

Wedding Customs



What is a wedding?



What is the difference between a civil and religious wedding?



What participants of the wedding do you know?



The best man (kidnapper)



**MAID OF
HONOR**

Vs.

**MATRON OF
HONOR**

Unmarried
best friend
or sister of
the bride

Married best
friend or
close
relative of
the bride.

Bridesmaids and Groomsmen



(anc greece)



Groomsmen shaves the groom



(greece)

Flower girl



Ring Bearer



Chauffeur



Usher

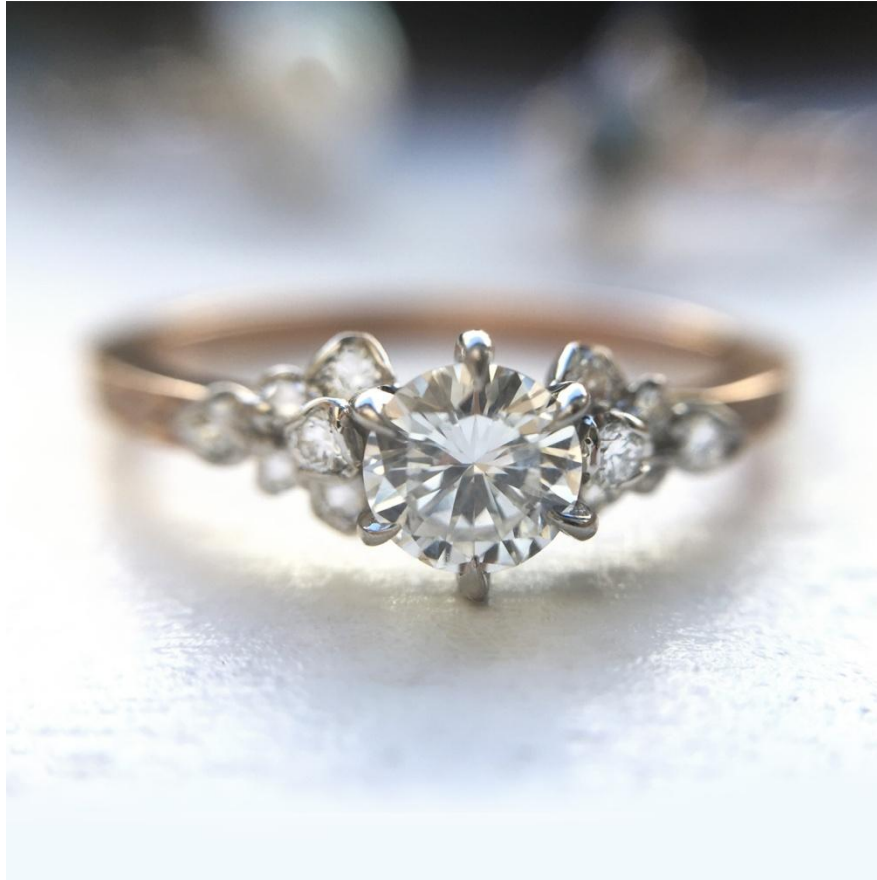


What typical symbols of wedding do you know?



Preparations

Engagement rings, (Pope Innocent 1214)



