



### Preparing for your photography appointment

First impressions are key, we have included some tips to help you prepare for your photography appointment:

**Top Tip:** Hallways are a great place to store surplus items on the day as we don't often photograph them.

**Generally:**

- Replace light bulbs that no longer work
- Conceal or tidy away loose cables around the house
- Open all curtains and blinds
- Clear away laundry
- Fresh flowers or a full, fresh fruit bowl can add a flash of colour
- If you have children clear away as many toys and accessories as possible
- If you have pets hide their food bowls, toys and beds

**Reception rooms:**

- Remove throws from sofas
- Arrange cushions to look neat and tidy

**Kitchen:**

- Clear all worktops including clearing away appliances if possible
- Clear on top of cupboards
- Clear the sink
- Remove fridge magnets, tea towels and oven gloves

**Bedrooms:**

- Make the bed and choose simple covers
- Items stored under the bed should be completely out of sight even at crouching level
- Clear on top of cupboards and wardrobes
- Minimise cosmetics, clothing and accessories out on display

**Bathrooms:**

- Keep toilet lids down
- Remove clutter like shower gels and tooth brushes
- Remove mildew
- Clean shower screens and mirrors
- Any towels should be neatly arranged and folded

**Exterior:**

- Sweep paths and tidy up weeds
- Move bins and hosepipes out of the way if possible
- Try to avoid cars or vans being parked in front of the property

**If you have a garden:**

- Cut back overgrown shrubs that may visually be making the garden appear smaller
- Remove leaves and debris
- Mow the lawn/remove algae from decking

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