



DESTINATION WEDDINGS



THE OVERWHELMED BRIDE'S GUIDE

To Destination Weddings in Mexico and the Caribbean

**EVERYTHING YOU WISH SOMEONE HAD TOLD YOU
BEFORE YOU STARTED GOOGLING.**

Welcome

You just got engaged. Now everyone has an opinion, your Pinterest board has 400 pins, and somehow you are supposed to know what a "room block" is.

Take a breath. That is exactly why this guide exists.

Inside you will find straight answers on the questions every bride asks: What will this actually cost? How many guests will really show up? What does the resort handle and what falls on you?

No fluff. No runaround. Just what you need to know.

So grab your favorite drink, find a comfy spot, and dig in. Your calm, confident, happiest bride era starts now.





What's Inside This Guide

This guide was written for the bride who has no idea where to start and approximately zero time to figure it out.

Here is what we cover:

The Real Numbers: What a destination wedding in Mexico or the Caribbean actually costs, for you and for your guests, with no sugarcoating.

Picking Your Destination: How to choose between Mexico, Jamaica, the Dominican Republic, and beyond without falling into a Google spiral.

Finding Your Resort: What to look for, what to ask, and what resorts conveniently forget to mention until you have already signed.

Your Guest List Reality: How many people will actually show up, how to communicate with them, and how to stop stressing about the ones who can't make it.

The Legal Stuff Simplified: Symbolic vs. civil ceremony explained in plain English, and why most couples choose symbolic and never look back.

A Timeline That Actually Works: Month by month, what needs to happen and when, so nothing sneaks up on you.

The Vendors Nobody Talks About: Photography, hair and makeup, florals, DJ. What is not included in your resort package and how to handle it.

Ready to skip the overwhelm entirely? Book a free discovery call at www.romanticstravel.com/zoomcall

You Are Not Alone

Here is the truth nobody tells you when you get engaged: planning a destination wedding sounds dreamy until you actually start planning it.

Suddenly you are drowning in resort options, confused about room blocks, wondering if your guests will actually come, and Googling "how much does a destination wedding cost" at midnight with seventeen tabs open.

Sound familiar?

Here is what we know after 150+ destination weddings: the overwhelm is real, but it is also temporary. Once you understand how this actually works, the whole thing gets a lot simpler, and honestly, a lot more fun.

That is what this guide is for.

We are Kimberly and Jeff Jacoby, founders of Romantics Travel and destination wedding specialists with over 15 years of experience planning weddings across Mexico and the Caribbean. We have seen every scenario, negotiated every room block, and navigated every curveball a resort or airline has thrown at a couple.

We wrote this guide so you could walk into this process informed, confident, and maybe even a little excited.

Because your wedding should feel like a celebration from day one, not a second job. Let's get into it.

Kimberly & Jeff Jacoby
Romantics Travel



DESTINATION WEDDING *Trends* WE ARE SEEING

5-7 Days

COUPLE'S AVERAGE
STAY IN DESTINATION

1 in 4

WEDDINGS ARE A
DESTINATION WEDDING

35

AVERAGE # OF
GUESTS

May/June

MOST POPULAR
WEDDING MONTH

\$15,000

AVERAGE STARTING
COST FOR A
DESTINATION
WEDDING



Thinking a destination wedding might be right for you? You are in very good company. Here is what couples are actually experiencing:

5-7 Days

The average couple and their guests stay in destination, turning the wedding into a full vacation experience.

40-60%

The percentage of your invite list that will actually attend. Invite 60, plan for 30. This is normal, expected, and honestly works in your favor.

35 Guests

The average destination wedding guest count, which is the sweet spot for unlocking serious resort perks without the chaos of a 150-person local wedding.

\$15,000

Where most couples start budgeting for their wedding events. Your guests cover their own travel and rooms, which changes everything.

May & June

The sweet spot for weather, value, and availability in Mexico and the Caribbean before peak hurricane season hits.