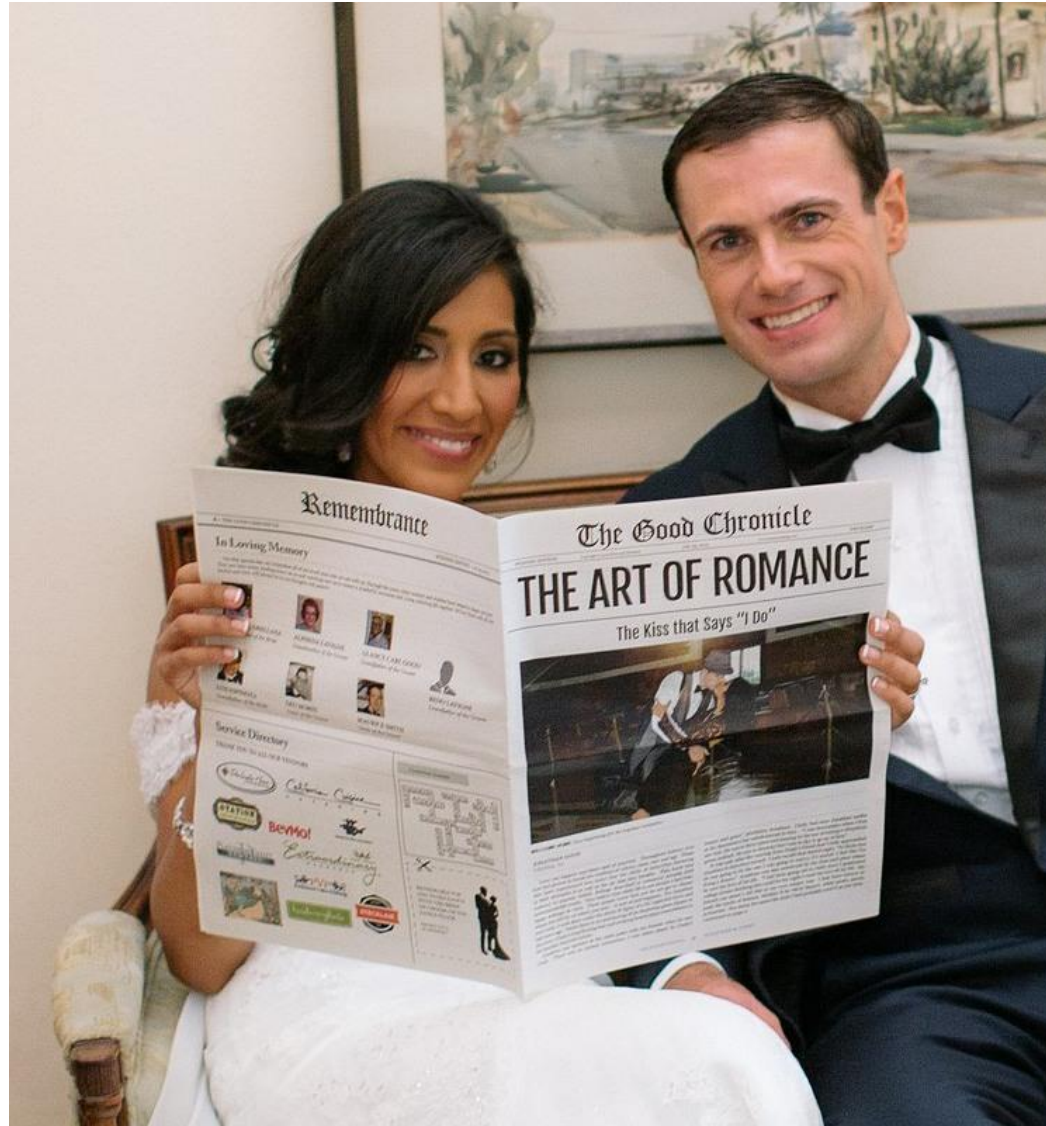
Dowry



Marriage Banns (1215, catholic)



Wedding Newspaper



Groom shouldn't see the bride



Wooden Spoon Wooing ^(sc)



Fir tree cone pies



Ransoming the bride (until marriage act 1753)



Buy out (rus)



Milk Bath (Morocco)



Burying the Bourbon



Blackening (Scotland)



Stag night (sparta)



Hen Party (1970s, greek proaulia)



Ancient Greece

Proaulia

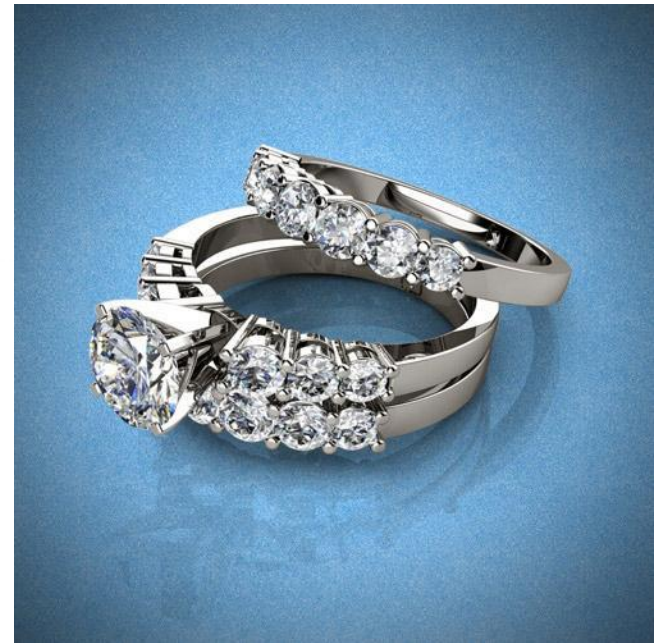
-woman spends her time with family and female friends, sacrifices her toys to Artemis (goddess of Virginity)

Marrying a tree (india)



Wedding Day

Wedding Ring (venice 15)



Wedding Vows



Wedding bouquet



Wedding Garter



White Wedding Dress (victoria, 19)



Black Wedding Dress (Scandinavia)



Red Wedding Dress (eastern europe, asia)



Wedding dress cranes



Wedding Veil (anc greece)



Horns of Jealousy



Wedding Cross-dressing (denmark)



Wedding March – Mendelssohn 1842

Wagner's "Bridal Chorus" 1858



Bride stands to the left



Broom jump (afr usa, xix)



Wedding Candles



Handfasting (Scandinavia)



Releasing doves



Carry the bride over threshold



Wedding Bread



Wedding rice



Wedding Wishing Tree



Unity Bowl (Australia)



Wooden Geese (korea)



Shooting the Bride (china)



No Smiles at the wedding

(kongo)



Coin in the shoe (Celtic)



Paid dances with a bride



Wedding contests



Ice Hill (rus)



Kiss Bait (sweden)



Planting a tree (Holland)



Log Cutting (Germany)



Tearing the bridal dress



Stealing a shoe



Polterabend (germany)



Wedding Cake (anc rome, cake kissing game)



Cake Pull



Kransekake (norway)



A Groom's Cake



Aftermath

Charivari/Katzenmusik



Délicieux Toilette La Soupe



Honeymoon

