

HIRE IN STYLE

WEDDING TOP TIPS

Hello and Welcome!

We are so excited that you have joined our Hire in Style Family. You've taken the right steps towards creating a beautiful wedding and we'll do absolutely everything we can to assist you in achieving perfection.

We love helping people create UNFORGETTABLE events and that's why we wanted to share some tools with you to help you with your planning journey. It's taken us years to figure out how to run seamless and timeless events. We know you're going to love our simple tips and tools for helping you create YOUR perfect wedding.

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TOP 5 TIPS

Written by Hire in Style

TIP 1 - KNOW YOUR PRIORITIES

When keeping to a budget identify what your priorities are, whether it be a relaxing seating space for guests, high end tableware or feature lighting. Always make sure you start at the top of your list then work your way down from the most important to the least.

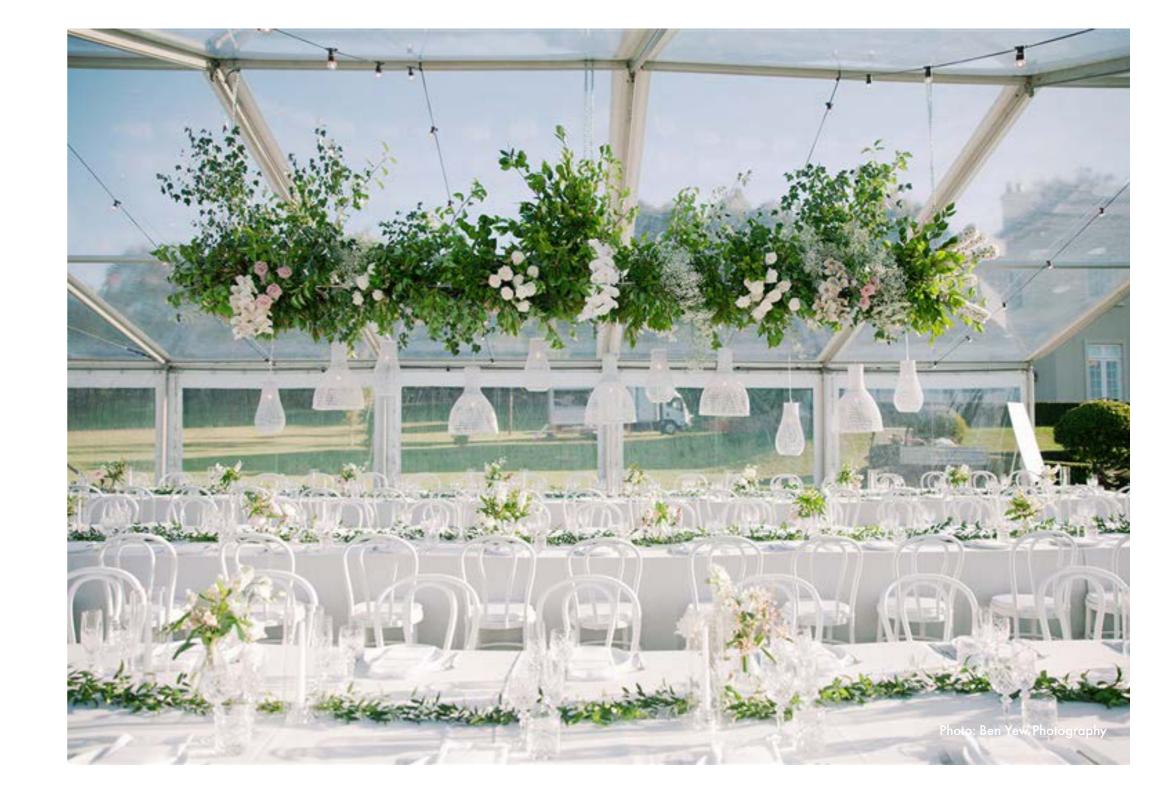
This will ensure you achieve your priorities.

TIP 2 - HAVE A CLEAR VISION

Have a clear idea of what your theme or styling vision is and ensure you share this with your vendors enabling them to offer you suggestions and ideas based on your vision. Whether it be a beachy cocktail reception, or marquee with long table dining and moody lighting, we can help provide the best advice and turn your vision into a reality.

