

What to Wear to a Summer Wedding



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Spring has arrived, and along with it comes prime wedding Season! If you have a relative or friend getting married this summer (and you didn't get called to bridesmaid duty), you may be wondering what appropriate attire might be. How can you dress to impress while still embracing the summer style? While the rules vary, here are some great ideas for three common types of weddings: Formal, Semi-Formal, and Casual/Beach.

Formal: Formal, or black-tie, affairs typically call for full-length dresses. Channel your inner goddess with a color block maxi paired with a headband and silver bangles. Mint green is

a hot trend, and pairing this hue with an emerald jewel tone make it ideal for day or night. Wear your hair down, or stun with a low, loose bun. A small black clutch is a perfect complement, holding all of your night's necessities.

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Semi-Formal: Semi-formal weddings are often harder to decipher. It's always better to be more dressed up than underdressed, so opt for a flirty cocktail dress. A chiffon dress with bright-colored accessories will always hit the mark. Nails are another great accessory – and they often go overlooked. Choose a pair of neutral peep toe heels and perfectly pedicured toes for an added pop of color.

Casual/Beach: If the event calls for casual attire, such as a beach wedding, choose a feminine sundress. This is a perfect opportunity to sport a trendy print such as florals. Dress it up with a pair of adorable wedges, or dress it down with a pair of flat sandals. A peachy cheek and a cute, pastel bag complete the look.

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When choosing a color of dress, consider when the wedding will take place. If the event is during the day, opt for lighter colors. Remember that while you want to look your best, this is the bride's day. Out of courtesy, stay away from ivory, or all-white dresses. If the event is taking place in the evening, consider darker, jewel tone frocks. Follow these tips and you can't go wrong. Who knows, you may just end up meeting your future husband – possibly a groomsman?

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