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2022 FAMILY PHOTOGRAPHY GUIDE

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What is a family pholograp session?

Do you ever look at your kids and wish you could freeze them in this time right now, exactly how they are? Their freckles, their fingers, the way they giggle and play with their brothers, or give hugs to dad, kisses to mom. Our family photography sessions are full of just that. We spend up to an hour playing, smiling, tickling, hugging, laughing and kissing to get the best shots of your family candidly and posed. We will get tons of shots of the whole family together, mom and kids, dad and kids, mom and dad together, siblings together and individuals of each child.

You will cherish these pictures forever when your kids are older and you have something to remember them when they were little.

FAMILY

PHOTOGRAPHY



UP TO 6 INDIVIDUALS \$450 \$10 for each additional person

All sessions are up to 60 minutes and you will receive at least 75 edited images. We will get every grouping combination including mom and kids, mom and daughters, dad and kids, dad and sons, etc. and individual portraits of each child, as well as a mom and dad only shot. Locations included are within a 30 mile radius of Spanish Fork, UT and locations outside of that will have an additional travel fee. Some locations also have a shooting fee which will be added to the total.

EXTENDED FAMILY

PHOTOGRAPHY



All sessions are up to an hour and a half and you will receive at least 50 edited images. Extended family sessions come with at least one whole group shot, grandchildren, grandchildren and grandparents, siblings, and we spend about 5-10 minutes with each individual family to get at least 3 poses, their children together, and parents together.

Extended family sessions do not come with individual portraits of family members. It may be added on for \$5 a person. Extended sessions also do not include special posing for individual families like mom and daughters, etc. but can also be added on for \$10 per grouping.

WHAT TO EXPECT

FAMILY SESSIONS



WHAT TYPE OF PICTURES SHOULD I EXPECT?

Every type of picture! We spend the first 15 minutes (When kids are the best) getting poses of everyone looking at the camera and smiling. Then we play and get candid and fun shots. We also get mom and kids, dad and kids, mom and daughter, dad and sons, etcl (Extended families are photographed differently. Please refer to the extended family page to read about what type of pictures are included)

HOW CAN I PREPARE FOR THE SESSION?

You should arrive to the session at least 10 minutes early to make sure everyone is out of the car, fully dressed, and ready to go when the session begins. If you are worried about kids spilling in the car, please bring them in a different outfit and change them once you get there. Refer to the next page for more tips on preparing for your session.

DOES THE PHOTOGRAPHER PICK THE IMAGES?

Yes, I will pick and edit at least 50 images.

DO I GET TO PICK THE LOCATION?

Yes! Unless you picked a back-to-back session, you will be picking the location from a list I will send you 1-3 weeks before. If you chose a back-to-back session, the location will be chosen for you.

CAN I SHOW YOU A PINTEREST BOARD OF PICTURES I WANT?

You can choose your favorite 1-2 images and we will try to get them. Every family and session is different. Pinterest is is a great resource but it is full of photographers' very best and favorite shot from their session, so to expect a whole pinterest board of the very best work from multiple photographers is just unrealistic and it doesn't allow me to use my own creativity during the shoot, resulting in everyone being unhappy.

HOW TO PREPARE

FAMILY SESSIONS



EAT BEFORE + BRING SNACKS + TREATS

Your kids will not do well on empty stomachs. Grab dinner before (in a change of clothes!) to help with hangry moods, plus bring snacks. Please do not bring colored snacks, things that get stuck in teeth, or are hard to chew and product a lot of extra saliva, like suckers, goldfish, chocolate, gummy bears, etc. The best snacks to bring are pretzels, marshmallows, smarties, or cheerios.

DON'T LET YOUR KIDS FALL ASLEEP IN THE CAR

Kids are happiest during the first 15 minutes of a family session and most kids take at least 20 minutes to fully wake up from their nap. Its really hard to get great shots when that important first chunk of time is actually spent waking up.

SMILE EVEN WHEN YOUR KIDS AREN'T

Yes, Photoshop works sometimes but not every time. If you try to keep a smile on your face the whole time, then we will get amazing pictures when your kids smile!

OFFER A BRIBE

This works great for kids 3 and up! Offer to get a treat after, a toy from the dollar store, or an actual dollar!

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER

In the spring and fall months, layer up so you can take layers off if its too hot, but always plan for colder weather. Please do not bring your children dressed in thin clothes or dresses without tights or layers in the winter. They will be so much happier if they are overdressed with hats, gloves, jackets and layers. Make sure your jackets coordinate with your outfits so if they have to stay on, you still look great!

PLAY AND HAVE FUN

Your kids will feed off of your energy. Make this a fun experience for them by being happy and playful rather than scolding them. I've been doing this for a long time and the best results always come from families who play and giggle together.