

Explore our readers' picks for the best in the magnolia state.

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ATTIRE

Best of Mississippi Weddings

BRIDE

Elle James

Ridgeland, ellejamesbridal.com

Brides are the main attraction at Elle James. This chic bridal boutique features an exclusive selection of gowns from premier designers. Whether it's couture or bohemian or classic, no matter your taste, one of the salon's professionals can find the dress of your dreams.



Amelia Grace, Greenwood Bridal Studio 61, Vicksburg Kay's Kreations, Tupelo Mimi's Bridal and Formalwear, Laurel The Bridal Path, Jackson

BRIDESMAIDS

Bella Bridesmaids

Ridgeland, bellabridesmaids.com

On the big day, the family and closest friends who are chosen to be by your side are truly cherished. At Bella Bridesmaids, wedding party attire is their forte. Any bride and member of a bridal party will appreciate the level of service, selection, and expertise that they offer.



It's A Date and Tuxedo Shop, Starkville Kay's Kreations, Tupelo Lace Bridal Boutique, Brandon Magnolia Mariée Bridal Boutique, Natchez The Bridal Path, Jackson

ALTERATIONS

Fashion Post

Jackson, fashionpostjxn.com

For decades, brides and bridal parties have been trusting their attire alterations to the experts at Fashion Post. While they alter everyday clothing for clients, too, it's the long-standing reputation they have that keeps brides trusting only them with the most special dress they'll ever wear.



Alterations by Tailor Kim, Ridgeland Kay's Kreations, Tupelo Lauren B. Designs, Vicksburg Mimi's Bridal and Formalwear, Laurel The Bridal Path, Jackson

GROOM

Tuxes Too

Jackson, tuxestoo.com

Long gone are the days of the simple black tux. Today's brides and grooms seek stylish, fashion-forward options for the groom's party, and Tuxes Too has 30 years of experience. Since 1990, Tuxes Too at Banner Hall in Jackson has been the go-to source for formalwear. With one of the largest in-stock inventory selections, finding the perfect attire for men is at your fingertips.



Bridal Studio 61, Vicksburg It's A Date And Tuxedo Shop, Starkville Kinkade's Fine Clothing, Ridgeland The Well-Dressed Man, Brookhaven Tuxedo Junction, Flowood

GROOMSMEN

Kinkade's Fine Clothing

Ridgeland, kinkades.com

Men from around the Magnolia State visit Kinkade's for its excellent selection of men's clothing and accessories. And, it's no surprise that this fine gentleman's clothing store has also been dressing grooms and groomsmen for years. From classic suits for a casual affair to white tuxes and tails, Kinkade's has the perfect style for the man in your life.



Abraham's, Cleveland and Indianola The Bride and Groom, Columbus The Well-Dressed Man, Brookhaven Tuxedo Junction, Flowood Tuxes Too, Jackson





FINE JEWELRY

Juniker Jewelry Co.

Madison, junikerjewelry.com

The Ravenstein family has provided Mississippi with the finest of gems and jewels for more than four generations. See the difference in a Chrisscut diamond or select a classic setting from the store's signature Heritage Collection. Juniker offers one of the finest and most extensive selections of engagement rings in fine jewelry in the Southeast



Corinth Jewelers, Corinth
Lynbar Jewelers, Greenwood
Parris Jewelers, Hattiesburg
Selman's Jewelers-Gemologist, McComb
Van Atkins Jewelers, New Albany and Oxford

ANTIQUE JEWELRY

Van Atkins lewelers

New Albany and Oxford, vanatkins.com

Brides seeking fine collectible antique engagement rings know to make their first stop at Van Atkins. With a vast selection of one-of-a-kind antique pieces, any bride is certain to find the engagement ring of her dreams. Van Atkins has been a go-to source for collectible antique jewels for decades.



Corinth Jewelers, Corinth Juniker Jewelry, Madison Lynbar Jewelers, Greenwood Parris Jewelers, Hattiesburg Selman's Jewelers-Gemologist, McComb

DING BEADED

The Well-Dressed Man

Brookhaven, 601.265.2415

Little gentlemen, dressed to the nines, are a precious addition to any wedding ceremony. The Well-Dressed Man in Brookhaven is a great spot to find attire perfect for weddings large and small, especially those honored to carry the rings.