The Biggest Surprise Most Couples Have

Your guests pay their own way. Their flights, their rooms, their food and drinks at an all-inclusive resort. Your job as a couple is to create an incredible experience. Their job is to show up. That shift alone changes the entire financial picture of a destination wedding.

WHY *Mexico or the Caribbean* IS PERFECT FOR YOUR DESTINATION WEDDING

There is a reason these two destinations account for the majority of destination weddings booked every year. It is not just the beaches, though those do not hurt. It is the value, the accessibility, the all-inclusive model, and the fact that resorts here have been hosting destination weddings for decades. They know what they are doing, and when you work with the right specialist, so do you.

What These Destinations Deliver

Stunning Venues for Every Style

Beach ceremony at sunset. Garden reception surrounded by tropical blooms. Rooftop with panoramic ocean views. Intimate chapel. Grand ballroom. These destinations have every setting imaginable, at every price point.

Built-In Vacation for Your Guests

Your guests are not just attending a wedding. They are going on a trip. Unlimited food, drinks, pools, activities, and entertainment means everyone has an incredible time whether they are on the dance floor or asleep by 9pm.

All-Inclusive Simplicity

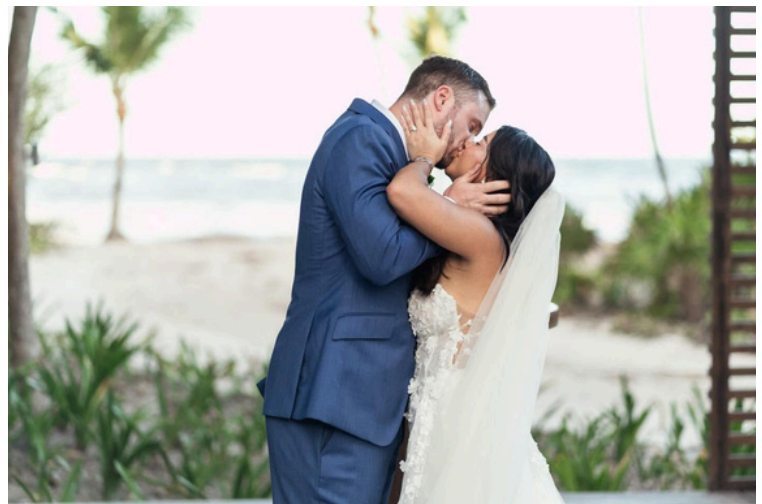
Catering, décor basics, officiant, cake, and champagne are often included in resort wedding packages. The heavy lifting is largely handled, which means your planning list is shorter than you think.

Unbeatable Value

A wedding that would cost \$50,000+ locally can come together in Mexico or the Caribbean for a fraction of that, with a better backdrop and a built-in honeymoon attached.

Easy Access

Direct flights from most major US cities. No passport drama beyond the basics. Familiar resort brands with international service standards.



Tips for Choosing

THE PERFECT SPOT

With so many incredible options, how do you narrow it down? Here are some considerations to keep in mind as you choose your ideal destination:

Mexico vs. the Caribbean: Which Is Right for You?

Both are exceptional. The difference comes down to your priorities: Mexico is ideal for value, variety of resorts, and ease of access from most US cities. The Riviera Maya alone has more world-class wedding resorts than most countries combined.

The Caribbean offers a different pace and aesthetic. Jamaica brings laid-back romance and lush landscape. The Dominican Republic delivers pristine beaches at some of the best price points in the region. Antigua offers boutique luxury with a Tourism Board that genuinely invests in the wedding experience.

Not sure which fits your vision? That is exactly what our discovery call is for.

Your Vision

- Are you dreaming of an oceanfront ceremony? A rooftop with sweeping views? Or maybe a jungle retreat? Start with the setting that captures your heart.

Guest List Size

- Smaller gatherings might work well for more intimate boutique venues, while larger guest lists may require spaces with more capacity and resort-based accommodations.

Budget

- Mexico and the Caribbean cater to a range of budgets, from affordable, all-inclusive resorts to ultra-luxurious, bespoke experiences. Decide what works best for your priorities and stick to it.

