

Countdown to Baby To-Do List

- Pack your hospital bag and keep it close by during your final weeks of pregnancy
- Confirm where to park your car and enter the hospital when you're in labor
- Finalize your birth plan and print it out
- Have a car seat installed in at least one car
- Stock up on diapers and wipes
- Launder and organize your baby's clothes and gear
- Prepare baby's bassinet or crib with a clean sheet
- Confirm your "game day" plan with your partner and parents/close family members
- Program all important phone numbers in your and your partner's cell phone
- Keep your cell phone charged at all times and keep your phone charger handy
- Keep your gas tank at least a quarter full
- Arrange for childcare if you have children
- Plan your pet care if you have any pets
- Make a hide-a-key or copy of your house key for your sitters or helpers
- Tie up any loose ends at work and don't start any big new projects
- Narrow down your baby name list to just a few options
- Decide whether you would like to have your baby circumcised, if it's a boy
- Touch base with the pediatrician you selected
- Line up postpartum helpers willing to drop off dinners or assist with other tasks
- Get excited for your bundle of joy to arrive!

