

# CONGRATULATIONS

## Perks Of Being A Charlotte's Bride

*Private Facebook Group*  
*Invites to Private Events*  
*Educational Seminars*  
*Special Promotions*  
*Featured Bride Opportunities*  
*Bridal Party Exclusive Offers*  
*Entry Fee Promos to Bridal Shows*  
*Special Pricing on Steam & Press and*  
*Gown Preservation*



# LET'S GET SOCIAL

**N**ow that you have purchased your gown, it's time to let your friends and family know that you are a Charlotte's Bride!!

## WHERE CAN YOU FIND US AND HOW DO YOU SHARE?

- Join our Charlotte's Facebook Page **CharlottesBridePDX**
- Tag us in your Say Yes to the Dress pics and give a SHOUT OUT to your Stylist
- Refer your newly engaged friends and family to Charlotte's
- Post and Tag us in your wedding gown photos to be a featured bride on our website
- Let other brides know how amazing your experience was at Charlotte's so they can see how magical it can be!

HELP FUTURE BRIDES SAY YES TO THE DRESS AT CHARLOTTE'S  
BY LEAVING US A **5 STAR REVIEW** ON THE FOLLOWING SITES:

GOOGLE  
THE KNOT  
FACEBOOK  
WEDDING WIRE

# BRIDAL ATTIRE CHECKLIST AND TIMELINE

## **EIGHT TO TWELVE MONTHS BEFORE WEDDING**

- Find and order your perfect gown
- Start to look at bridesmaid gowns and mother of the bride gowns

## **FOUR TO FIVE MONTHS BEFORE WEDDING**

- Order bridesmaid gowns
- Book an appointment with seamstress for wedding gown alterations

## **THREE TO FOUR MONTHS BEFORE WEDDING**

- Order veil and accessories
- Choose and order bra and petticoat
- Order shoes

## **TWO TO THREE MONTHS BEFORE WEDDING**

- Once you have received a call that your gown has arrived, setup an appointment to try it on
- Book an appointment with seamstress for bridesmaid dress alterations  
Order flower girl dresses

## **ONE TO TWO MONTHS BEFORE WEDDING**

- Have wedding gown and bridesmaid gowns altered
- Set up an appointment with Charlotte's to have gowns pressed
- Finalize men's formal wear – Tuxedo rentals

## **TWO WEEKS BEFORE WEDDING**

- Drop gowns off for pressing at Charlotte's

## **WEEK OF WEDDING**

- Pick up pressed wedding gown on scheduled date
- Pick up tuxedo rentals
- Relax and enjoy this exciting week!

## **AFTER THE WEDDING**

- Drop wedding gown off at Charlotte's Weddings for gown preservation
- Send photos of your wedding to become a Charlotte's featured bride

# WEDDING PARTY

**O**nce the wedding gown has been chosen it's time to start coordinating your wedding party. Let us help you create that perfect bridal party look.

## **BRIDESMAIDS**

We REQUIRE appointments to try on bridesmaid gowns. Reach out to your stylist to book an appointment for your entire bridal party.

We suggest ordering 4-5 months in advance of the wedding.

If your time frame is less than 4 months, we offer a rush on most bridesmaid dresses (speak to a stylist for details).

A signed contract and payment in full is required on each gown before ordering.

Please have professional measurements taken and try on sample sizes from your gown designer. Review the size chart and let a professional assist in sizing.

There is an additional shipping/insurance fee included in each gown ordered.

We can ship bridesmaid dresses to your out-of-town bridesmaids for an additional fee.

## **FLOWER GIRLS**

We suggest ordering 3-4 months before the wedding. Children change quickly so we want to order as close to the wedding as possible.

Please bring them in to get measured and try on a sample if possible to help with sizing. Call to schedule an appointment.

A signed contract and payment in full is required on each gown before ordering.

Visit our website at [CharlottesWeddings.com](http://CharlottesWeddings.com) under Wedding Party to see some of our current flower girl styles.

