

Clothing

Coordinating clothing with family members is paramount to having a spectacular family portrait. In your complimentary family portrait session consultation prior to your family session we will discuss how best to coordinate colors, fabrics and outfits in those who will be photographed.

Whites, pastels and earth tones in solid colors look best where prints and patterns will distract attention from faces. Bright colors can work, but sometimes will be overpowering.

Props

Do you like to camp, motorcycle, bicycle or do other activities as a family? We can photograph you with your vehicle, boat, camper or any object that defines your family's personality and style.

Pets

Pets are best photographed in their home environment and will not be photographed in our studio. If you would like a portrait with your dog, cat, horse or other pet, big or small, please schedule a session at a location of your choice.

Glasses

Removing glass glare from your portraits adds cost to your portrait order. Please have your lenses removed from your eyeglasses for your portrait session or pick up a matching empty frame from your eyeglass provider.

Hair

If you are going to get your hair cut and styled prior to your portrait session it is often best to have that done one or two weeks prior to the photo session. If photographed immediately after having a new hair cut and style you may not look like you in your portraits.

Mustaches and beards should be neatly trimmed, otherwise a fresh shave looks best.

Make-Up

Keep your make-up natural and bring it along for those necessary touch ups. Powder is essential to keep your skin looking smooth and beautiful so bring some along.

Sunburn

Avoid the sun and tanning booths prior to your portrait session. A little sun looks good, but we can't take the red out of a sunburn.

Sense of Humor

Your portrait session will be comfortable, relaxed, informal and fun. We'll talk, we'll laugh and we'll capture in your portraits who you are. So bring your sense of humor along above all else.

Children

Sometimes children get shy or get loud and rambunctious when they are going to be photographed. Feel free to bring water or clear soda and a treat like hard candy or something that isn't messy that the children can have as a treat for behaving. Let them bring a favorite toy to play with. If your child is comfortable and relaxed, the distractions of a portrait session won't stress them out. And that in turn won't stress you out and your portraits will be beautiful and the experience memorable—in a good way!

Timeline for Payments, Preview Delivery and Portrait Delivery:

- Session fees are due when you schedule a session.
- Your preview portfolio, if ordered, will be mailed about 10 days after your portrait session. Online previews will be available in about 7 days.
- If you are scheduling more than one session, the preview portfolio will be mailed after the final portrait session. Online previews will be available after the final portrait session.
- Payment is due in full when portraits are ordered.
- Normal delivery time for finished portraits is 3 to 4 weeks. You will be contacted when your order is ready and an appointment made to deliver the order to you.