

Booking the Ceremony Site Checklist

- Choose your site and officiant and confirm in writing; include your wedding date and time.
- If you'll need to rent anything, contact a rental company (your florist may be able to supply some of the following):
 - Ceremony chairs # _____
 - Huppah
 - Columns or arch to delineate the place where you'll say your vows
 - Candelabra
 - Wire stands for flowers
- Research ceremony readings and religious or ethnic ceremony customs or traditions; set up a second meeting to discuss these with your officiant.
- Ask officiant for a copy of his or her standard ceremony so that you can make changes to suit you (if allowed).
- If prewedding counseling is required, schedule and go:

Date(s) and time(s) to meet with officiant: _____

Date(s) and other pertinent info about group meetings and/or weekends away:

- Finalize overall structure and elements of ceremony (readings, lighting candles, special rituals) as well as who will participate in each.
- Determine which of the following ceremony items you will need; start shopping or make arrangements to have them made:
 - Ketubah or other marriage contract (e.g., Quaker)
 - Yarmulkes
 - Unity candle
 - Aisle runner
 - Ring pillow
 - Other elements (crowns for a Greek Orthodox ceremony, broom for an Afrocentric ceremony)

- If you'll write your own vows, start working on them together at least two months before the wedding; consult your officiant if you need help.