Ease of Travel

- Consider how far your guests will need to travel and the availability of direct flights to your chosen destination. Accessible locations can make attending your celebration easier for everyone.

Seasonality

- Think about weather and peak travel times. The dry season, often between November and April, is ideal for sunny skies and mild temperatures.

THE MOST COST EFFECTIVE

Destinations

Mexico: Riviera Maya & Los Cabos

Mexico is our most popular destination for a reason. World-class resorts, exceptional value, direct flights from virtually every major US city, and a resort infrastructure built specifically around destination weddings. The Riviera Maya offers lush jungle backdrops, turquoise Caribbean water, and the widest variety of resort options at every price point. Los Cabos delivers dramatic desert-meets-ocean scenery with a more upscale, boutique feel. If you are not sure where to start, Mexico is almost always the answer.

Best for: First-time destination wedding couples, budget-conscious couples, large guest lists, couples wanting maximum resort options.

Jamaica

Jamaica brings something no other destination quite replicates: pure romance with a laid-back island energy that puts every guest at ease the moment they land. The legalities of getting married here are among the most straightforward in the Caribbean, and the scenery ranging from white sand beaches to lush green cliffs is spectacular.

Best for: Couples wanting a true island feel, smaller intimate weddings, couples prioritizing ease of legal ceremony.

Dominican Republic

Pristine white sand beaches, crystal clear water, year-round warm weather, and some of the most competitive resort pricing in the entire Caribbean. The Dominican Republic has quietly become one of the strongest value destinations for destination weddings, with a growing number of luxury resort options that punch well above their price point.

Best for: Budget-conscious couples who refuse to compromise on beauty, couples wanting maximum guest attendance due to lower room rates.

Antigua

Antigua is our boutique luxury pick. 365 beaches, one for every day of the year, with a sophistication and intimacy that larger resort destinations cannot match. As a member of the Antigua and Barbuda Tourism Advisory Board, we have insider access and relationships here that translate directly into a better experience for our couples.

Best for: Couples wanting an upscale, intimate, less-crowded experience. Smaller guest lists who want something truly special and off the beaten path.

Not Sure Where to Go?

That is the most common answer we hear and it is completely fine. Narrowing down the destination is one of the first things we do together on your discovery call. We ask the right questions, factor in your guest list, budget, and vision, and present you with options you would never have found on your own.

Ready to find your destination? [Book your free call at romanticstravel.com/zoomcall](https://romanticstravel.com/zoomcall)



ON AVERAGE 40% - 60% OF THE GUEST LIST WILL ATTEND A DESTINATION WEDDING

GUESTS LISTS CAN BE AS BIG
OR AS LITTLE AS YOU LIKE.
FROM A GRAND AFFAIR TO
AN INTIMATE CELEBRATION.

WHO TO INVITE?

Begin crafting your wedding guest list by jotting down everyone you'd absolutely love to have there...think close family and cherished friends.

Next, consider those you'd like to invite, even though they aren't essential attendees.

Lastly, include those you feel obligated to invite but who might not make the journey. A good rule of thumb: expect all your 'love to have' guests (A LIST) and about half of your 'like-to-have' guests (B LIST) to join the celebration. If you need a few more rooms to help with perks, consider the C LIST.

KEEPING GUESTS INFORMED

In addition to your Save the Dates and formal invitation, you can also include an information card, a wedding website or a Facebook group outlining all of the events you've planned. This way, your guests will have all of the important information in one place. Be sure to include the date, time, and location of each event.



PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Your Wedding Date

Your wedding date is the single biggest factor affecting your budget.

Here is the breakdown:

High Season (December to April) brings the best weather, the most availability, and the highest prices. Book early, expect to pay more, and know you are getting the best conditions.

Low Season (May to November) offers significantly better pricing and more negotiating power on your room block. The tradeoff is heat, humidity, and hurricane season from June through October. May and late November are the sweet spots where you get low-season pricing without the weather risk.

Day of the week matters too. Saturday is the most requested wedding day and fills up fastest. Friday and Sunday are strong alternatives. Tuesday through Thursday weddings require guests to take more time off work, which directly impacts attendance.

