

Natural Bliss Photography

Pre-Session Guide

Prior to your scheduled photoshoot with me, there are a few important things to do or take into consideration so that your session will run smoothly. Here they are below.

NOTE: The below points are after you have successfully booked or scheduled a session with me. Meaning that the deposit's been paid, and you've been added to my Google calendar.

- If you or your family members are shy in front of the camera, it is always good to practice your smiles or poses in front of a large mirror so you can be comfortable in front of my camera which can be a little intimidating.
- If you have kids, have your child/children practice, and teach them the importance of taking photos. Example, have them sit still for 1 minute or longer and reward them for sitting longer, do some role play with their dolls/stuffed toys, use a little bribery, or even take some pictures beforehand so they know what to expect the day of.
- If your child/children have extreme stranger danger, let them know that they are going to meet their Auntie (me) at a location. Perhaps even take them to that location so they can get familiarize with the environment. Kids may not have a good memory, but if they have a good experience, their senses will trigger their memory, so make the pre-location experience very memorable for them. This may help them cooperate more and be comfortable with an environment they don't know.
- Bring a bag or large purse to carry your phone, props, extra shoes, blankets, outerwear, and keys in.
- You may certainly bring props of any kind you'd like to your session. I always encourage clients to bring what they'd like as it adds a little texture and momentum to their photos.
- Arrive 5 minutes early to the specific agreed location to take your photos. It is so important to arrive early and start exactly on time (time agreed) to maximize shooting time. If you are running late, I will try my best to capture what I can within the allowed timeframe we have left. For example, if we're allowed 60 minutes, but you are running 15 mins late, I will capture what I can within the 45 mins we have left.
- In case of inclement weather (rain showers or snowstorm), you have the following 3 options: 1) if it's light rain – proceed with the scheduled shoot, 2) Reschedule your session based on a day and time I have available, or 3) Cancel your session entirely. If you cancel, deposit is not refundable.
- For outdoor photos, always check the weather the day of your scheduled session. If it is really windy, be sure to bring hair-ties, hairspray, or a hat to tame the hair from flying around your faces.