TIP 3 - DO YOUR RESEARCH

Make sure you do your research on the venue you choose and see if there is anything the venue does provide such as furniture, tableware or coordination services. This can help with prioritising your budget and may leave room to splurge on those few things you have always wanted.



TIP 4 - DIY

If you are thinking of going DIY for your wedding or event, please make sure to keep a few things in mind. Even though this may be saving you money, it may also bring a lot of stress and anxiety around your special day, especially if you are time limited.

If you do choose to do some DIY be realistic about what is achievable for yourself, family and friends in the days leading up to your event and prioritise what is important to you. Maybe think about outsourcing some things to help take the pressure off to ensure you can enjoy your day to the fullest.

TIP 5 - ASK THE EXPERTS

This is probably the most important tip of all....ask for help!

Planning all your furniture, décor items and tableware can be an overwhelming and confusing task. Just remember the team at Hire in Style do this all the time so please make sure you ask questions. We are here to provide guidance and advice not only with regard to the items you are hiring, but in every aspect of your day



TOP 5 TIPS - PHOTOGRAPHY

Written by Lee Griffith

TIP 1 - ENJOY THE DAY

Your wedding has been months in the planning and you have finally pulled it all together for what is about to be an amazing day. It's time to relax and let all of your hard work and planning pay off. It's so easy to forget to let go and enjoy the day. The more you enjoy the day, the more fun and smiles you will have – and it shows in the photos!

TIP 2 - BE PRESENT WITH YOUR PARTNER AND ENJOY THEIR COMPANY

This sounds obvious I know. But remember the most important reason you are getting married – because you love each other. It's so easy to forget to let go, enjoy yourself and be present. So my advice is to engage with your partner on many levels; touch, talk and smile with them. This is so much nicer than having me prompt you to 'put your arms around each other'. Put simply, if you enjoy each other, the photos will be so much more natural and true to your personality.

TIP 3 - ALLOCATE THE RIGHT AMOUNT OF TIME FOR PHOTOS

Most couples I photograph are super excited to get back and start the party, and share their day with family and friends. And really, who can blame them – it's a pretty awesome day. But if you really want to enjoy the photos after the ceremony - don't rush it. Especially if you want amazing images. The less you rush, the more you will enjoy the session and the better the photos will be. If you are pushed for time after the ceremony, consider the following ideas; do a first look photo session. Not only will this relax some of the pre ceremony nerves, but it will also provide some great images. The other thing you can do is to simplify your photo locations. Think about using only one location. Less travel time means more party time!



TIP 4 - HAVE A WELL ORGANISED TIMELINE

A clear and detailed run sheet will keep everyone on track. Make sure to provide this well in advance of your wedding day. Things that are important include: bridal party names and a few relevant telephone numbers. Exact addresses of each location or stop. The duration of time spent at each location or, expected duration of each significant portion of the day, Eg. Ceremony, family photos, bridal photos. Keeping on track, or very close to it, will keep everyone happy. The bridal party and the guests!

TIP 5 - HAVE FAITH IN THE PHOTOGRAPHIC PROCESS

Ok so you've paid for an expert photographer, you have discussed a clear brief and communicated on what the most important parts of the day are. Now let them go to work for you! This links in closely to tip 1. Sit back and relax and trust that I will find the right light, lens and position for you in the location of your choice.



TOP 5 TIPS - CELEBRANT

Written by Sarah Thompson Celebrant & Anna Jane Celebrant

TIP 1 - STAY TRUE

Stay true to what YOU want for your ceremony. Don't give into the pressure to fulfill everyone's expectations. It's not your Grandma's, your Mum's or your Great-Aunt's wedding. It's yours and should be a reflection of you.

TIP 2 - WRITING YOUR VOWS

Write your own vows. It is 100 percent worth it. Your words for each other create the magic of your ceremony.

TIP 3 - INVOLVING OTHERS

Involve family and friends in elements such as readings and speeches within your ceremony. Involvement from your loved ones will make it all the more memorable for you.

