

Wedding timeline with a first look

Date: July 22, 2026

Timeline

09:30 – 11:30 Morning Preparation and Hair & Makeup

The bridal party gathers for hair and makeup styling while enjoying light breakfast snacks and refreshments. Photographers capture candid moments and detail shots of dresses, suits, and invitations.

Location: Bridal Suite, The Grand Oak Manor

11:30 – 12:30 Getting Dressed and Final Touches

The couple puts on their wedding attire with assistance from close family and friends. Final touch-ups are completed before stepping out for the reveal.

Location: Bridal Suite, The Grand Oak Manor

12:30 – 13:30 Private First Look & Couple Portraits

The couple sees each other for the first time in an intimate, private setting. Following the emotional reveal, the photographer leads a romantic portrait session around the gardens.

Location: Rose Garden, The Grand Oak Manor

13:30 – 14:15 Wedding Party Portraits

Bridesmaids, groomsmen, and honor attendants join the couple for full group photos and fun bridal party portraits across the venue grounds.

Location: Estate Grounds, The Grand Oak Manor

14:15 – 15:00 Family Formal Portraits

Immediate and extended family members assemble for organized formal portraits. Completing these early ensures family members can fully enjoy cocktail hour later.

Location: Lower Courtyard, The Grand Oak Manor

15:00 – 15:30 Pre-Ceremony Refresh & Guest Arrival

The wedding party relaxes in private suites as guests begin arriving and taking their seats.

Background music plays while pre-ceremony drinks are served.

Location: Ceremony Lawn, The Grand Oak Manor

15:30 – 16:00 Wedding Ceremony

The couple exchanges vows and rings in an outdoor ceremony surrounded by family and friends.

The service concludes with the official kiss and pronouncement.

Location: Ceremony Lawn, The Grand Oak Manor

16:00 – 17:00 Cocktail Hour

Guests transition directly to the patio to enjoy signature cocktails, wine, and tray-passed hors d'oeuvres. Because portraits were completed earlier, the newlyweds join the party immediately.

Location: Stone Patio, The Grand Oak Manor

17:00 – 18:30 Grand Entrance & Dinner Service

Guests move inside for the couple's grand entrance, followed by a multi-course dinner service. Background acoustic music sets a warm and welcoming tone.

Location: Main Ballroom, The Grand Oak Manor

18:30 – 19:00 Speeches & Toasts

Maid of honor, best man, and parents share heartfelt speeches and offer celebratory toasts to the newlyweds.

Location: Main Ballroom, The Grand Oak Manor

19:00 – 19:30 Cake Cutting & Dessert

The newlyweds slice their wedding cake together, after which a full dessert station opens for guests.

Location: Main Ballroom, The Grand Oak Manor

19:30 – 21:30 First Dances & Open Dancing

The couple takes the floor for their first dance, followed by parent dances, before the live DJ opens up the floor for everyone to celebrate.

Location: Main Ballroom, The Grand Oak Manor

21:30 – 22:00 Grand Sparkler Send-Off

Guests line the driveway holding lit sparklers to cheer on the newlyweds as they make their memorable final exit from the venue.

Location: Front Archway, The Grand Oak Manor