

What to expect during your session with

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PHOTOGRAPHY



Preparing for Your Session



What to Wear

You want to coordinate, not match

Everyone has seen photos of a family in the same polo shirt and jeans, so rather than all wear the same thing, try to find similar colors and outfits that compliment each other.

Start With One Piece and Work Around it

Pick one family members outfit (usually Mom's) and then create outfits for everyone else around what she is wearing. Creating one outfit at a time can help make the process less stressful!

Pick a Color Palette

Start with a palette of 3-5 colors and then mix and match those colors through out all of the outfits. Accessories can be a great way to bring in an extra pop of color in an outfit!



Use a mix of Solids & Patterns

Try to avoid having too many patterns or all the same pattern. Also avoid very tight patterns as they can photograph oddly. Use a good mix of patterns and solids: remember, coordinating, not matching!



Avoid Neon, Logos & Ball Caps

Neon colors tend to reflect on to other people and give them a strange glow. Unless you want to feature a logo (maybe your business!) avoid logos as they can be distracting. Ball caps cause dark shadows on the face and in the eyes



Be comfortable!

Make sure you feel confident in what you are wearing! It will help you love having photos taken. Who doesn't love feeling like a rock star?



Make Sure You are in the Right Mindset

This can be really tough! But when you are getting everyone ready for your family session, keeping things relaxed will make sure the session goes nice and smooth. It can be hard with a grumpy husband who doesn't care about getting his photo taken, or a toddler who doesn't want to put their pants on. Planning ahead by making sure all clothes are ready will help!

Don't be Afraid to Bribe the Kids!
Whether you use candy, a favorite toy, or ice cream on the way home, this is a time that bribery will work very well for your kids! Or your husband!

Be Sure to Arrive Early!
Give yourself plenty of time to leave and get to the location. We all know that anything can happen and one explosive diaper or unruly teenager (or threenager!) can make you run behind.



Relax!

We want you to have fun at your session! Be silly with the kids, give your spouse a kiss on the cheek when it feels right and don't worry about smiling straight at the camera. We will make sure to get the photos of everyone looking at the camera for Grandma's fridge, but you will love the ones of your family being your family the most! If it doesn't feel like it's going "right", just go with it! Trust us to make sure your photos look great and focus on enjoying your time with your family.



What To Expect During The Session

I usually start with the simple poses and let everyone get used to the camera. Don't worry if these ones don't turn out or no one has a real smile yet. Just think of these as a warm up! We'll get all of the posed photos done first, this way we make sure we keep the kids attention! Then we get to the fun ones. I usually will step back and let your family do your own thing and capture you as you are. This is when I get the genuine smiles and the love between all of you. This also gives kids a chance to do their own thing. Silly faces and tickling are completely acceptable during this part! If there is anything specific you want to try, please just let me know! All I ask is that you trust me!



Design Consultation

About a week after your session, we'll get together for your Design Consultation. This is your opportunity to view the photos we've created and to order the ones you wish to own. Please be sure that anyone who will be helping you with your portrait selection is present! It can be tough to choose!

You'll also be able to see all of your Signature Art Piece options. We'll assist you in selecting the best images and Art Pieces to suit your needs for your home and for sharing with family and friends.



Paying for Your Session

When you first book your session you will receive an invoice for a session fee. This can be paid for through paypal, over the phone by credit or debit card, or by mailing a check. After the session, when you have picked out your Signature Art pieces and images, you will receive another invoice which can be paid through the same methods.



Leave a Review

If you love your photos as much as we do, a review would mean the world to us! We love seeing client feedback and it helps future clients. You can leave a review on Facebook or on Google. If there is anything we can do to help make the experience better, please send us an email! We are always looking for ways to make sessions an exciting time for everyone!



Ordering More Art Pieces

After you have ordered your favorite Signature Art pieces and images, your images will be available in an online gallery. From this gallery you can download and share the images or purchase more art pieces. You can also reorder by contacting us! We are always happy to help with your photography needs! If you have any questions about reordering please to do not hesitate to ask!



THANK YOU!



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