

Complete Pakistani Wedding Photography Shot List

Printable checklist for engagement, bridal shower, Mayoun, Mehndi, Nikkah, Barat and Valima.

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Master Brief

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| ☐ Dates, venues and exact start times | ☐ Bride and groom contact persons |
| ☐ Parents, siblings and grandparents named | ☐ Sensitive family situations shared privately |
| ☐ Women-only areas identified | ☐ Social-media permission recorded |
| ☐ Entrances and performances listed | ☐ Family coordinators appointed |
| ☐ Delivery requirements confirmed | ☐ People not to photograph listed |

Universal Detail Shots

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| ☐ Invitation, signage and welcome board | ☐ Empty venue, stage and hall |
| ☐ Bride dress, shoes, jewellery and perfume | ☐ Groom outfit, shoes, watch and accessories |
| ☐ Rings, Nikkahnama, pen and Quran as applicable | ☐ Gifts, trays, mithai and favours |
| ☐ Cake, dessert and table details | ☐ Embroidery, heirlooms and handwritten notes |

Engagement / Baat Pakki

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| ☐ Ring and ring box close-ups | ☐ Bride and groom individual portraits |
| ☐ Immediate-family portraits before guests | ☐ Bride and groom entrance |
| ☐ Ring exchange wide and close | ☐ Parents reactions |
| ☐ Cake cutting | ☐ Gifts and dua |
| ☐ Couple with both sets of parents | ☐ Friends and overseas relatives |

Bridal Shower

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| ☐ Bride with decor before guests | ☐ Dress, sash, bouquet and cake |
| ☐ Bride with mother and sisters | ☐ Guest arrivals and hugs |
| ☐ Games and speeches | ☐ Gift opening reactions |
| ☐ Cake cutting | ☐ Bride with each guest where possible |
| ☐ Full group portrait | ☐ Privacy-safe women-only images |

Mayoun

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| ☐ Yellow outfit and floral jewellery | ☐ Ubtan trays and decor |
| ☐ Bride/groom with parents and siblings | ☐ Elders applying ubtan |
| ☐ Close-up hands and expressions | ☐ Dholki singing and clapping |
| ☐ Cousin and friend candids | ☐ Grandparents and elders |
| ☐ Traditional sweets and food details | ☐ Final calm portrait |

Mehndi

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| ☐ Stage, dance floor and trays | ☐ Henna, bangles and floral jewellery |
| ☐ Bride and groom outfit portraits | ☐ Bride entrance |
| ☐ Groom entrance | ☐ Mehndi application by elders |
| ☐ Every planned dance group | ☐ Audience reactions |
| ☐ Children dancing | ☐ Couple portrait after performances |

Nikkah

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| ☐ Nikkahnama, pen, Quran and rings | ☐ Bride and groom preparation |
| ☐ Parents blessings | ☐ Witnesses and officiant |
| ☐ Acceptance moments where permitted | ☐ Bride and groom signing |
| ☐ Witness signatures | ☐ Parents and siblings reactions |
| ☐ Dua | ☐ First congratulations |
| ☐ First portraits as husband and wife | ☐ Couple with parents and witnesses |

Barat - Bride Preparation

- ☐ Dress, jewellery, shoes and invitation
- ☐ Mother/sister helping with dupatta
- ☐ Bride with parents
- ☐ Emotional moments before departure
- ☐ Makeup and hair finishing
- ☐ Bride solo full-length and close-up
- ☐ Bride with siblings and grandparents

Barat - Groom and Arrival

- ☐ Groom outfit and accessories
- ☐ Sehra/turban placement if used
- ☐ Baraat procession and dancing
- ☐ Milni, greetings and garlands
- ☐ Groom with parents and siblings
- ☐ Groom leaving home
- ☐ Venue receiving family

Barat - Stage and Rukhsati

- ☐ Bride entrance
- ☐ Wide entrance and decor
- ☐ Both families and elders
- ☐ Bride farewell with parents and siblings
- ☐ Bride entering vehicle
- ☐ Groom first reaction
- ☐ Couple portraits before greeting line
- ☐ Cake or traditions
- ☐ Quran/family customs where followed
- ☐ Final departure wide frame

Valima

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| ☐ Venue, stage and reception details | ☐ Bride reception dress and jewellery |
| ☐ Groom suit and accessories | ☐ Individual portraits |
| ☐ Couple portraits before guests | ☐ Groom family receiving guests |
| ☐ Both families together | ☐ Speeches or cake |
| ☐ Table candids | ☐ Extended family and friends |
| ☐ Final night or exterior portrait | |

Essential Family Groups

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| ☐ Couple with bride parents | ☐ Couple with groom parents |
| ☐ Couple with both sets of parents | ☐ Couple with bride siblings |
| ☐ Couple with groom siblings | ☐ Couple with all siblings and spouses |
| ☐ Couple with grandparents | ☐ Bride with mother and father separately |
| ☐ Groom with mother and father separately | ☐ Bride with sisters/cousins |
| ☐ Groom with brothers/cousins | ☐ Maternal relatives |
| ☐ Paternal relatives | ☐ Bride closest friends |
| ☐ Groom closest friends | ☐ Full immediate families |
| ☐ Overseas/out-of-city relatives | ☐ Sensitive or blended groups planned in advance |

Names and Priority Groups

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