# ALTERATIONS

## CHARLOTTE'S RECOMMENDED SEAMSTRESS LIST

ROYAL THREAD

SEAMSTRESS: NADIA

E: ROYALTHREADNK@GMAIL.COM

P: 971-344-9562

*Meets clients at her studio in NE Portland*

ACUTE FIT

SEAMSTRESS: ROBIN

E: ROBIN@CISLANDERIMAGES.COM

P: 503-841-1311

*Meets clients at her studio in Tigard*

## ADDITIONAL SEAMSTRESSES RECOMMENDED VIA VENDORS/BRIDES

MY MOTHER'S LACE

SEAMSTRESS: JUDY GRAEPER

P: 503-939-5230

*Meets clients at her home studio in SW Portland*

SILHOUETTE TAILORING STUDIO

E: JULIAGAREY@GMAIL.COM

P: 503-493-9391

*Studio in NE Portland*

MARY'S ALTERATIONS

E: PERFECTFITBRIDAL@YAHOO.COM

P: 503-510-4552

*Located in Salem, OR*

ALTERATIONS BY HEATHER

E: ALTERATIONSBYHEATHER@YAHOO.COM

P: 503-839-9112

*Located in St. Helens, OR*

CUSTOM FIT BY MICHELLE

E: CUSTOMFITBYMICHELLE@HOTMAIL.COM

P: 503-491-5861

*Located in Gresham, OR*

FITTED STITCHES

SEAMSTRESS: KATHY

P: 503-440-6475

*Located in Astoria, OR*

## ALTERATION TIPS

- On average, standard wedding gown alterations cost approximately \$400-\$800. Customizations can cost more than the average. Cost will be dependent on the seamstress you are working with and the work needed to be done on your wedding gown.
- The ideal time frame for wedding alterations is approximately 2-3 months. It is recommended to start researching seamstresses and booking your fittings as soon as you have an estimated arrival time for your gown (provided by your stylist approximately 1-2 weeks after order date). ***Please schedule ASAP if you will have less than 2 months for alterations.***
- It is extremely important that you feel confident and comfortable with the seamstress you choose. Just as you trusted your stylist to help you find your perfect wedding gown, you must trust that your seamstress will help you achieve the perfect fit. When choosing who to work with, ask for the referrals from wedding professionals and your friends/family, read reviews, and discuss your desires and expectations with the seamstress before booking.
- Charlotte's is not responsible for any alteration conflicts/issues. If, for some reason, you are unhappy with your alterations please discuss this with your seamstress.

Cut 9.93" from the top

# ADDITIONAL SERVICES

**W**e know how stressful and time consuming it can be planning a wedding so we have additional services that we offer our customers so they can get everything done in one place.

## STEAM & PRESS

It's important to get your gown steamed and pressed before your wedding day. We conduct this service in house using a professional iron. We iron everything from the inside out so it's perfect for your wedding day. We place it on a bust form to help keep its shape and we do not place it in your garment bag until you have arrived to pick it up. We will show you how to place it in the bag, how to transport it, and what to do when you get to your destination.

*Drop off of gown(s) must be done NO LATER than one week prior to your pick up date and pressing must be paid in full at the time of drop off.*

Prices are as follows but please bring your gown in or call for a more accurate price quote. Price is determined by style of gown, fabric, difficulty, and time.

Wedding Gown Purchased at Charlotte's	<b>\$150 - \$300</b>
Wedding Gown NOT Purchased at Charlotte's	<b>\$200 - \$400</b>
Bridesmaid and FG	<b>\$40 per dress</b>
Veil	<b>\$15 - \$30</b>

## PRESERVATION

In order for your gown to keep it's shape, color, and the fabric looking new, we suggest you get your gown preserved after your wedding. Schedule an appointment to drop off your gown during business hours. We recommend dropping your gown off NO LATER than 6 months after your wedding to get preserved. We send your gown to the Wedding Gown Preservation Company. Once they have received your gown they will ship your dress to you within 8-12 weeks.

### **Cost for preservation:**

Charlotte's Bride ( <i>pricing if paid after wedding</i> )	<b>\$375</b>
Wedding Gown Not Purchased at Charlotte's	<b>\$425</b>

Additional items after besides your gown can be added for an additional fee.

For more details on the process - [GownPreservation.com](http://GownPreservation.com)

## SHIPPING

We do offer shipping for any item purchased at our store. We can help you ship your wedding gown or bridesmaid dresses anywhere in the U.S. Shipping costs change on a daily basis so you will need to call for a quote when you are ready to ship. NO International Shipping.