Kinkade's Fine Clothing, Ridgeland Mimi's Bridal and Formalwear, Laurel Reed's, Columbus,Tupelo, and Starkville The Bride and Groom, Columbus Tuxes Too, Jackson

FASHION JEWELDY

Bridal Studio 61

Vicksburg, bridalstudio61.com

No wedding attire is complete without the perfect pair of earrings, a great dainty necklace, or a delicate bracelet. And Bridal Studio 61 and its staff can help every bride select the ideal style and piece without breaking the bank. For a luxurious look and a classic price, head to the River City.



Deep South Pout, Columbus and Starkville Elle James Bridal, Ridgeland Kay's Kreations, Tupelo Material Girls, Hattiesburg, Jackson, and Flowood The Bridal Path, Jackson

MOTHERS/ GRANDMOTHERS

The Bridal Path

Jackson, bridalpathinc.com

For generations, The Bridal Path in Jackson has been styling brides and their mothers for the special day. The exceptional service, vast selection, and premier lines have been drawing those looking for the perfect dress for 50 years. Come and experience The Bridal Path difference.



Bridal Studio 61, Vicksburg CoatTails, Ridgeland Fashion Post, Jackson Lace Bridal Boutique, Brandon The Bride and Groom, Columbus

FLOWER GIRLS

Mimi's Bridal & Formalwear

Laurel, mimisbridal.com

With lines like Us Angels, Mac Duggal, Rachel Allan, and Amalee, Mimi's will have the tiniest members of your bridal party looking like a perfect angels. The array of styles offered will complement the smallest or largest celebration and wedding attire.



Bella Bridesmaids, Ridgeland Bridal Studio 61, Vicksburg Kay's Kreations, Tupelo Lace Bridal Boutique, Brandon The Bridal Path, Jackson

ACCESSORIES

Lace Bridal Boutique

Brandon, lacebridalboutique.com

From garters to veils to baubles and beads, Lace Bridal Boutique offers a superior selection to complement any wedding gown or bridal party attire. The boutique provides stylings for every bridefrom casual to luxurious—and its staff's knowledge and expertise are unmatched.



Bridal Studio 61, Vicksburg Elle James Bridal, Ridgeland Kay's Kreations, Tupelo Mimi's Bridal and Formalwear, Laurel The Bridal Path, Jackson



VENUES Best of Mississippi Weddings

OUTDOOR

McClain Lodge

Brandon, mcclainlodge.ms

With multiple locations on the vast expanse of the resort, on-site catering, lodging, and more, McClain Resort offers much more than just the ideal outdoor setting. From the safari animals to the breathtaking views and multitude of services, it's one-stop planning.



Cotton Market Venue, Richland Jackson Yacht Club, Ridgeland Rosegate, Florence Southern Oaks House and Garden, Hattiesburg

The Hideaway at Reed's Estate, Brookhaven

DESTINATION

The Alluvian Hotel

Greenwood, thealluvian.com

The sights, sounds, dishes, and fun of the Mississippi Delta are at your fingertips. Relax in luxury, visit the world-class spa, and dine at some of the state's most notable restaurants. The Alluvian in Greenwood is an ideal location for a wedding destination.



Lake Tiak O'Khata, Louisville Old Waverly Golf Club, West Point Providence Hill Farm, Jackson The Inn at Ole Miss, Oxford The White House Hotel, Biloxi

HISTORIC

Butterfield Mansion

Brookhaven, 601.948.9901

Butterfield Mansion is one of Brookhaven's most recognized homes. Built in 1911 by Charles Butterfield, a lumber tycoon, the house was abandoned and disrepair for years until Stacie and Jeff Cross discovered it. It has been restored to its former glory and is now a popular venue for breathtaking weddings, receptions, and other celebrations.



Events at The Bank, Clarksdale Monmouth Historic Inn and Gardens, Natchez Old Capitol Inn, Jackson The Depot Event Venue, Columbus

Tupelo Cotton Mill, Tupelo

NEW VENUE

Parks Place

Corinth, parksplacems.com

Among the sprawling fields is a beautiful white barn outfitted to host the most rustic or elegant celebrations. Everything needed to create the wedding and reception of your dreams is on-site. With the scenic northeast Mississippi countryside as a backyard, wedding dreams will come true.



