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WEDDING STATIONERY FROM THE STUDIO SYDNEY

Congratulations

on your forthcoming Marriage

For more than 35 years Copy Cat Printing Rose Bay has been dedicated to the art of printing beautiful bespoke Wedding Stationery and providing personalised services to its clients. Each invitation is designed to be unique. Our experienced staff can suggest the options that will provide you with the best possible wedding stationery. Some of the printing techniques we use include, engraving, letterpress, lithography, foiling and raised printing

Invitations

Invitations are the first items to go out informing your guests when and where the happy event will be held. It is the first taste of what is to come, and it should reflect the theme or feel of the wedding ceremony and celebration you are about to create. Envelopes are supplied with each invitation.

Response Cards

Enclosed with all invitations, these are becoming essential to the planning of large weddings, especially if caterers are involved. These cards enable the family planning the wedding to know how many will be attending, and if any guest special dietary requirements (ie. vegetarian).

Bridal Shower Invitations

Used to invite selected guests to a party organized by a close friend or bridal party member.

Thank You Cards

A short note of appreciation may be written on an informal or specially designed thank you note. A thank you note is the last memento your guest will receive and forms a lasting impression.

Place Cards

A convenient method to organise seating arrangements for the wedding reception. Names may be written out in full or simply given names may be used, this depends on the formality of your wedding.

Menus, Hymn Sheets and Order of Service.

We can also provide you with any additional stationery in keeping with your chosen theme.

Save the Date

'Save The Date' cards are ideal for those couples whose wedding day may still be a long way off. By sending family and friends these cards, you can ensure that everyone knows to keep your special date free.

Wedding Announcements

For those that were unable to attend or you were unable to invite. A personal note that enables them to feel a part of your special day.

Address Cards & Personalised Stationery

'Address Cards' are ideal for those couples who may wish to notify everyone of their new residence and contact details following the happy occasion. We can also provide you with stylish personalised stationery to enable you to share your thoughts and feelings with friends and family.

How to decide?

Make an appointment and look through our portfolio Wedding Invitations and we will assist in making your Wedding Day an unforgettable success.

Wed'iquette

How do I decide who to invite to my wedding?

You should sit down long beforehand with both parties involved and get some ground rules established. All the factors need to be discussed; from family size, to geography, to who is paying for the wedding - get it all out in the open. It's then you have a basis to work from.

We've got too many people on the list - How can I possibly cut back?

The first thing to realise is that guests make the wedding. Better to cut down on the extravagance of the food and wines that are served than to limit the people who deserve to be there.

The one group you must take care of are immediate family members. Weddings are supposed to be a time of joy and that starts with inviting those near and dear to the bridal couple.

Should I order extra wedding invitations?

You should always order more invitations than you think you will need. You never know, you might want to add some guests after the first invitations go out and you will definitely discover people you have forgotten to include. Order more, and avoid costly re-prints!

When and to whom should I send Wedding Announcements?

Wedding announcements are sent to everybody who can't make the wedding. Everyone you wanted to invite to the wedding and couldn't.

They are mailed the day of the marriage, but after the ceremony. You have to be superstitious about it, never mail them before. Have somebody there, a bridesmaid or usher to slip out after the ceremony or during the reception and put them in the mailbox. People love to see the date of the wedding on the envelope.

When should the invitations be mailed out?

We believe 8 weeks before to allow for any delays in the post.

We're having a no-children policy at our wedding.

How do I address this situation on the invitation?

You don't address this on the actual invitation. No - it is not considered polite - just make a few telephone calls and tell others to spread the word, and they will. Alternatively, this issue can be addressed on an information sheet which may also provide details on how to get to the reception.

What should I consider concerning addressing my envelopes?

Do they need to be calligraphy? Are labels terrible?

Labels can now be digitally printed on to clear stock and can provide a cost effective alternative to handwriting. Weddings are one time special events and everything should be done by hand. Even if you can only get a high school student, it doesn't matter, it just has to be handwritten.

What information should be included on a wedding or marriage announcement?

George Harrison and Barbara Smith, if she's keeping her name, or Mr. and Mrs. George Harrison announce, you can say "announce the happy news of their nuptials" or "We are happy to announce that on January 1, 2002 we were married at the St Mary's Church, Waverley, Sydney", then down below that, new residence and new telephone number. Or you can just make it as personal as you want to and just say, "We finally did it. We did it in a little church that we know and love".

Will my wedding guests know where to send gifts?

You can put an address on the wedding invitation "at home after June 3rd" or you can just show it on the return address. So you say, "at home after January 20th" on the invitation or on a separate At Home Card. If the wedding is on December 20th, and you put your parent's address as the return address they will get the RSVP's and the early wedding gifts. Some guests will wait until you're back and you're in residence and send your wedding presents then, which isn't a bad idea either. Many different situations can be addressed with the use of an At Home Card or personalised stationery.

Before The Wedding Day:

- Bridal Tea Invitations** **12 + weeks prior to wedding** - Please allow 2 working days for artwork and 2 weeks from sign off for printing.
- Save the Date** **12 + weeks prior to wedding** - Please allow 2 working days for artwork and allow 2 weeks from sign off for printing.
- Calligraphy Invitations** **12 weeks prior to your wedding day** - Allow up to 5 working days to finalise artwork and 2 weeks after sign off for printing. Additional 2 weeks for calligraphy.
Your guest list will need to have been finalised at 10 weeks to allow an additional 2 weeks for the calligraphy to be carried out.
- Invitations & Acceptance Cards** **10 weeks prior to your wedding day** - Allow up to 5 working days to finalise artwork and 2 weeks after sign off for printing.
- Information Sheets** **10 weeks prior to your wedding day** - Allow up to 5 working days to finalise artwork and 2 weeks after sign off for printing.
- Place Cards** **6 weeks prior to your wedding day** - Allow 2 weeks from sign off for printing and an additional 2 weeks for calligraphy. (The RSVP date needs to be at least 3 weeks prior to the wedding date)
- Order of Service, Menus**
- Hymn Sheets** **3-6 weeks prior to your wedding day** - Allow up to 5 working days to finalise artwork and 2 weeks after sign off for printing.
- Marriage Announcement** **3 weeks prior to your wedding day** - Allow up to 5 working days to finalise artwork and 2 weeks after sign off for printing. Marriage Announcements should be mailed on the day or as close to as possible.

After Wedding Day:

- Thank You Cards** Allow up to 2 working days to finalise artwork and 2 weeks after sign off for printing. Thank You cards should be mailed on return from your honeymoon.
- Personalised Stationery**
- Address Cards** Allow up to 2 working days to finalise artwork and 1 week after sign off for printing.