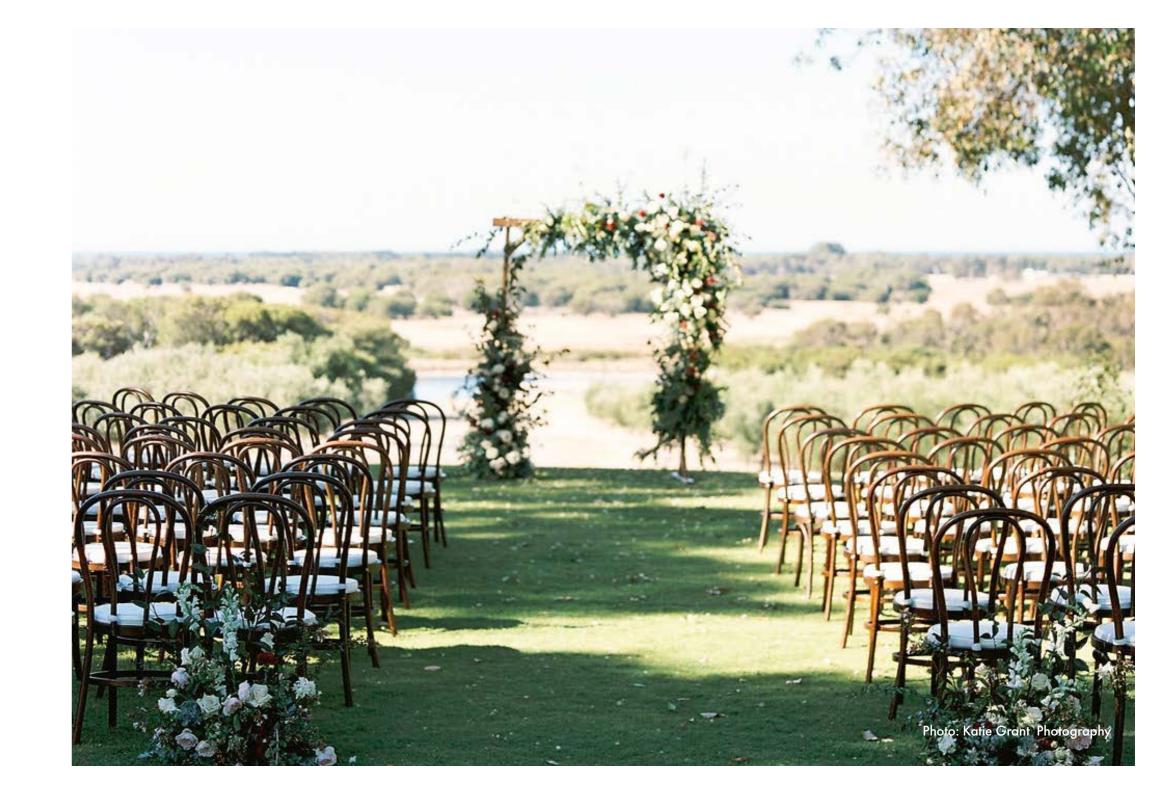
TIP 4 - MAKING IT PERSONAL

Give your celebrant the power to personalise your ceremony, by giving us an insight into yourselves as individuals and as a couple, so we can make your ceremony just right.

TIP 5 - PRIORITISE

Don't treat the ceremony as an afterthought. This is the only time in your life you get to say to your partner how much they mean to you in front of everyone you love.

Trust us when we say, the significance of this moment should be celebrated in a beautifully authentic ceremony.



TOP 5 TIPS - STYLING

Written by Gather & Hunt

TIP 1 - CHOOSE YOUR VENUE CAREFULLY

Consider style -Choosing a venue will be one of the first and most important decisions you will make when planning your wedding. Think about the look or style of your wedding and picture it in the space. Does it work? An ultra-sleek and modern wedding is not going to work in a rustic stone homestead.

Venue restrictions - Ask the venue what they do and do not allow in terms of styling. Not every venue allows you to take down their furnishings, have open flames, hanging installations, or anything stuck to walls! Make sure to check if they allow you to bring in furniture from external suppliers too – some only allow couples to use the venue's furniture, or businesses from their own preferred supplier list.