Symbolic or Civil Ceremony

This is one of the most important decisions you will make and most couples do not even know it exists until someone tells them.

A civil ceremony is a legal marriage performed in your destination country. It requires blood tests, government documents, notarized paperwork, and in some destinations a mandatory arrival several days before the wedding. It adds \$1,500 to \$2,500 to your costs and significant logistical complexity.

A symbolic ceremony is a commitment ceremony performed at your destination that is not legally recognized abroad. You handle the legal paperwork at home before or after your trip, which you can do at your local courthouse.

Your guests will not know the difference unless you tell them. The ceremony looks, feels, and photographs identically. Most of our couples choose symbolic. It saves money, eliminates stress, and lets you focus entirely on the experience rather than the paperwork.



MORE PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Your Resort

Your resort is not just your venue. It is where your guests sleep, eat, drink, and spend the majority of their time. Choosing the right one is the most important decision of your entire planning process.

Key factors to consider:

- Wedding date availability comes first, room availability second
- Adults-only vs. family-friendly (or a split resort with both)
- Room rates your guests can realistically afford
- Wedding venue options within the resort
- Outside vendor policy and fees
- Resort reputation for actually delivering on wedding day promises

This is where having a specialist pays for itself. We have been inside these resorts. We know which ones over-deliver and which ones overpromise.

Your Guest List

Start by listing everyone you would love to have there. Then get realistic.

On average, 40 to 60 percent of invited guests attend a destination wedding. That is not a failure. It is just how destination weddings work, and it actually creates a more intimate, meaningful experience than a 200-person local wedding ever could.

A good planning framework:

A List: Your must-haves. Expect nearly all of them to come.

B List: Would love to have them. Expect about half.

C List: Obligatory invites. A pleasant surprise if they show up.

Plan your room block and budget around your realistic expected count, not your invite list total.

Mastering the Logistics

OF YOUR DESTINATION WEDDING

This is the part that overwhelms most brides. There are more moving pieces in a destination wedding than a local one, but once you understand how they fit together, it is actually more manageable than you think. Here is how to approach it.

Start Earlier Than You Think

The number one mistake couples make is waiting too long. Popular resorts book wedding dates 12 to 18 months out, sometimes further. Your planning timeline should look like this:

- **12 to 18 months out:** Choose your destination, select your resort, lock your date, and secure your room block
- **10 to 12 months out:** Send save the dates and set up your wedding website or guest communication hub
- **6 months out:** Follow up with guests who have not booked, finalize vendor selections
- **3 to 4 months out:** Final guest count confirmed, final payments due, legal paperwork if doing symbolic ceremony at home
- **1 month out:** Final details with resort wedding coordinator, packing list, travel documents ready
- **1 week out:** Confirmations on all transfers, vendor arrivals, and wedding day timeline

Your Room Block: How It Actually Works

This is the piece most couples do not understand until they are already in trouble. A room block is a contracted set of rooms held at a negotiated group rate for your guests. Here is what you need to know:

As the couple, you will typically pay a **\$100 per room deposit** to secure your room block. That money is applied toward your own room at final payment. Your guests each pay their own per person deposit to reserve their spot in the block, which comes off their final room balance and removes the financial liability from you entirely.

Your **final payment deadline** is typically 3.5 to 4.5 months before your wedding date. Guests who have not paid by then risk losing their room and their rate.

The more rooms your group books, the better your wedding perks: Your guests booking through your room block is not just convenient. It is how your wedding gets paid for.

A word of caution on attrition.

Room block contracts include attrition clauses, meaning if your guests do not fill the rooms you contracted, you may be financially responsible for the difference. This is one of the most misunderstood and potentially costly parts of a destination wedding contract, and it is exactly why working with a specialist who knows how to negotiate these agreements matters.

We review every contract before you sign it, negotiate attrition terms on your behalf, and monitor your block throughout the booking window so you are never caught off guard. A room block managed poorly can turn into an unexpected bill.

