



Thinking about asking THE Question?

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Every girl dreams of her wedding proposal and getting married. She's been reading bridal magazines for years so she knows what ring she wants and whether it be a solitaire diamond or princess cut. She's dreamt of what you will say and where you will be when it happens. And now, she has chosen you to be the man of her dreams. It is all up to you to plan the perfect proposal that goes off without a hitch.

No pressure right?

Don't worry about a thing, I am here to assist.

Working in the wedding business I hear so many proposal stories. They range from romantic to silly to even death-defying. It all depends on your personalities and how you show your love to each other.

What we always forget about is all the stress and thought that goes into planning the perfect proposal. "Will you marry me" is the biggest question a man will ask in his life. He knows that his Bride will remember it for the rest of her life and the story will be repeated thousands of times, so he has to make it memorable.

There are so many different aspects involved in popping the question so I've listed a few things to consider for all you Grooms-to-be/nervous boyfriends out there.

The first thing to think about is where you are in your relationship. Many couples get caught up in the excitement and hype of the early stages in a relationship. They are tempted to make big decisions early on without fully testing the waters. I would suggest giving your relationship time to mature and develop into something you definitely know you want for the rest of your life.

Once you've tested the waters and know that it's the best decision for both of you, you want to begin thinking about how you will pop the question. Think about your Bride and what she would want. Think of incorporating some special memories you have or ask her the big question in the location of your first date. These are all unique things that make your proposal special and specific to her.

Many guys think that they will come up with the perfect words when they are down on one knee. Don't be fooled, as this is the time that every sweet word you may have thought to say will most likely flee your mind. Go into the proposal with a game plan but don't be afraid to go with the flow. Know why you love this beautiful girl and why you want to spend the rest of your life with her. Going into the proposal prepared will help you express your love exactly the way you want.

Once you've found the love of your life, planned your special and unique proposal, it's now time to purchase a little bit of sparkle for your Bride. The engagement ring is the symbol of your love for each other. Search for it with your sweet lady in mind. Think of what will flatter her and make her happy. It's always a good idea to get a second opinion from a friend or family member. You want to make sure you're investing in the right ring.

Now that you're prepared and ready to say the words "will you marry me" there is a new trend to think about. It's recently become a great idea to have a secret photographer document your actual proposal. Every girl wants pictures of that special moment and this is a way to surprise her later with a picture of that beautiful moment.

Just remember that whatever you plan or whether it goes perfectly or not, she loves you and is excited to spend her life with you. Anything that happens adds to your proposal story and makes it that much more special for each of you. Get excited because you are about to embark on the wedding planning part of this adventure. My advice would be to just sit back and smile.

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