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WEDDING PLANS AS GOOD TV

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I wait all week for my favorite television program, for its 48 minutes of excellence. While it airs, part of me wants time to slow down; I cannot bear for the mediated bliss to conclude. The rest of me wants to skip to the end; I suffer from crippling impatience. I savor every moment, but long for the big finish.

With this same manic enthusiasm, I've been planning my wedding. I've been waiting since childhood to be a bride, and even though preparing for the big day has been a lovely burden, I cannot wait for the scheduling to stop and the marrying to begin. There's nothing like basking in bridal attention, when everything is hearts and roses and exciting, but I'm ready for the finale, and the widely anticipated sequel (marriage). I love where I am now, but can't wait to get where I'm going.

My sweetheart and I spent more than we budgeted on our photographer, who promised to capture the moments we will want to remember. We'll look back on these pictures like we would watch a re-run of a great episode of a great series. During our first anniversary dinner, I plan to show my husband what I've written about this time before our wedding. He'll see how I felt like the luckiest girl in the whole world to be his bride.

I think the same philosophy applies to both good television and planning a wedding with someone you love: live happily in the moment, wait excitedly for the future, and do what you can to remember, and relish, and rejoice in the beautiful and unique minutes of our lives.