

A Pre Wedding Shoot~How important is it?

How would you like a guarantee that your wedding photographs will be incredible? Unfortunately they don't exist, but a pre-wedding shoot is the next best thing, whether it is a bridal shoot or an engagement shoot.

For many people the only time they employ the services of a professional photographer is at their wedding. If their wedding photographs are important to them couples will spend a great deal of time choosing who will shoot their wedding and are willing to spend large sums of money to make sure it is done well.

Once you have chosen us to be your wedding photographers, it is worth knowing that in order to make the most of your wedding day photography, it's always better, to have some sort of relationship between yourselves and Sarah & I. Sarah & I will always deliver great photography but our best work is always with couples where a relationship has developed.

There are several reasons why this is the case.

- We get to spend time together. Talking in between shooting helps everyone to get to know each other. We also get to see how you respond to each other. There's nothing worse than trying to get touchy feely photographs when the couple are not touchy feely kind of people.
- Couples get to spend time in front of a camera, which can be an uncomfortable situation for many people. It can be hard to relax and act naturally which leads to stiff and awkward photographs. A pre-wedding shoot can help reduce camera anxiety allowing the couple to be more natural on their wedding day since you know what to expect from us.
- Seeing fantastic photographs of yourselves gives you confidence that your wedding photographs will be equally lovely. It's one less thing to worry about on your wedding day.
- You get to see and experience how we work which gives you an idea of what to expect on your wedding day.
- It allows us to see how you two look being photographed. If we notice that there are any angles or lighting that doesn't work for you, that can be fixed on your wedding day. We will also find out how much direction you need to look your best.
- Last but not least of all, it's also a lot of fun.

At the end of the shoot you will have lots of images from which to use for various purposes such as~ invitations, guest books, signature matts, or enlarged prints, as well as just having some great photos of the two of you.

Some people are natural in front of the camera however, many of us are not. For people whose wedding photographs are important to them it is a good idea to invest the extra time and money in having a pre-wedding shoot. Ultimately it will lead to better wedding photographs and these are memories that will be treasured for a lifetime so a pre-wedding shoot or engagement shoot is a great investment which we encourage you to do.