Muslim * Weddings

A Nikkah is a sacred religious ceremony for a Muslim couple to be legally wed under Islamic law. Channel your energies into understanding and appreciating the spiritual and emotional significance of the ceremony.

Pre-Wedding:

- 1. The Engagement: Ensure that both the bride and groom willingly consent to the marriage, as well as the families consent holds a vital role in Nikkah.
- 2. The Mehndi and/or Sangeet: A pre celebration with the bride having her professional henna application done, along with family members.

Wedding Day/ Nikkah:

- 1. Select a date that aligns with the convenience of both families and the couple. The Nikkah can be conducted at a mosque, home, or any suitable and respectful venue.
- 2. The Nikkah ceremony is where the marriage contract is signed, invite a witness and a religious official Imam or Qazi. Marriage vows are exchanged, and the terms of the contract are agreed upon.
- 3. The groom traditionally presents a Mahr (Dowry) to the bride to symbolise commitment, which can be an agreed-upon gift or sum of money.
- 4. Reach out to an Islamic scholar, imam, or qualified individual to officiate the Nikkah, ensuring that the ceremony aligns with Islamic traditions.
- 5. Following the Nikkah contract, the officiant may impart a brief sermon (khutbah) highlighting the significance of marriage in Islam.

Post Wedding:

- 1. Walima: After the Nikkah, a modest reception where family and friends extend their congratulations. This can include a simple meal, sweets, or a casual gathering. Typically, a celebratory feast hosted by the groom's family, often held on a separate date.
- 2. Follow UK legal regulations, ensure that the marriage is officially registered by law in country.