Mastering the Logistics

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The Vendors Nobody Mentions

Every resort wedding package has a list of what is included. What they do not lead with is the list of what is not.

These four categories are almost never included in a base resort wedding package:

Photography and Videography

Resort photographers exist but outside vendors almost always deliver better results. Expect an outside vendor fee from the resort, typically \$300 to \$800. It is worth every penny.

Hair and Makeup

Resort salon pricing is often inflated and quality varies significantly. Research outside artists who specialize in destination wedding bridal work.

Floral and Décor

Base packages include minimal florals. Anything beyond that is an upgrade or an outside vendor. Pro tip: let the destination be your backdrop and keep florals simple. Bouquets as centerpieces, a few garlands from home, and the ocean does the rest.

AV, DJ, and Entertainment

Lighting, sound, dance floor, DJ, mariachi, live music. None of this is standard. Price it out early so it does not blindsides you later.

Transportation

Do not leave your guests to figure out airport transfers on their own. A coordinated group transfer does three things: it keeps your guests together, it ensures nobody gets into an unlicensed vehicle outside the airport, and it sets the tone for the entire trip the moment they land.

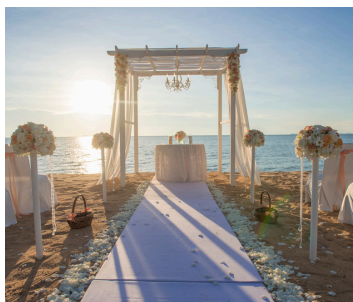
We coordinate all ground transportation for our couples and their guests as part of our service. It is one of the details that matters more than most people realize until something goes wrong.

Communication With Your Guests

Your guests need one clear place to find all trip information. Options that work well:

- A private Facebook group for casual updates and excitement building
- A wedding website with booking links, FAQ, and itinerary
- A travel app (we provide this for all our couples) that puts everything in their pocket including transfer times, resort tips, and your wedding day schedule

The more informed your guests are before they arrive, the smoother everything runs once you are there.



Finding Your Dream Venue

FOR YOUR DESTINATION WEDDING

Your venue sets the tone for everything. It is the backdrop of every photo, the setting your guests will talk about for years, and the space where you will say the most important words of your life. Choosing it deserves more than a Google search. Here is how to think about it.

Venue Styles to Consider

Beachfront

The classic destination wedding setting. Vows with the ocean behind you, sand underfoot, and a sunset that does all the decorating for you. High on romance, lower on formality.

Beach Terrace

Elevated ocean views with a more polished feel. Open air without being directly on the sand. A strong choice for couples who want the beach aesthetic with a cleaner, more structured setting.

Garden

Lush greenery, tropical blooms, and a fairytale atmosphere. Gardens photograph beautifully and work especially well for evening receptions with string lights and candlelight.

Rooftop

Panoramic views, modern aesthetic, spectacular at sunset. Increasingly popular for cocktail hours and receptions. Check wind and weather contingency plans carefully.

Chapel

From intimate beachfront sanctuaries to ornate historic gems. A strong choice for couples who want a more traditional ceremony feel within a destination setting.

Ballroom

Air conditioned, customizable, and ideal for larger guest counts or couples wanting full control over lighting, décor, and ambiance. Less destination-feel but maximum flexibility.



Narrowing Down

YOUR DREAM VENUE

What to Ask Before You Commit

Resorts are in the business of selling you on their venue. Your job is to ask the questions they are not volunteering answers to:

- What is the outside vendor fee and which vendors does it apply to?
- What is the weather contingency plan and who makes the call to move indoors?
- What events or other weddings are happening on the same day?
- What is included in the venue rental and what triggers additional charges?
- What are the noise restrictions and what time does music need to end?
- What are the cancellation and payment terms if something changes?
- Can we visit the venue space virtually or in person before committing?

The Resort Visit

If your budget allows, a site visit before booking is worth every penny. There is no substitute for standing in the space, meeting the wedding coordinator in person, and seeing how the resort actually operates versus how it looks in photos.

Many resorts offer site visit packages where a portion of your room cost is applied toward your wedding. Ask us about this before you book any exploratory trip.

