

timeline of an invitation

10 -11 months before event: Begin thinking about event theme/ invitation design and if buying (instead of DIY) invitations, order samples.

5 months before event: Have a preliminary guest list and gather all guest addresses.

8 -12 weeks before event: Send out invitations!

9 -11 months before event: Send out Save the Dates.*

4 months before event: If you have guests who are traveling long distance, send their invitations at least 16 weeks in advance to give them ample time to make travel arrangements, book flights, etc. Same goes for destination weddings.

4-6 weeks before event: Send out rehearsal dinner invites.



*Save the Dates usually go out before you really start to get into wedding planning, so don't worry about matching your Save the Dates to whatever design you decide to go with for your invitations.