



Top 5 tips from your wedding photographer

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The time running up to the long planned and much budgeted big day can be a fun but sometimes confusing time, especially when couples have full time jobs and already busy lives.

When it comes to wedding photography, we hope answering the popular questions below will help organize your priorities and help you focus on what matters the most for you.

We absolutely love what we do and are proud to share our work with the world, you can see for yourself here: www.spotyphoto.com



1. How far in advance would you recommend couples booking their wedding photographer?

Once you said yes, and booked your dream venue it's a good idea to start looking around for your other wedding suppliers.

If your big day is anytime between May and September and you want to make sure your favourite wedding photographer is free on your big day, try to book them at 12 months before.

For dates outside the peak of the wedding season or if your wedding is on a weekday, you will find there is a lot more flexibility around booking dates – we often get booked 3-4 months before the wedding date during these months.



2. How can I find the perfect wedding photographer for me?

Like in any personal or professional relationship, good communication is key so it's always a good idea to speak to your wedding photographer before booking them.

No matter how big or small, traditional or super trendy you plan your wedding to be, you'll want your photos to match your personalities and capture the atmosphere key moments of the day.

There is a huge pool of amazing and talented wedding photographers out there, with different styles and price ranges and that's why good research is key to finding the right photographer for you.

We always try to sit down and have a nice long chat with our couples before taking a booking, to make sure we understand their requirements and make them feel comfortable around us.

Our style is mostly natural and focused on catching the moment, but we also like to make good use of our technical skills and advice all our couples to have a portraits session when the light is most spectacular.

One of the things you don't realize when you're planning your wedding and selecting suppliers is that your photography and or videography team will gravitate around you during the entire day so it's very important that you feel comfortable around them and enjoy having them there.

Also, feel free to ask to see full sets of wedding photos so you'll know what to expect and communicate any special requests before your big day so you can get your photography team's opinion on how to achieve your goals.



3. How much should couples budget for a photographer? And is there a standard deposit for most businesses?

Talking about money is a big thing when planning a wedding and it's not always the most comfortable subject.

There is a lot of online advice on how to budget for wedding photography, but we like to shake things up when it comes to approach and suggest you start by finding the style of photography you are happy with.

Once you found a few photographers whose style you like, start looking at the prices and decide how much you're happy and comfortable to pay for your wedding photography.



4. What happens if the weather isn't as expected?

There are many things you can control when it comes to wedding planning, but the UK weather is famous for being an unpredictable wedding guest.

Our philosophy around this is that no matter what the weather is like on your wedding day, you'll have fun on the day and we'll be there to capture it.

Rain can be the backdrop for some truly epic wedding photos, but if you'll be wearing makeup you might want to go for the waterproof mascara.

No matter how the weather turns out to be on your wedding day and even if not all goes according to plan, the most important advice we can give our couples is to go with the flow and have fun, don't forget to enjoy your long planned special day.



5. How many photographers should there be on the day? Is more than one recommended?

Most wedding photographers out there will offer you the option to add a second shooter for the day, subject to an additional fee.

We believe having two photographers makes sense as they will be able to focus on different things taking place at the same time, for example the getting ready, the couple vs the guests during the civil or religious ceremony, etc.