Centennial Plaza, Gulfport Dodson Farms, Starkville The Jackson Pearl, Ocean Springs The Raymond Venue, Raymond The Vault Venue, Brandon











FORMAL

Reunion Golf and Country Club

Madison, reuniongolfandcc.com

The grand Southern architecture of the clubhouse provides sweeping views of the picturesque golf course. With 4,000 square feet of space, a talented chef, exquisite décor, and more, Reunion is ideal for hosting any grand celebration.



Bill Waller Mississippi Craft Center, Ridgeland Castle Hill, Oxford Jackson Country Club, Jackson Oak Hill Estate, Summit The Antler, Tupelo

RUSTIC

The Barn at Bridlewood of Hattiesburg, and Bridlewood of Madison

Hattiesburg and Madison, thebarnatbridlewood.com

Two breathtaking locations and one great name, Bridalwood of Hattiesburg and Madison, has become a premier destination for any upscale yet rustic event. The beautiful exposed-beam barns, ample event space, and ceremony location options keep the calendar at both locations full year-round.



Homestead at Brookhaven Nurseries, Brookhaven The Gin at Rasberry Greene, Soso The Farmstead at Woodson Ridge, Oxford The Jefferson, Oxford The South Warehouse, Jackson

REHEARSAL DINNER

Park Heights Restaurant

Tupelo, parkheightstupelo.com

With superior menu options along with two dining room sizes and a rooftop to accommodate almost any size gathering, Park Heights remains a top pick for rehearsal dinner locations. Overlook the city that brought Elvis to the world, enjoy amazing dishes, and celebrate in style. They offer event planning, customized menus, and even audio-visual equipment.



Fairview Inn, Jackson Koestler Prime, Ridgeland Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame, Jackson Table 100, Flowood The Faulkner, Jackson

DÉCOR Best of Mississippi Weddings

FLOWERS

Jill Windham: Floral Designs by Jill

Soso, Facebook: Jill Windham

As a bridal consultant at Mimi's Bridal & Formalwear in Laurel, Windham knows a lot about weddings and what brides are looking for when they plan their big days. Windham's floral designs bring any venue to life and add the perfect touch to any celebration.



Beth Cranford Floral Designs, Bay St. Louis Corinth Flowers, Corinth Elaina Anders Designs, Brookhaven Fresh Cut Catering and Floral, Jackson Moxie Floral Design Studio, Jackson

RENTALS

Eventful

Jackson, erikkeglereventful.com

Erik Kegler has long been known as one of the state's premier designers, but he is also a notable party planner. Along with his business partner Marian Bowen, Eventful can provide any event with the finishing touches that create the most memorable occasions.



Busylad Rent-All, Inc., Tupelo Fresh Cut Catering and Floral, Jackson Great Southern Rentals, Pearl Magnolia Rental and Sales, Batesville and Oxford Southern Event Productions, Biloxi

LIGHTING

Davaine Lighting

Jackson, davainelighting.com

Never underestimate the power of lighting in bringing the setting of an event to perfection. And Davaine Lighting and its experts have a longstanding reputation for being one of the best in the business. If you can dream it, Davaine can do it.



Busylad Rent-All, Inc., Tupelo Details Rentals, Oxford Gearbox Entertainment, Ocean Springs Magnolia Rental and Sales, Batesville and Oxford

Southern Event Productions, Biloxi





GIFTS Best of Mississippi Weddings

BRIDESMAID GIFTS

Elizabeth Clair's

Jackson and Tupelo, elizabethclairs.com

With two convenient locations, online shopping, and a vast selection of gift options, Elizabeth Clair's helps brides find the perfect way to say thank you to their attendants. Pamper them with gifts from Lollia or PJ Harlow, find the perfect piece of jewelry or a cosmetic bag, and so much more!