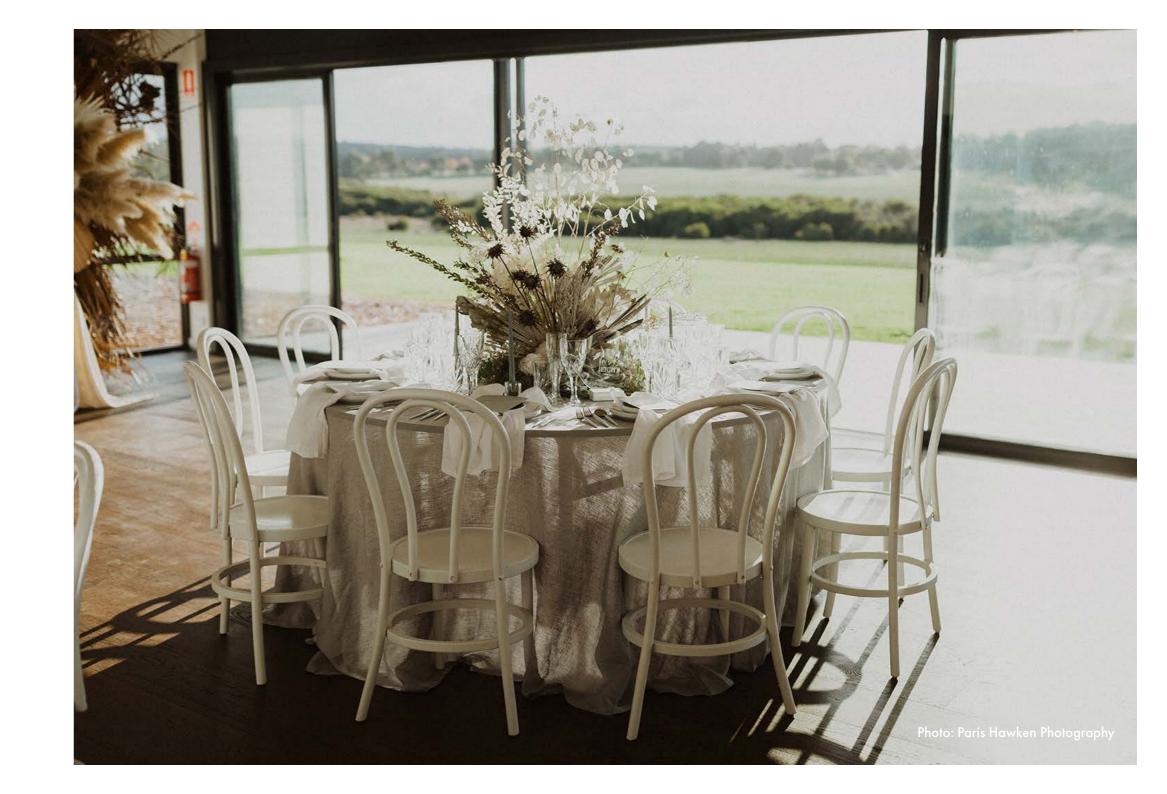
Plan B - Check out the venue's wet weather options, in case you need to resort to Plan B on the day. Will you need a marquee as back-up in case of rain? Factor this into your budget. Dry guests are happy guests!

TIP 2 - DONT RELY ON TRENDS

You don't want to look back in ten years and cringe at your stylistic choices. I always advise clients not to choose a style just because it's trending, rather choose one that reflects you and your partner's personal style and unique personalities.

TIP 3 - MAKE IT PERSONAL

The most memorable weddings are the ones that feature some personal touches – DIY favours, a dessert table laden with sweets from old family recipes, or bouquets foraged with friends from the family property are all beautiful, meaningful ways to really personalise your day.



TIP 4 - MAKE PINTEREST YOUR MUSE

Search anything wedding related in Pinterest and you will come up with thousands of pics that can spark inspiration or ideas for your own wedding. Pin to a secret board anything that grabs you. You will notice a theme or style emerging which will form the basis of your stylistic choices.

TIP: Don't just search weddings! Find inspiration in interiors, colours, installation art – anything! WARNING: Highly addictive.

TIP 5 - THERE IS HELP!

Completely stuck on what style works for you? A professional wedding stylist can help you narrow in on a look that you and your partner will love, based on your likes, dislikes and personalities. Having a solid style will make it so much easier when it comes to making decisions on furniture, decorative elements, stationery, florals, cake and lighting, and a stylist will make sure everything works in harmony.



TOP 5 TIPS - FLORIST

Written by Lush Floral Designs

TIP 1 - AVAILABILITY

Make sure you're open to changes, certain flowers are seasonal and might not be available for your day.

