

Julie Atwood Events

PLANNING A WEDDING BUDGET FOR 2011

When planning for a wedding at a private estate (or your home) – some **very** helpful tips from Julie Atwood Events:

1. Listen to your planner – let them guide you, and don't micro-manage or second-guess! (Our goals are the same as yours: the best possible celebration within your budget!)
2. Be prepared to make decisions. Delays cost time (= \$!) Again, your planner will give you the best options.
3. Be realistic about your priorities vs. reality.
4. Edit your guest list – no "A" & "B" list allowed!
5. *Skip the blowout "after-party" – concentrate on the important stuff – your ceremony, family & friends, & significant others!
6. Longer parties are more costly (overtime, staff, etc.)
7. A leisurely celebration in a stunning, unusual, private setting will guarantee the most memorable event.
8. Oh – did we mention? Let your planner do the planning! They're the pros – they'll help you stay relaxed & un-stressed, give you the greatest value for your investment, and ensure that your guests – and you – will feel pampered and special!
9. A heartfelt ceremony; beautiful surroundings & music; and simple, abundant, perfectly prepared & served food & drink and seamless flow make the most memorable celebrations.

**But, if budgets allow, we can help with fun "late-nite" festivities, too!*