

BRIDAL PORTRIATS

Thank you for choosing Captured Moments by Christine! We know you have options when it comes to your photography services so we appreciate your business. Here are some instructions and helpful tips for your bridal session.

BRIDAL SESSION:

- ▶ Bridal sessions should be done 1 - 2 months prior to your wedding day.
- ▶ Please drink plenty of water and get plenty of rest the night prior to your session. This will help keep you refreshed, keep dark circles from under your eyes and keep you hydrated.
- ▶ Avoid drinking alcohol 1 day prior to your session.
- ▶ Bring the right person to the session. Is this person positive and uplifting? Bringing someone you feel comfortable with can provide lightness and laughter to your shoot. Just make sure to not bring an entire entourage. That will make you nervous!
- ▶ Stay out of the sun a week before your portrait session. Retouching a sunburn, sun spots, or tan lines is very difficult in post-production. Even, natural skin looks much better in photographs.
- ▶ The bridal portrait session is a "test" for your wedding day. After you get your pictures back from the photographer, you'll see if adjustments to your makeup, hairstyle, or bouquet are needed. Or you might find you need to alter your dress to fit differently.

HAIR & MAKE-UP:

- ▶ Hire a professional hair & make-up artist! You will be happy you did!
- ▶ Look on sites like [Pinterest.com](https://www.pinterest.com) and search make up ideas to find the look that suites you best.
- ▶ Do a TEST RUN on your hair & make-up prior to your bridal sessions. When doing this adjustments can be made to satisfy your look for both your bridal session and wedding day.
- ▶ Schedule your make-up first, hair last. With updo's and hair that is curled it tends to fall in hot and humid Texas. Have hair schedule about 1 - 1 1/2 hours prior to session depending on the style and the time it will take. Consult with your hair stylist prior to find out about how long it will take. Make-up artists now a days apply make up and set it to stay on your face looking fresh longer.
- ▶ Captured Moments has many friends that are stylists and make-up artists. If you are interested, we would be happy to make a few recommendations.

JEWELRY & ACCESSORIES:

- ▶ Simple and elegant is the advice when selecting jewelry for a portrait. Small pearls, diamonds are ideal.
- ▶ **BRING A BOUQUET!** Fresh not silk. Bouquets including some greenery are great for bridals. This will also give you something to do with your hands at times and also give a splash of color to your bridal shots.

OTHER ITEMS TO CONSIDER BRINGING:

- ▶ A comb or brush and hair-spray.
- ▶ A light face powder to reduce any shine on your face that may build up during your shoot.
- ▶ A towel to damp your face depending on humidity and South .
- ▶ Bring two pairs of shoes. You will need your dress shoes; especially if the hem on your dress is altered based on the height of the heels. However, those dress shoes can be uncomfortable so bring some comfy shoes like flip flops just in case.
- ▶ Sentimental items, perfume, garter, your something blue

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING & AFTER YOUR SESSION:

- ▶ After your session, please allow at least 2 weeks (excluding holidays) to receive a link to your private album with all images to view and choose from.
- ▶ Please read the email format that is sent to you. It will give you instructions on what you need to do.
- ▶ When choosing me as your photographer not only will we provide traditional still shots for your wall, we love to capture your true moments in an artistic way.
- ▶ Moving at times naturally during the session is great for capturing candid shots of you being your true self. We love it!