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Wedding Jargon Buster

Act of God: A legal term within a contract that exempts a wedding supplier in the event of a natural disaster

Best Man: Usually the groom's best mate. The guy who plans the stag do and keeps hold of the wedding bands on the big day.

Buttonhole: Also called a boutonniere, it's typically the flower that the blokes wear on the lapel.

Cathedral & Chapel: Two types of veil lengths.

Corkage: The fee you pay for your caterer or reception venue to open bottles of wine.

Engagement Party: The gathering of all your friends and family to congratulate you and gawk at the ring.

Engagement Ring: Traditionally given at the time of the proposal to the bride-to-be.

Favour: The gift you give your guests at the wedding breakfast.

Honeymoon: The hols the newlyweds take after their big day.

Jordan Almonds: Sweet, sugar-coated almonds used as favours.

Macarons: Expensive and posh French biscuits used as favours or in place of traditional cake.

Pomander: Flower ball toted down the aisle by the flower girl.

Save the Dates: Cards sent before your invitations to warn people to keep the date of your wedding free.

Tablescape: The layout on the tables at your wedding breakfast.

Toastmater: Responsible for managing your guests and giving direction.

Top Table: Where the wedding party sits at the wedding breakfast.

Venue Licence: Necessary for a venue to host your wedding.

Vows: Promises you make to your spouse.

Wedding Breakfast: The time between the ceremony and the reception.

Wedding Insurance: Necessary and important. Get some.