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# Wedding Reception Timeline

- Cocktail hour for guests (60 minutes)
- Guests are invited to dinner (15 minutes)
- Grand entrance of bride and groom (5-10 minutes)
- Parents or bridal couple welcome toast (5 minutes)
- Wedding dinner or buffet itinerary (45 minutes)
  - Dinner prayer at wedding reception (5 minutes)
  - Serving of head table/bride and groom (5 minutes)
- Wedding speeches (25 minutes)
  - Best man speech (5 minutes)
  - Maid of honor speech (5 minutes)
  - Parents' speeches (10-15 minutes)
- Bride and groom toasts/speeches to each other (10 minutes)
  - Bridal couple toast guests (5 minutes)
- Cutting of the wedding cake (15 minutes)
- Bouquet toss (10 minutes)
- Garter toss (10 minutes)
- Dance itinerary (2 – 2.5 hours)
  - Bride and groom first dance (10 minutes)
  - Bridal party dance (10 minutes)
  - Father/daughter dance (10 minutes)
  - Mother/son dance (10 minutes)
  - Father of the bride invites everyone to dance
- Last song (5 minutes)
- Bridal couple thank you to guests for attending (5 minutes)
- Farewell to bridal couple grand exit (5 minutes)
- Reception ends and guests leave