



Sample Timeline 1 : 5:30 PM Ceremony – With First Look (After Daylight Savings, Sunset Around 8 PM)

TIME	WEDDING DAY
01:30 PM	I arrive and begin photographing details and getting-ready moments
02:30 PM	Bride in dress
03:15 PM	First Look and couple portraits
04:00 PM	Bridal party portraits
05:00 PM	Bride tucked away before ceremony (I'll photograph reception details if nearby)
05:30 PM	Ceremony
06:00 PM	Family formals
06:30 PM	A few extra newlywed portraits if the light is soft (otherwise, cocktail hour!)
07:00 PM	Introductions into reception
07:30 PM	Sunset portraits (15–20 minutes) during dinner
09:30 PM	Coverage ends

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Sample Timeline 2 : 5:30 PM Ceremony – Without First Look (After Daylight Savings, Sunset Around 8 PM)

TIME	WEDDING DAY
03:00 PM	I arrive and begin photographing details and getting-ready moments
04:00 PM	Bride in dress
04:30 PM	Bridesmaid and groomsmen portraits (separately, if possible)
05:00 PM	Bride tucked away before ceremony (I'll photograph reception details if nearby)
05:30 PM	Ceremony
06:00 PM	Family formals (limited amount due to daylight)
06:30 PM	Bridal party portraits
06:50 PM	Couple portraits (20 minutes before sunset)
07:00 PM	Introductions into reception
07:30 PM	Sunset portraits (15–20 minutes) during dinner
09:30 PM	Coverage ends

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General Guidelines for a Peaceful Timeline

To capture your day with care and intention, it helps to set aside dedicated time for each portion of the day. Of course, no wedding ever follows a perfect schedule, and that's completely okay! If things shift, I'll adjust as needed and make the most of every moment.

Here's a quick breakdown of what works best:

- Grooms Details — 30–45 minutes
 - I'll start with details that help tell your story: rings, tie, watch, cufflinks, and small meaningful pieces. I'll also capture a few candid getting-ready moments while I'm nearby.
- Bridal Details — 30–45 minutes
 - I'll start with details that help tell your story: rings, dress, flowers, invitation suite, and small meaningful pieces. I'll also capture a few candid getting-ready moments while I'm nearby.
- Getting in the Dress — 30–45 minutes
 - This part can move quickly or take a little time. Building in some margin here keeps things calm. Once you're ready, I'll capture a few quiet portraits before we move on.
- Bridal Party Portraits — 20–30 minutes
 - Timing depends on your group size. I'll capture the full bridal party, smaller groupings, and individual portraits in a way that feels natural and fun.
- Bride & Groom Portraits — ideally 30 minutes before and 30 minutes after the ceremony
 - I love splitting portrait time into two parts: one earlier in the day when everything feels fresh, and one after the ceremony when the light is golden and soft. If you're not doing a First Look, I recommend setting aside at least 30 minutes post-ceremony for portraits of just the two of you.
- Family Formals — around 30 minutes
 - Family portraits are important and I'll guide everyone through them kindly and efficiently. If time gets tight, we can always capture larger groups later during the reception.
- Reception Details — 10–20 minutes
 - If possible, I love having a few quiet minutes to photograph your décor and atmosphere before guests enter the space. It's such a sweet way to remember how everything looked before the celebration began.

These timeframes are flexible and meant to help you create a day that feels real, relaxed, and fully yours. Together, we'll build a flow that allows for both meaningful moments and beautiful light.

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