

Elizabeth Smart Ties the Knot in Hawaii 9 Years After Kidnapping



☒ Kidnap victim Elizabeth Smart has beaten the odds once again— this time by planning a wedding in record time. Smart, 24, and Matthew Gilmour, 22, were married Saturday afternoon in Hawaii, reports [People](#). The couple have been dating for over a year and were engaged just last month. Smart originally planned on having a summer wedding, but changed the date only two weeks ago. “It’s everything you can imagine with planning a wedding,” said Smart. “Only, it’s compressed into a few days.”

How do you plan a wedding quickly?

Cupid’s Advice:

Though nearly all weddings take months of planning, it’s possible to plan a wedding in a short time span. Here are a few ways to plan a wedding quickly:

- 1. Stay local:** Picking a local venue will make the planning process much simpler. More of your friends will be able to attend, and there will be less hassle with furnishings, transportation and last-minute changes.
- 2. Simplify your choices:** Instead of going through every possibility, try limiting your options. Visit two cake bakeries instead of three or try on five dresses instead of ten. Your choices will be easier to make, and you will spend less time searching for alternatives.
- 3. Wedding planner:** If you have the means, a wedding planner

can take a huge load off of your shoulders. Pick a wedding planner that knows you're on a tight deadline and have them do the majority of your work for you.

How long did it take you to plan your wedding? Feel free to leave a comment below.