

# SAMPLE TIMELINE

*Sample Timeline for 8 Hours of Coverage with No First Look*

## *Bridal Details* 3:00-3:45

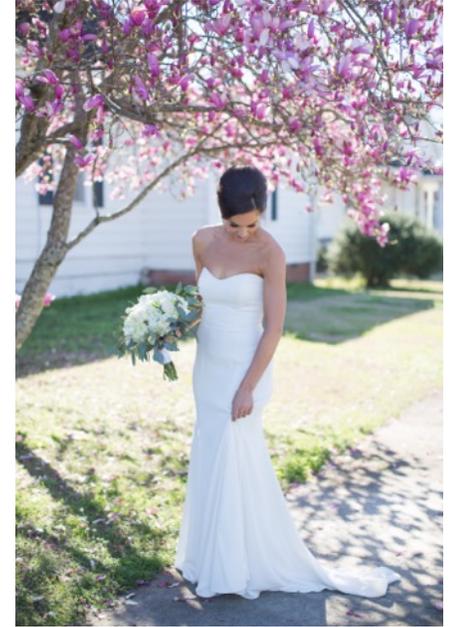


Every bride loves having those beautiful shots of her bridal details. It's an important part of the story and I love having some time to shoot the dress, shoes, jewelry, invitations, etc. These shots allow me to get warmed up for the rest of the big day. I normally like to allow at least 45 minutes for this part of the day. While I'm shooting details, I'm also capturing some shots of the bride and her girls getting ready! If the groom is getting ready nearby, I will also try to get a few shots of them getting dressed too!

After the details have been photographed, it's time for the bride to get into her dress! This is a big moment! I usually ask the mother of the bride and all of the bridesmaids to be dressed by the time the bride is ready to get into her dress. This ensures that everyone will look nice in those images. After the bride is in her gown, she can put on her jewelry, veil, shoes, etc. and I will shoot some additional bridal portraits!



## *3:45-4:15* *Bridal Prep*



## *Bride & Bridesmaids* *Portraits* 4:30-5:00



It is now time for a quick Bridal Shoot and photos with the Bridesmaids. I like to schedule this time to allow Brides to have a "mini" Bridal Shoot before the ceremony. This allows you to have extra portraits taken of you in your beautiful gown! Don't worry about sweating because afterwards, you will have plenty of time to freshen up and relax before the ceremony.

## *Groom/Groomsmen Portraits*

*5:00-5:30*



After photographing the bride and bridesmaids, now will be the time for the Groom and Groomsmen to have their portraits taken. I will start with the Groom & Groomsmen together and end with Formal Groom Portraits.

*Tip: Have someone put the boutonnieres on the guys BEFORE their actual portrait time.*



## *Bride in Hiding 5:30-6:00*

After the Bride and Bridesmaids portraits are complete, the bride will go into hiding so that early guests won't sneak a peek, and ushers will begin their duties.



## *Reception Details*

*5:30-5:50*



If the reception is in the same location as the ceremony, I will use this time to shoot the reception decor **UNTOUCHED**. I like shooting the reception decor before guests start laying down purses and coats on their seats!



It's time to get married!! Most ceremonies are 15-30 minutes long. If your ceremony is longer than 30 minutes, adjustments will be made to the timeline! Cherish these moments! Your ceremony

## *Ceremony*

*6:00-6:30*



## *Family Portraits*

*6:40-7:10*

Family formals normally take place immediately following the ceremony. If you are having a first look, you have the option of having family formals taken before the ceremony.



We will need about 30 minutes for family formals. I will send a questionnaire before the wedding where you can list out the shots that you want. I do recommend shooting portraits outdoors if possible so that they resemble more natural family portraits, especially if the ceremony location is dark!

## *Bride & Groom Portraits*

7:15-7:45



1.5-2 hours before sunset is the BEST time of day for portraits! This is when the sun has a nice glow and is golden. I love having at least 30 minutes with the bride and groom to take portraits right after family formals!

This is when the bridal party lines up for introductions and the party begins!! By this part of the day, my timeline isn't as strict. Depending on your coverage time, it is best to plan your main reception events that you would like photographed (cake cutting, bouquet & garter toss, etc.) before the partying and dancing begins. This is highly recommended for 6-8 hour coverage time.



## *Reception Begins!*

### APPOXIMATE TIMES:

DETAILS & PREP : 1 - 1.5 HOURS

FIRST LOOK & PORTRAITS : 30 - 40 MINS

BRIDAL PARTY : 30 MINS

FAMILY FORMALS: 30 MINS



## *10:30 The Exit*



If you're interested in having your exit photographed, there are several options for this! Make sure you plan your exit BEFORE all your guest leave. Also, if you have run out of coverage time, you can either add additional coverage or plan a faux exit with just your bridal party!