**When CONTACTING WEDDING PLANNERS ABROAD:**

* Ask to see testimonials of weddings they have planned or if you can contact previous clients
* Find out exactly what they will organise for you. If there is anything extra you would like organised will this increase their fee?
* Ensure they will take care of the legalities and paperwork for getting married abroad.
* Determine if they have a set list of venues and suppliers they work with. Often this can be an advantage as they will use them because of their high standards and reliability. However, see how flexible they are in researching new venues and suppliers if you are not happy with their recommendations.
* Understand their fee structure. Determine if they receive commissions from booking with certain venues or suppliers. You want to be sure they are using them because of their excellence and not because they stand to make extra money.
* Find out if there is a total amount you need to spend on your wedding before they will organise it. Some Wedding Planners will only plan your wedding if it costs over a certain amount.
* Ask for a sample budget. Determine if you will be given the option to choose from different priced suppliers, e.g. do they use high and low end suppliers?
* Ask how many weddings they organise for the same day or weekend. If they are a small company it is better to have someone solely dedicated to your wedding.
* Ask if they will be on site co-ordinating your wedding day. If so, will this be an extra charge?
* Do they provide bespoke planning services and/or wedding packages. Make sure you understand the difference between the two and choose the service which best fits your requirements.
* Find out what their cancellation policy is. Will you have to pay anything or loose any deposits if you cancel your wedding or decide not to use their services? Check what your legal rights are here as in most circumstances under the Unfair Terms and Conditions Act they must refund you your deposit in full.

**For further useful information on choosing a Wedding Planner refer to the following page:**

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