

Preparation Tips for an Equine Photo Session

There are a number of ways you can help ensure that we can capture some great images of your beloved fur baby. There are things you can do, both before and during your session, that will get you and your dog ready. Below are some general tips I encourage you to take into strong consideration for a successful session.

1. Make sure the animal gets a good amount of exercise BEFORE the session. You know them best, so please exercise them enough to relieve any over-excitement but not enough to wear them out.

2. Be sure the animal gets a good grooming within a few days of the session.

3. If you plan to use any props with your animal, especially something it might wear or have draped over, please make sure you try this on before the session and that the animal is comfortable with it.

4. If the animal has a favorite toy (for horses, something like a jolly ball) that you'd like to capture in the photos please have it available.

5. Be sure there is plenty of water available so the animal does not get overheated on hot days during the session.

6. Consider being included in a few photographs too! Your friends and family will cherish images that include you as well as your baby.

- Try to wear solid colored clothing. Don't wear bold patterns such as stripes or plaids, or clothing with writing on it.
- Ladies, try to avoid tops that are cut too low or shorts and skirts that are cut too short. Nothing will detract from a beautiful moment caught in a photograph more than some cleavage that could have easily been covered up.
- To minimize hair sticking to clothing try to avoid fabrics that attract a lot of hair.
- Keep our location in mind and dress appropriately. Since these will be photos you'll cherish forever, dress in a manner that is casual but still stylish.
- Is the whole family going to be in a few photos? Yay! You don't need to exactly match each other, your outfits just need to compliment each other. This helps make the image pop, yet look clean and neat. Make sure the colors and styles don't clash.

Lastly, please arrive on time and be ready to have some fun!