TIP 2 - BE ORIGINAL

Make your dream day your own, be true to yourself. We get so caught up in current trends and Pinterest that we lose sight of what our own style is.

TIP 3 - DO YOUR HOMEWORK

Not all florists are the same nor do they have the same style. Look around and find out which style suits yours.

TIP 4 - LOOK AT THE BIG PICTURE

On the day look at what's really important, somethings are out of your control e.g weather. Always have a plan B and C, take it how it comes and just enjoy your day.

TIP 5 - BE REALISTIC

A lot of brides planning their day don't really know the true cost of flowers. If you want lots of installations and arrangements for you day then let the florist know your budget so they can let you know what's achievable.



TOP 5 TIPS - HAIR

Written by Kate Samiotis Hair

TIP 1 - IMAGES

Images, the more the better, images you like, love or hate of all angles of the hair.

TIP 2 - TRAIL

Book a trial & get to know your stylist, we are here for any advice needed

TIP 3 - ORGANISATION

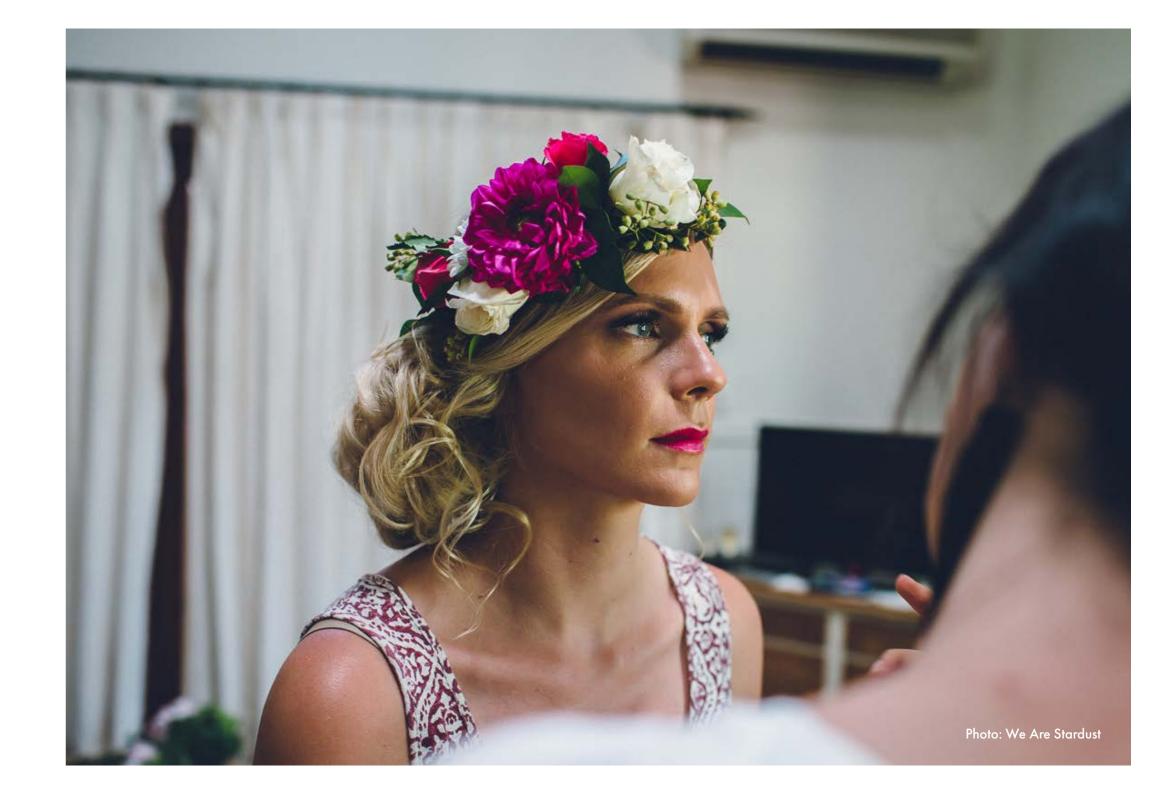
Be organised, have a morning timeline and all bridesmaids present for hair/makeup, more time taken on disorganised bridesmaids is less time for the bride.

TIP 4 - BE REALISTIC

Be realistic, choose a style which suits your hair type, faceshape and desire style for the day.