Our Role in This Process

We have been inside hundreds of resorts across Mexico and the Caribbean. We know which venues photograph better than they look in person, which coordinators actually deliver, and which resort wedding packages are genuinely inclusive versus technically inclusive.

When you work with us, you are not choosing from a list of resorts on a website. You are choosing from a curated shortlist of venues we know, trust, and have sent couples to successfully.

Ready to start the process? Book your free discovery call at romanticstravel.com/zoomcall

The Real Cost

OF A DESTINATION WEDDING

Let's Talk About Money

This is the section most wedding guides either skip entirely or bury in vague ranges that tell you nothing. We are going to do this differently.

A destination wedding in Mexico or the Caribbean is almost always less expensive than a comparable local wedding, once you understand how the costs are actually structured. The key word is "structured." Because the money flows differently than a traditional wedding, and if nobody explains it to you upfront, it can feel confusing fast.

The Most Important Thing to Understand First

Your guests pay their own way.

Their flights, their rooms, their food, their drinks. At an all-inclusive resort, once your guests have paid for their room, virtually everything else is covered. No cash bar. No plated dinner invoice. No per-head catering bill landing on your plate.

That single fact changes the entire financial picture.

What You as a Couple Actually Pay For Your Wedding Package

Resort wedding packages typically run \$250 to \$400 per person for your guest count. For 30 guests that is approximately \$7,500 to \$12,000. This covers the ceremony setup, reception space, basic catering, cake, officiant, and standard décor.

Your Own Travel and Accommodations

Budget approximately \$1,200 to \$1,500 per person for a 3-night stay including flights. As a couple that is roughly \$2,400 to \$3,000 for your own room and travel before wedding costs.

The Four Outside Cost Categories

These are almost never included in a base resort package and need to be budgeted separately:

- Photography and videography
- Hair and makeup
- Floral and upgraded décor
- AV, DJ, and entertainment

Price these out early. They are real costs and they add up quickly if you are not paying attention.

The Numbers

WHAT DOES IT ALL ADD UP TO

Every wedding is different, but here is a realistic framework for a 30-guest wedding:

Item	Estimated Cost
Wedding package (30 guests)	\$7,500 to \$10,500
Photography and videography	\$2,500 to \$5,000
Hair and makeup	\$500 to \$1,500
Floral and upgraded décor	\$1,000 to \$3,000
AV and DJ	\$1,000 to \$2,500
Total before offsets	\$13,500 to \$22,500
Minus room credits and complimentary events	(\$3,000 to \$6,000)
Realistic total investment	\$7,500 to \$16,500

YOUR GUESTS EACH INVEST APPROXIMATELY \$1,200 TO \$1,500 FOR THEIR FULL 3-NIGHT ALL-INCLUSIVE EXPERIENCE INCLUDING FLIGHTS. FOR MOST GUESTS THAT IS LESS THAN A LONG WEEKEND TRIP TO A MAJOR US CITY.



WANT THE FULL COST BREAKDOWN?

WE PUT TOGETHER A DETAILED BLOG POST THAT WALKS THROUGH EVERY COST CATEGORY SO NOTHING CATCHES YOU OFF GUARD:

[GRAB THE THE FULL DESTINATION WEDDING COST BREAKDOWN HERE](#)

At a Glance

PLANNING TIMELINE

01

12 - 18 Months

At this stage the big decisions are made, including choosing your destination and resort. Locking in these decisions so far in advance gives you a better chance of getting the date you want & getting better pricing.

02

12 Months

Once the destination & resort are selected its time to send out the save the dates. Meanwhile, dress shopping will be next on your agenda and checking your passport status & expiration date.

03

4-6 Months

Six months is the perfect time to reach out to your guests to remind them to book their accommodation if they haven't already. It's also a great idea to send formal wedding invitations at this time. Your wedding planner will usually be in contact anywhere from one to six months out depending on the resort you have chosen..

