

## Bridal Gown Timeline

### *Twelve Months*

Allocate a proportion of your wedding budget to your gown, approximately 10% of your total budget. Consider your overall wedding theme ie; formal, traditional, modern or themed, as this will determine what style of gown you choose. Browse through lots of magazines and visit many bridal boutiques to get ideas on styles you like. The Internet is a great resource for viewing gowns and in the privacy of your own home. Giving you the opportunity to view them at your leisure as well as having the benefit of viewing bridal fashions from all over the world.

### *Six-Nine Months*

Make appointments with your favourite designers/bridal shops to try on different gown styles. Make your choice, order and pay a deposit. Ask if you can have a material sample of your bridal gown to source your accessories, shoes and lingerie.

### *Four-Six Months*

First fitting - Very Important - take along your bridal shoes and wedding day undergarment to get correct fitting and hem length.

### *One Month*

Your final fitting - take along everything you will be wearing on the day; shoes, tiara, veil, headpiece & lingerie.

### *One Week*

Take your gown home. Place some padding (eg-tissue paper) in the bodice to help keep the shape. Hang the gown where it will not be in the way or touch the floor, and where people cannot see it. If you have a train lay it out flat on a clean white sheet.

