

Transportation

Get to your wedding in style and make a lasting impression. Your wedding calls for special transportation; after all when you are rolling to cloud nine who wants to stop for a roadside garage for last minute car repairs. It is customary for the bride and her father to ride to the ceremony site together on the wedding day. You may also include some or all members of your wedding party. Normally, a wedding procession to the church begins with the bride's mother and several of the bride's attendants in the first vehicle. If desired, you can provide a second vehicle for the rest of the attendants. The bride and her father will go in the last vehicle, which will ultimately be used to transport the bride and groom to the reception site after the ceremony.

Things to consider:

When looking for a car for your wedding day, do not underestimate the capacity of the vehicle. Consider things like large wedding gowns, formal wear and perhaps a hefty person in your group, you may have to look for one with more space and accommodation.

You'd be better off hiring one from a company that owns its own cars because then, the car is likely to be well maintained. Though getting cars from a friend and relatives is a very cost effective alternative, it would mean taking extreme care of the vehicle! Verify their license and insurance coverage. If you are also getting chauffeurs from the same company, ensure that they are professional and punctual. Keep in mind that most hired vintage cars are available to you for only 3 hours at most, so please arrange for post wedding transportation. To avoid extra changes get a contract.

Transportation for your guests:

This definitely is the least romantic part of organising a wedding. Be warned though, when something goes wrong, for example someone fails to turn up when they are needed, that is when

the importance of transport will become obvious to you.

Suppliers should provide their own transport and add it in their fee. The only suppliers who sometimes need to be catered for are videographers and photographers. Reason being it minimises the risk of them getting lost or following the wrong wedding. (It has happened!)

When planning for transportation, consider the location of your ceremony, reception and location of your guests, and then find the best way to get everyone from one point to another.

Consider how to get your out of town guests into town and then to the wedding site. If you have guests from overseas get their arrival information in advance and arrange to meet them at the airport or arrange with a professional car service company or family and friend to pick them.

Make a map to the reception and give a name of trustworthy person the guests can call in case they are lost.

The simplest way especially if you have many out of town guests and it is a long drive to the ceremony and parking is scarce, is to hire one of the commercial buses or even matatus. It makes life easier and relieves you of the stress.

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