Accents Fine Home and Interiors, Hattiesburg Ally-Oops, Pearl Apple Annie's, Brandon and Madison Mockingbird Marketplace, Flowood Smitten Gift Boutique, Ridgeland

GROOMSMEN GIFTS

Reed's

Columbus, Starkville, and Tupelo, reedsms.com

Reed's in Tupelo has been in business since 1905, and they know a thing or two about finding the perfect gift for any man, especially those whom you choose to have by your side on the most important of days. Let the staff at Reed's assist you in selecting the perfect token of your appreciation.



Johnson Brothers Jewelry Co., Pascagoula Kinkade's Fine Clothing, Ridgeland Neilson's Department Store, Oxford The Bride and Groom, Columbus The Well-Dressed Man, Brookhaven

REGISTRIES AND SHOPS

Accents Fine Home Interiors and Gifts

Hattiesburg, accentshomeandgifts.com

If it's luxury and it's for the home, Relish is the answer. Brides and grooms will find the perfect accents for tables and furnishings for their new nest. Let the professionals at Relish help select the ideal pieces that will last a lifetime.



Courtney Peters Interior Design, Jackson Everyday Gourmet, Jackson Persnickety, Madison The Finery, Jackson Tish Gammill, Hattiesburg

HOSTESS GIFTS

Mississippi Gift Company

Greenwood, themississippigiftcompany.com

Find the perfect way to say thank you from the extensive selection of Mississippi-made and Mississippi-inspired gifts at The Mississippi Gift Company. From food items to candles and clothing, there is something for everyone. Most items featured are made in-state by local artisans and businesses.



Accents Fine Home Interiors and Gifts, **Hattiesburg** Apple Annie's, Brandon and Madison Interior Spaces, Jackson Relish Home Accents, Madison Wolfe Fine Art Studio, Jackson





BEAUTY

Best of Mississippi Weddings

SKIN CARE

Cole Facial Clinic & Skin Care

Flowood, colefacialclinic.com

The skincare clinic at Cole offers the latest treatments, most advanced products, and expert care. Choose from an array of luxurious treatments to bring out your skin's beauty. From peels to lasers to dermaplaning and more, Cole Facial Clinic offers everything needed for your special day.



Blackedge Face Center, Jackson Brookhaven MedSpa-Facial Aesthetics, Brookhaven

Drench Day Spa, Ridgeland Park Avenue Medical Spa of Greenwood, Greenwood

The Face and Body Center, Flowood

SPAS

Aqua the Day Spa

Ridgeland, aquathedayspa.com

For more than two decades, this award-winning spa has been pampering those seeking a little relaxation and beauty-enhancing time. Treat yourself to one of the many services offered by Aqua's staff of professionals who will provide the best care in the most serene setting.



Drench Day Spa, Ridgeland Glam Station, Columbus La Rousse, Oxford Soul Spa at The Westin, Jackson The Alluvian, Greenwood

HAID SALONS

The Magnolia Parlor

Hazlehurst, themagnoliaparlor.com

Hazlehurst may be a small town, but this salon provides big-city style. With master colorists, an array of salon services, and more, Magnolia Parlor can style any bride for her big day.



Glamour and Grace Salon and Spa, Brookhaven H & Co. Salon, Poplarville Molly Gee and Co., Madison Salon 11, Ridgeland Salon 232, Flowood

BEAUTY ENHANCEMENTS

The Face & Body Center

Flowood, faceandbodycenter.com

With nine expert physicians, on-site surgical suites, a medi-spa, and more, The Face and Body Center can handle any desire-small or large. Plump lips, slim down, or accentuate natural features; the professionals here can have any bride or mother of the bride feeling their best.



Blackledge Face Center, Jackson Cole Facial Clinic and Skin Care, Flowood Drench Day Spa, Ridgeland Park Avenue Medical Spa of Greenwood, Greenwood

Skin: The Spa at Runnels and North, Flowood

COSMETICS

Abbey Elizabeth Boone

Petal, makeupbyabbeyelizabeth@gmail.com

He will never forget seeing you in your wedding gown for the first time. Abbey Elizabeth, a licensed cosmetologist and makeup artist, can bring out the most beautiful you with her artful talent. Feel your best without stress or worry by bringing in a professional with experience preparing brides for their wedding days.