04

3 Months

When you're getting close to your wedding date, you and your wedding planner will be busy finalizing all the details of your big day. With three months to go, you'll be finalizing your legal documents and making your final payments for travel arrangements.

05

1 Month

The final month before your wedding is a busy one! You'll be wrapping up details with your planner, collecting your dress, and packing for the big day. Make sure you have a packing list handy, and take some time to shop for any last-minute items you may need.

06

1 Week

You're getting married! In just a few short days you'll be saying "I do" to the love of your life. As you're packing your bags for the big day, don't forget to pack a photocopy of your passport and wedding documents.

Planning Timeline in Detail

12 to 18 Months Out

This is where everything starts. The decisions you make at this stage set the foundation for everything else.

- Choose your destination and resort
- Lock your wedding date
- Secure your room block
- Hire your travel specialist (the longer they have to negotiate your contract, the better)
- Set your overall budget
- Discuss ceremony type: symbolic vs. civil

10 to 12 Months Out

Your guests need time to save, request time off, and get their passports in order. Give it to them.

- Send save the dates
- Launch your wedding website or guest communication hub
- Confirm passport validity for you and remind guests to check theirs
- Begin dress shopping (alterations alone can take 3 to 6 months)

6 Months Out

The planning shifts from big decisions to details and follow-through.

- Send formal wedding invitations
- Follow up with guests who have not booked their rooms
- Begin vendor research: photography, hair and makeup, florals, DJ
- Connect with your resort wedding coordinator for the first time
- Finalize your ceremony vision and reception layout

3 to 4 Months Out

This is your financial deadline month. Almost everything gets paid and confirmed here.

- Final guest count confirmed with resort
- Final room block payments due
- Wedding package final payment due
- Legal paperwork completed if doing symbolic ceremony at home courthouse
- Finalize all outside vendors and confirm contracts

Planning Timeline in Detail

CONTINUED

1 Month Out

- The logistics stretch. Stay organized and do not try to add anything new.
- Final detail call with resort wedding coordinator
- Confirm all ground transportation for you and your guests
- Complete packing list including wedding day essentials
- Ensure all travel documents are current and accessible
- Brief your wedding party on timeline and expectations

1 Week Out

- You are almost there. This week is about confirming, not planning.
- Reconfirm all vendor arrival times
- Reconfirm transportation pickup times for all guests
- Pack a physical copy of all confirmations, contracts, and travel documents
- Download your travel app and make sure your guests have done the same
- Take a breath. You did the work. Now enjoy it.

Wedding Week

- Your only job this week is to be present. Every logistical detail should already be handled. If you have worked with us, you have a 24/7 contact number and a team monitoring everything in the background so you never have to think about what comes next.

A Note on Short Timelines

Booked with less than 12 months to go?

It happens more than you think and it is not a problem.

We have pulled together incredible weddings in 6 months or less.

The process simply gets compressed and the urgency on room block and date confirmation goes up immediately.

Reach out and we will tell you exactly what is and is not still possible for your date.

Questions about your timeline? Book a free call at romanticstravel.com/zoomcall

Love Letters

What Our Couples Are Saying

We could tell you we are good at this. But we would rather let the people who have actually stood at the altar say it.

Courtney & Danny

"They dealt with this stressed out bride better than my own husband. They were so fast to respond to any questions, presented us with a beautiful presentation to pick our destination venue, and created a phenomenal website and app to ease the booking pain for our guests. I am an event planner for my job, so I know what to look for. They exceed all expectations. Customer for life."

Maria & Davis

"Kimberly listened to what was most important to us and used her vast knowledge to match us with the best resort we could have imagined. She helped us understand what we were agreeing to, ensured the entire party arrived without a hitch, and was such a joy to work with. I cannot recommend them enough."

Aubrie & Austin

"All your help and knowledge took a tremendous amount of stress off us. Your wealth of knowledge and quickness to reply consistently was incredible. All our guests were truly impressed with your work. We would highly recommend you to our friends and future brides."

One thing every one of these couples has in common:

They started exactly where you are right now. A little excited, a little overwhelmed, and not entirely sure what comes next. That is where we come in.