TIP 5 - ENJOY & RELAX

Enjoy the pampering, sit, relax & breathe, ask questions if there's any concerns with your hair style.



TOP 5 TIPS - MAKEUP

Written by Carissa Robinson

TIP 1 - TANNING

Ilf you plan to have a spray tan for the wedding day be sure to have a trial run at least 5-6 weeks before. This gives you an idea of depth of colour and how the skin reacts. Spray tan for the day should be prepared with a whole body exfoliation to be performed 2 days prior.

TIP 2 - WAXING

All waxing needs to be done no less than 3 days before the wedding day, this allows time for the skin to settle.

TIP 3 - MAKEUP

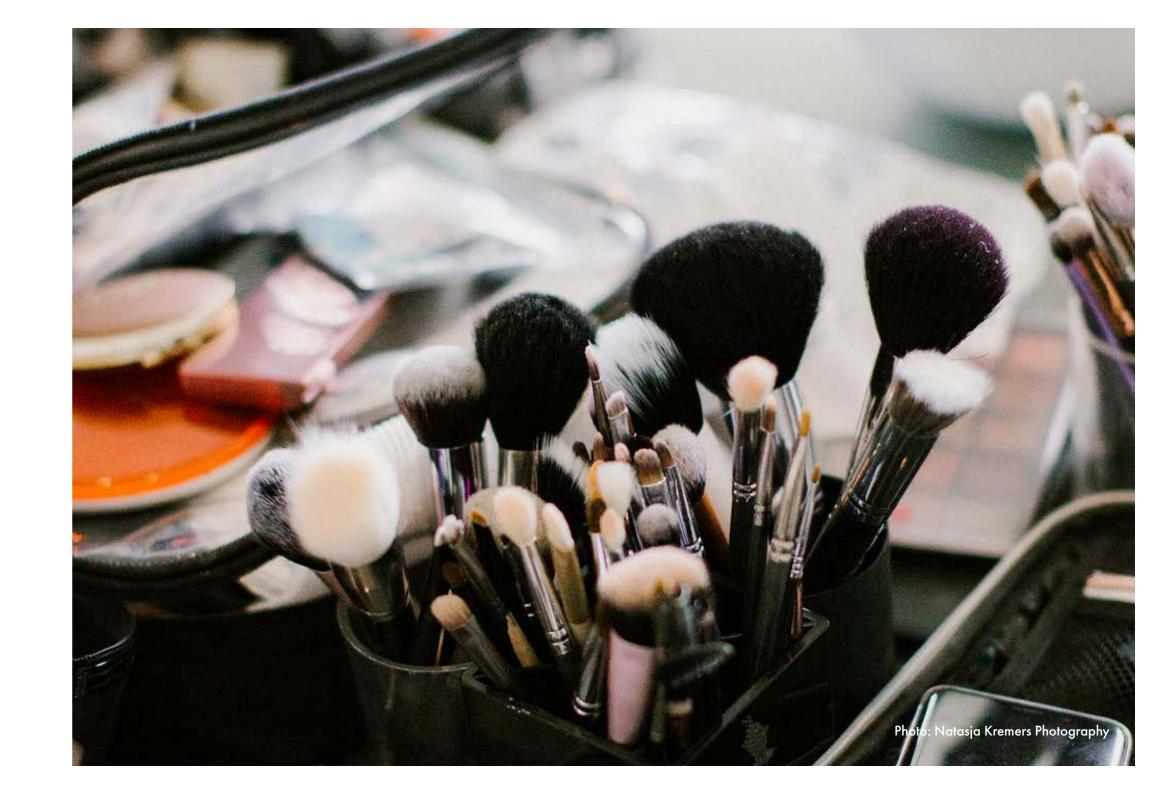
Please, please make sure the bridesmaids have a little makeup kit ready for the day, include lipstick, lipgloss, powder, foundation, eyeliner and cotton buds, and some breath mints. A well cleansed, exfoliated, hydrated skin on the day is ideal for the makeup artist.

TIP 4 - TRIAL

Arrange a makeup trial so your makeup artist can match your foundation colour to your tan, that way you get to know your makeup artist and any concerns that you may have can be discussed.

TIP 5 - ENJOY YOURSELF

Try to keep an open mind when it comes to your Wedding. It is what it is and enjoy the moments and memories that are coming your way!





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