Avery Miskelly, Flowood Brynn Chesney Hair and Makeup, Meridian Jamie Bobbitt, Hazlehurst Rivers Countiss, Oxford Robin Malone, Gulfport

NAIL SALONS

Serenity Nail Spa

Madison, 601.707.7430

Whether it's a gel, dip powder, or a traditional treatment you desire, when he takes your hand on your wedding day, your nails will be the icing on the cake. The convenient location, comfortable surroundings, and experienced staff will prepare you for that moment.



Anthony Vince Nail Salon, Ridgeland
Aqua the Day Spa, Ridgeland
Lavish, Hattiesburg
Polished Nail Bar, Brandon
The Nail Lounge at Highland Village, Jackson





PRINTED GOODS

Best of Mississippi Weddings

STATIONERY

Posh Design Shoppe

Clinton, poshms.com

Weddings are a wonderful time in a bride's life, and the gifts bestowed upon her and her groom are the foundations to create a new home. Thank those generous friends and loved ones in style with cards and paper goods from Posh.



Fondren Fine Paper and Gifts, Jackson Fresh Ink, Jackson Generations Fine Paper and Gifts, Meridian Holmes Stationers and Gifts, Summit Sprint Print, Tupelo

MONOGRAMMING

Monogram Magic

Jackson, 601.956.7117

Monograms large and small, formal or plain– Monogram Magic can prepare any item to complement wedding accessories and décor. From handkerchiefs to bouquet wraps and new monograms for pillows on reception seating to almost any item needed, they have a font style for you.



Delta Way Monogram, Oxford Lil Miss Sew & Sew, Flowood Posh Design Shoppe, Clinton Sawmill Monogram, Laurel Silver Gallery, Flowood

PROGRAMS

Holmes Stationers and Gifts

Summit, holmesstationers.com

Share the details of your service on beautifully designed and printed papers. The staff at Holmes has years of experience helping brides with formats, designs, and formalities to create programs to complement any wedding style.



Flourish Paper, Tupelo
Fondren Fine Paper and Gifts, Jackson
Fresh Ink, Jackson
Love Birds Bridal Boutique, Hattiesburg
Posh Design Shoppe, Clinton

INVITATIONS

Fresh Ink

Jackson, fresh-ink.com

From a classic wedding paper trousseau to bespoke invitations that are tailored to an event, Fresh Ink has been guiding and assisting brides for years. Let the experts at this premier stationery purveyor help find the perfect paper to please any bride's taste.



Fondren Fine Paper and Gifts, Jackson Generations Fine Paper and Gifts, Meridian Gifts by KPEP, Ridgeland OAK: A Southern Experience, Forest Posh Design Shoppe, Clinton





CATERING Best of Mississippi Weddings

REHEARSAL DINNER

Nichols Foods & Deli

New Albany, 662.534.8474

For gatherings, large or small, Nichols Foods can do it all. When Nichols takes over the catering, guests are treated to amazing home cooked favorites. Coordinate with their team to craft the perfect menu before the big day.



Brian Michaels, Starkville Fresh Cut Catering and Floral, Jackson Koestler Prime, Ridgeland Moondog Makers and Bakers, Corinth Restaurant Tyler, Starkville

RECEPTION

Fresh Cut Catering and Floral

Jackson, freshcutcateringandfloral.com

Plan a reception with ease with the help of professionals Wendy Putt and her daughter Julia. With the ability to travel statewide, Fresh Cut can provide everything from amazing florals to event design and rentals, along with the perfect menu for any style event.



4Top Catering, Jackson Donna's Catering, Brookhaven Elements Catering, Columbia Nichols Foods & Deli, New Albany Southern Flavor Catering, Gulfport

SHOWERS & PARTIES

Mangia Bene Catering

Jackson, mangiabene-catering.com

For more than two decades, Mangia Bene, part of the restaurant powerhouses of Broad Street, Bravo!, and Sal & Mookies, can help plan any size event. Let the team of professionals at Mangia Bene make your event stress-free and unforget-



4Top Catering, Jackson For Heaven's Cakes and Catering, Jackson Fresh Cut Catering and Floral, Jackson Nichols Food & Deli, New Albany Southern Oaks House and Garden, Hattiesburg

CAKES

Charmed Cakes

Madison, 601.503.3344

Each cake is a custom creation that not only looks amazing but tastes fantastic. It's where buttercream meets boutique. Whether looking for a beautiful wedding cake, a fun and whimsical groom's cake, or decorated cookies to send guests home with a treat, Charmed Cakes will make any event charmingly sweet.



