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Photo Shoot Necessities

We want you to get the most out of your photography session, so the following is a list of items that you'll want to bring for the photo-shoot. This is merely a suggested list & not intended to be used as a "guideline" for the photo-shoot. Experience has shown that a little planning and preparation goes a long way. This list contains some hints that will help you get the best results possible. Any further ideas that you may have for the list to bring to use on the photo-shoot is encouraged & welcomed.

Remember

When choosing your pieces, the most important thing is that you like the items you bring, and feel comfortable wearing them. Variety is also important.

Ladies

Bring the color, outfits, and styles you feel best in. Most people choose some casual and some dressy outfits. Dresses (formal), sweater, a nice blouse and lace work for a more traditional look. Bring some clothing in solids rather than too much pattern. Avoid turtlenecks, cowl-necks, and short sleeves in favor of V-necks and long sleeves (at least 3/4 length). For a more contemporary touch, feel free to do your own thing. Stay away from sleeveless outfits – sometimes more flesh adds weight. Bring colors, pattern, jeans, metallics, or whatever is in vogue for you. Let's try to capture your total personality!

Guys

For those traditional looks, we would suggest a suit or sport coat with a neatly pressed shirt and appropriate tie, but this is not what we're aiming for, so be sure to keep it hip, fresh & yourself. Also if you like, you can choose to go with a more casual look; an open collar shirt or a sweater. And for the casual look, comfort is the rule - jeans or whatever!

Children

Dress them like kids, age appropriate clothes, nothing too frilly for little girls, colourful/fun clothes. When photographing children it is suggested that you choose their best time of day, and schedule around naps and feeding times. Simple clothing choices are preferred; please do not dress your child in something with busy prints or logos. When doing newborn photographs, please remove your baby's socks within a half hour of our appointment time. Please have your children dressed, and ready to go for their session. This includes hair combing, and having their faces clean. Children are more likely to become grouchy if they are fussed with too much before the session.

What Else To Bring

This is where the fun begins! Bring your favorite hat, jacket, and musical instrument. Do you have a favorite hobby or sport? Use your imagination and bring anything that will make your photo your own.

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Make-up And Hair Styling

If you do get a haircut or a perm, do so a week or two prior to your session, so it will have a chance to "fill in" a bit. Try to avoid doing anything that is too new or different for you. Regarding make-up, do your normal thing. Try not to overdo. Ladies, pay extra attention to lips and eyes. A little lip color is better than none at all. Guys, a fresh shave is **a must!** But, be careful and do a good job. Retouching can remove blemishes but not what the razor leaves behind.

A Fun Attitude

You'll like the results you get when you have fun during your photography session. When you enjoy yourself, your expressions will be more natural and appealing, and people will notice the positive difference when they see your portraits. Plus, this isn't about being a stress-case, chill & have fun during the session, let loose, get funky, be fresh, be yourself!

Here's a "Check-Off" list that will help you in preparing for your day

- Blue Jeans
- Black Jeans
- White T-shirt
- Black T-shirt
- Shorts
- Bikini/bathing suit
- Fun Skirts
- Tennis Shoes
- Socks
- Sandals
- Boots/casual shoes
- Undergarments (variation of bras – normal to strapless & panties – normal to g-string)
- Funky pants
- Accessories (bag, backpack, sunglasses, fun-stuff)



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- Jewelry (earrings, necklaces, bracelets, etc.)
- Watch
- Makeup (powder, base, eyeliner, mascara, blush, lip liner, eye shadow, etc.)
- Hair-care products (spritz, hairspray, brush, scrunchies, hairclips, etc.)
- Portable manicure kit (for potential breaks, chips, etc.)
- Portable First Aid Kit (band aids for boo-boos)
- Favourite shirt, pants, shorts, shoes, etc. (something that you really enjoy & is special & would like to wear/use in the photo)
- Skirt & matching top
- Belts
- Rock-n-roll outfit
- Casual outfit
- Nice suit & tie
- Willingness to Try
- Desire to Have FUN & Get CRAZY! 😊
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