



ENGAGEMENT SESSION INFORMATION

When people think of a portrait session, they often think of the traditional matching outfit - jeans or khakis and a white shirt. Our engagement sessions are not traditional posed images but rather a documentary of your lifestyle, and we want your clothing to reflect that. By sticking close to your own personal style you will be more comfortable and we will be able to capture genuine emotions and expressions.

Do's:

- Choose outfits that are just a little dressier than what you would normally wear. For example, if you are wearing shorts and a t-shirt make it nice shorts and a nice t-shirt, like something you would wear to a company BBQ.
- Choose outfits that compliment each other. You can accomplish this by choosing clothing in the same color family or with the same accent colors. For example, if one person wears jeans and a blue shirt, the other could wear jeans and a tan shirt with blue trim.
- Stick to solids or simple prints. If one person wears a print, the other should wear something solid.
- Make sure your clothing suits your body type and fits you properly – fitted always looks better than baggy. Men should wear shirts tucked in or quite fitted. You might be more comfortable in loose and baggy clothing but it can sometimes look sloppy in photos.
- Bring any props you want. Some of our favorites are: sporting equipment, pets, cowboy boots, poster board with a message on it (Thank-you, wedding date, etc), scrabble tiles... anything else that reflects your personalities and life together.
- Nice jeans and a dressy top are a never fail choice – they look good anywhere.
- Make sure you are comfortable – you should be able to sit down with minimal adjustments.

Dont's:

- Matching outfits – this may seem cute, but will look dated by the time you see your images.
- Wild patterns, stripes or super bright colors. Leave your bright white shirts at home while you're at it.
- Shirts with writing on them – way too distracting
- Wear sleeveless shirts with caution - it may look great in the mirror, but it doesn't always look good once you are moving around (ladies, check for your bra peeking out at the arm holes).
- Leave your extra rings and watch at home – the focus should be on your engagement ring
- To avoid wardrobe malfunctions, stay away from short skirts, short shorts and plunging necklines.

When in doubt, bring extra outfits. We are happy to help you choose, plus if something gets dirty you will have another outfit waiting!