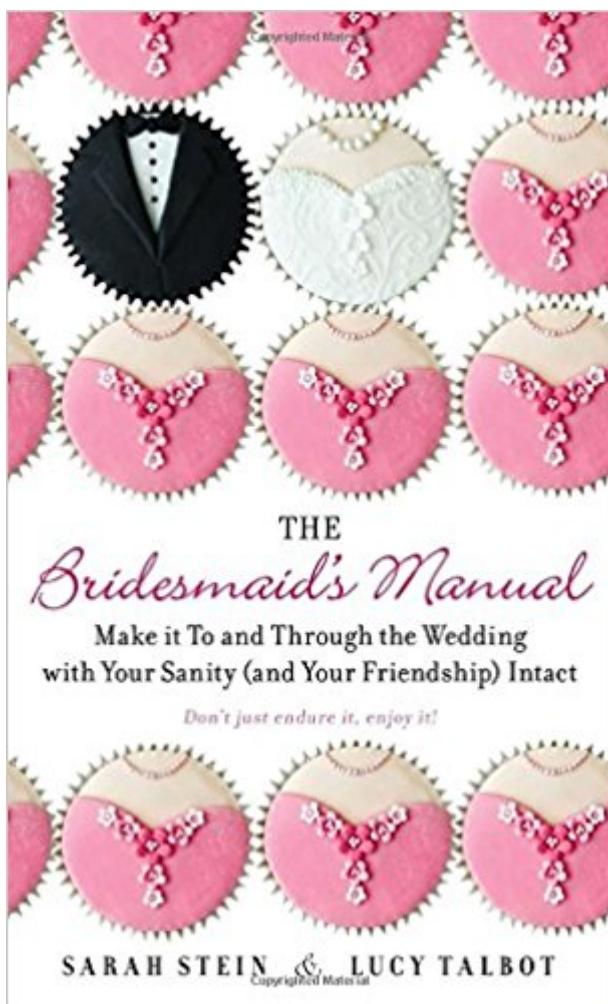


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# The Bridesmaid's Manual: Make It To And Through The Wedding With Your Sanity (and Your Friendship) Intact



## Synopsis

Will you be my bridesmaid? It's flattering, isn't it? A romantic celebration, and you'll be playing a supporting role. But what if being a bridesmaid means committing to a year of party planning and splurging on an unflattering dress you'll wear at the wedding--and never again? How does a friendship survive strained budgets, bridal duties, and toilet paper games? Bridesmaid veterans Sarah Stein and Lucy Talbot are here with a manual that will prepare you for one of the greatest tests of female friendship. From dress shopping (for hers and yours) to budgeting for and planning the out-of-town bachelorette weekend (it's her only request!) to delicately declining other bridesmaids' bad ideas, you'll learn how to accomplish all your duties without an ounce of bitterness and with total grace. With the advice, tips, timetables, and lists provided here, you'll confidently slip into your new role and look forward to creating amazing memories of this exciting time in both of your lives.

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Everyone knows being a bride can be tough, but bridesmaids don't exactly have it easy either--"and they don't even get a spouse for their trouble. There are tons of bride guides out there, but now, thanks to Stein and Talbot, there's one for bridesmaids too. From once you've said yes and climbed aboard the bridal party boat to when you're back at the helm of your own ship, this book covers it all. Seasoned bridesmaids Stein and Talbot provide a worksheet to estimate your budget, a detailed chronological checklist beginning nine months before and ending the day of the wedding, and tips for assembling a toolkit that will ensure you are prepared for any minor disasters. They also suggest

some future-mother-in-law-friendly themes for the bridal shower, like a Downton Abbey tea service, as well as a few ideas for the generally more risquÃ© bachelorette party. Finally, they cover the most common wedding procedures by denomination, outlining exactly what will occur during the processional, ceremony, and recessional. The bridesmaid, the authors write, is an emotional ballast, a troubleshooter, and a hostess. To put it bluntly, bridesmaid, you're going to need all the help you can get. Stein and Talbot are there for you. Agent: Elisabeth Weed, Weed Literary. (Aug.)

Sarah Stein and Lucy Talbot are the authors of *The Bridesmaidâ™s Guerrilla Handbook*.

This book was very helpful. I was asked to be my friend's maid of honor and this gave me great ideas for creating a team environment with the other bridesmaids and working together to make my friend's day special.

I loved this book, and it help me prepare for a wedding. All bridal party members must read it before a wedding.

This is a good book not only for the bridesmaids but the bride herself, especially if she would like to keep her friendship with her bridesmaids. There are worksheets, charts and checklists - where to stand, bridal shower list, budgets, etc. Timetables and ways to save money help out as do what the duties and roles are of bridesmaids are. Reminders include what should be brought to the wedding, things you might not think of, such as aspirin, band aids, and tape. You can discover what type of bridesmaid you are type A with a spread sheet, the romantic, and the reluctant among others. Body types are included and advice on what to wear. This would help anyone that is a bridesmaid - 1st time or 20th, including the bride. One can only hope that the contract for bridesmaid confidentiality at the end would not be needed among your good friends and relatives.

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