

Portrait Tips

Wardrobe

Choose clothing that is subtle and fits properly. Long sleeves work better than short ones. We recommend colors that are darker than your skin tone, or a light colored shirt under a darker jacket or sweater. Avoid strong patterns and busy accessories. Look for balance, harmony and color coordination.

Glasses

If your glasses are photo sensitive, do not have an anti-reflection coating, or if you have a heavy prescription that strongly distorts your face line, please borrow an identical pair of frames without lenses from your optician. This will eliminate unnecessary reflections and distortion from your prescription.

Women

Wear your normal makeup. Wear your hair in a style that you like and are comfortable with. As with clothing, keep jewelry simple. Avoid low cut blouses and wear shorter length necklaces.

Men

Be sure to shave just prior to your appointment. If you have a heavy five o'clock shadow, schedule a morning appointment if possible. Have your hair cut approximately one week before your appointment. Choose a shirt and jacket that fit well. If you prefer no jacket, then wear a colored shirt (not white). If your shirt will be unbuttoned at the collar, wear a V-neck T-shirt so it does not show at your neckline.

Retouching

Typically we will remove blemishes and soften facial lines. Please let us know if you have any specific requests such as removing or toning down moles or scars, or if you prefer no retouching.

Questions

Please mention any questions or concerns you wish to discuss. The secret to successful portraiture is full communication on both sides of the camera. We are here to help you feel comfortable and look great. Our objective is to create a portrait that you will be happy with. Your image is our business!