

# Marriages in Saudi Arabia

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### Why Marriage?

Religious duty & a moral safeguard as well as a social necessity. A legitimate or halal way to indulge in intimacy between a man and a woman.



### Bride & Groom Meeting:

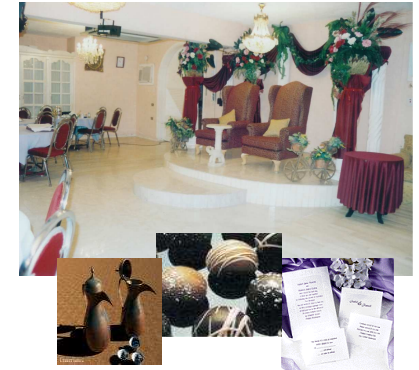
In the presence of their families both will meet. Upon both agreement the groom will present a small gift to the bride ( Rawda).



### Wedding Ballroom

Preparations are similar for the engagement and the wedding.

Ballrooms are prepared to be segregated. One for women and one for men.



### For a marriage to be valid:

1. consent of both parties.
2. Mahr" a gift from the groom to his bride.
3. Witnesses.
4. The marriage should be publicized.



### Engagement: ( Milka)

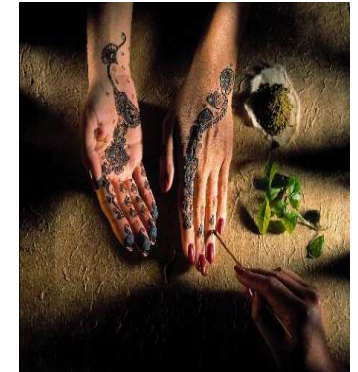
Marriage contract is done by the Mathoon( religious Man) at home or at the Mosque.

Maher ( dowary) is presented to the guardian of the bride to deliver it. Celebration follow the rituals.



### Henna Night:

Bride is joined by her family and friends before the day of the marriage to celebrate.



### Meeting & Marriage Proposal:

Marriages are arranged between families as long as both parties agree.

A date is set for families to meet at the bride house, where the proposal takes palce.



### Wedding Cultural Ceremonies

Zafa ( groom& bride walk).

Wedding Bands.

Wedding Cake.

Pictures, dance.