Cakes by Iris, Richland Cups-N-Cakes Bakery, Louisville Molly Manning Robertson, Natchez Sweet Melissa Cookie Co., Brandon The Prickly Hippie, Ridgeland The Turquoise Chandelier, Madison







WEDDING PROFESSIONALS Best of Mississippi Weddings

EVENT PLANNER

Special Occasions by Denise Kennedy-Brown

Tupelo, eventplanningbydenisetupeloms.com

Navigate through all of the details of your day, big or small, with the help of a professional. Denise Kennedy-Brown tailors to your needs from simple consulting to full-service planning and coordinating and on any budget.



Kendall Poole Event Planning, Ridgeland Lulabelle Weddings and Events, Hattiesburg OAK: A Southern Experience, Forest Olivia Miley Events, Hattiesburg Posh Design Shoppe, Clinton

ENTERTAINMENT

Style Entertainment

Columbus, styleentertainmentms.com

Choose from the bands Style the Band and Stylish or DJ services. Style Entertainment will keep guests on the dance floor and liven any event. They've been entertaining since 2016, and weddings are the perfect time for them to showcase their talent.



Gearbox Entertainment, Ocean Springs Nightshift Sounds, Biloxi OZ DJ Services, Booneville Southern Noise Productions, Hattiesburg The Blind Eye DJ, Saltillo

PHOTOGRAPHY

Luke Price Studios

Corinth, lukepricestudios.com

Capturing the moments of your wedding day is an important task. Don't leave these special photos to just anyone. Luke Price Studios can provide memorable and priceless images, creating photographs, videos, and more of each little moment and each precious smile.



Katelyn Anne Photography, Brandon Kylie Wooten Photography, Jackson Lindsay Ott Photography, Flowood Peyton Neal Photography, Blue Mountain Shea Gibson Photography, Collins





WEDDING PROFESSIONALS Best of Mississippi Weddings

RECEPTION ARTIST

Katelee Laird Art

Natchez, kateleelairdart.com

Commemorate your first dance, your vows, the first kiss, all in a keepsake portrait. Katelee Laird is well-known for her beautiful live paintings from weddings and receptions. She can also recreate your wedding bouquet on canvas incorporating real flowers.



Christie Farese, Madison Kendall Kirk Singleton, Hattiesburg Miriam Shufelt Art, Brandon NiCole Britt Art, Petal Sam Biebers, Jackson Wyatt Waters, Clinton

TRAVEL & HONEYMOON PLANNING

Brittany Odom, LBA

Brandon, Ibactravel.com

Honeymoons can be a task to plan even when there isn't a pandemic. Protect your investment and navigate the restrictions and precautions with the help of a professional. Brittany Odom can assist in planning the trip of your dreams, even during crazy times.



Custom Travel Professionals, Clinton Global Travel Services, Tupelo Magnolia Travel Group, Madison McGehee Cruise and Vacation, Jackson Mindi Phillips at Beloved Getaways, Brandon

VIDEOGRAPHY

Tommy Kirkpatrick Wedding Films

Jackson, tommykirkpatrick.com

Kirkpatrick began his career performing freelance work; however, he soon realized that he was passionate about helping couples tell their stories. Each wedding video he creates tells the couple's story and captures the intimate and memorable moments of their wedding.



Abounding Grace Films, Jackson Ashley Applewhite Films, Richland Casey Clingan Cinematography, Purvis Jones Photography and Productions, Starkville Luke Price Studios, Corinth

TRANSPORTATION

Way Back in Time

Jackson, waybackintime.com

When looking for a special car to drive off into the future as Mr. and Mrs., Way Back in Time offers everything from classic and timeless to convertible and cool. And with chauffeur services, you'll exit in style.



Cline Tours, Ridgeland Deluxe Limo, Richland Foxy Kat Limo, Hattiesburg Mississippi Hot Rods, Madison Phoenix Transportation, Forest





