

Kelly Clarkson and Brandon Blackstock Plan to Elope



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It looks like Kelly Clarkson and Brandon Blackstock's original wedding plans are a no-go. The two lovebirds are now planning to elope. "We are so busy that we finally just came to terms the other night and were like, 'So, we change our minds and we want to elope.'" Clarkson told [People](#). "We just got so overwhelmed by it – all the decisions." The couple sent friends and family their engagement photo, thanked them for understanding and told them that they were, instead, going to marry with only a minister and Brandon's two children present.

What are the advantages of eloping versus planning a wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

Elopement has a bit of a bad reputation. Many associate it with spontaneous decision-making and Elvis impersonator officiants in Vegas. In truth, however, eloping is very often a preferable and wiser alternative to the more tradition "big white wedding." What are the advantages of elopement? Cupid has a few for you to consider:

1. Lower cost: Weddings can be expensive. Very expensive. Money may not be everything in life, but cost is a serious consideration when planning your wedding. While no one likes to use the word "cheap" in regard to their nuptials, elopement is an inexpensive alternative to the debt racking weddings that are more mainstream.

2. Stress: It's quite heartbreaking when you consider how stressful and unpleasant wedding planning is for so many people. What ought to be a joyful process dissolves into one long panic attack. Elopement is a simpler, albeit much less elaborate, option.

3. Minimal guest list: Do you invite Aunt Cecilia *and* Uncle Seymour even though they haven't spoken since 1994? Is your old college roommate worth inviting? The beauty of eloping is that you don't have to host *any* of these folks. People typically understand that only one or two witnesses are appropriate for an elopement. Problem solved.

How did your elopement go? Tell us below.