

### BUYING GUIDE:

Choosing a wedding ring is probably one of the most important decisions you'll have to make. It is crucial to choose the right one for you as it is intended to be worn every day for the rest of your life.

Here at Wedding Rings UK we have an extensive collection of wedding rings to cover virtually every design and type currently available today, so whatever style wedding ring your looking for, your guaranteed to find it on our website. This buying guide will assist your wedding ring purchase, it contains lots of helpful hints and tips to consider.

The main considerations when choosing a wedding ring:

- \* Metal and colour
- \* Budget
- \* Profile
- \* Would you like a plain or patterned ring?
- \* Do you want a diamond or diamonds in it?
- \* Does the style you like compliment or fit around your engagement ring?

#### Metal and colour

The first decision you need to make is which metal you prefer, the most popular metals used in wedding rings are usually yellow gold, white gold and platinum. Often this choice will be defined by the metal chosen for your engagement ring. We don't usually recommend mixing metals as they can sometimes cause wear and tear by rubbing against each other and you may find in the future that one of them will need replacing.



#### YELLOW GOLD

Yellow Gold is still the most popular precious metal used in wedding rings, it comes in a variety of weights – most commonly 9ct, 18ct and 24ct with 24 carats being pure gold and lower ratings proportionally less.

Gold is dense, soft, shiny and the most malleable pure metal known which means it can be easily altered if your finger size changes.



#### WHITE GOLD

White Gold contains all the properties of yellow gold but is generally rhodium plated to enhance the whiteness.

High-carat white gold alloys are far more resistant to corrosion than are either pure silver or sterling silver.



#### PLATINUM

Platinum is the most precious metal used in wedding rings and also the most expensive.

This metal is rarer, harder and more precious than gold, due to its purity platinum jewellery is hypoallergenic, therefore ideal for sensitive skin. Platinum is a shiny silver coloured metal.

#### Budget

You need to have a fixed idea of what your budget is and how much you are prepared to spend on a wedding ring, bearing in mind that this is usually a once in a lifetime purchase. Obviously the more you can afford to spend the more pure the Gold and more precious and durable the metal will be. If you are contemplating a wedding ring with diamonds in this will cost you considerably more than a plain metal ring.