Ready to get started? romanticstravel.com/zoomcall

TESTIMONIALS

Taylor & Juan

"Handing off the full travel and logistics to Kim and Jeff was one of the best decisions we made. She managed everything for our guests, which meant we weren't stuck answering the same travel questions a hundred times. What really sets her apart is how deeply she cares. You can feel it in her communication, her knowledge, her professionalism. Even our guests couldn't stop talking about how amazing they were, especially those who had never traveled out of the country before and were feeling nervous. They made them feel confident, supported, and excited."

Clare & Ed

"Working with Kim at Romantics Travel was absolutely priceless for our Cancun wedding. She and her team were incredible at handling the details that made all the difference, going back to the resort multiple times to resolve price discrepancies, ensuring scooter access for a family member, and helping with room issues. Everyone raved about how seamless it all felt. She even provided custom allergy cards for our guests, which was such a thoughtful and important touch. Kim was worth every single penny."

Anna & Joseph

"I truly believe my husband and I saved over \$10,000 on our wedding, credit to Romantics Travel. They do the leg work so you can do the fun parts. The team helped us and all our guests safely travel to Mexico and helped out tremendously with inevitable travel hiccups. With a destination wedding you get a full weekend with family and friends on the beach rather than just a few hours with a typical wedding, and that is something we will cherish forever."

TESTIMONIALS

WANT TO READ MORE?

Find us on Wedding Wire and The Knot where hundreds of couples have shared their experience.



150+ COUPLES SAID
YES TO PARADISE.
READY TO BE NEXT?



READY TO GET STARTED?
LET'S CHAT!

I'M READY

MEET KIMBERLY & JEFF JACOBY

Founders, Romantics Travel | Destination Wedding Experts

We did not stumble into this industry. We built a career in it on purpose, because we genuinely love what a destination wedding does for a couple and their guests.

Since founding Romantics Travel in 2011, we have planned over 150 destination weddings across Mexico, the Caribbean, and beyond. We have negotiated hundreds of room block contracts, navigated force majeure situations, rebooked guests stranded by weather, and stood behind couples on some of the most important days of their lives.

We know these destinations because we have been there, repeatedly, with clients, with vendors, and on our own time to stay current on what is actually being delivered versus what is being promised.

What makes us different:

Kimberly holds a seat on the **Antigua & Barbuda Tourism Advisory Board**, giving our couples insider access and relationships in one of the Caribbean's most sought-after boutique destinations.

We are **charter members of the Destination Wedding & Honeymoon Specialists Association (DWHSA)**, which means we are held to the highest professional standards in our industry and stay current on everything changing in destination wedding travel.

We have been featured in **Travel Weekly and Destinations & Honeymoons Magazine** and recognized as **Best of Fort Worth Travel Agency**.

Our team of 10 includes dedicated travel designers, two wedding planners, and an assistant, meaning your guests have experts handling their travel while you have specialists focused entirely on your wedding experience.

We only take on a limited number of weddings each month. Not because we have to, but because every couple we work with deserves our full attention and that is non-negotiable for us.



A NOTE FROM KIMBERLY:

"I have been doing this long enough to know that the couples who enjoy their planning process the most are the ones who stop trying to figure it all out alone and let someone who knows this world guide them. That is what 150 + weddings taught me.

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Your Dream Wedding IS CLOSER THAN YOU THINK

**You picked up this guide because something in you said
"there has to be a better and easier way to do this."**

There is.

Couples who work with us stop Googling at midnight, stop fielding travel questions from every guest, and stop wondering what comes next. They show up to their wedding week relaxed, present, and genuinely excited because everything is already handled.

That is not an accident. That is what 150+ weddings of experience looks like in practice.

Here Is What Happens When You Book a Call With Us:

- We listen first. No pitch, no pressure.
- We ask the right questions to understand your vision, your guest list, and your budget reality.
- We tell you honestly what is possible, what is not, and what we would do if it were our wedding.
- You leave the call with clarity, whether you hire us or not.

It costs nothing and You'll learn more from us in one call than spending months googling.

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