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A Guide to Your Portrait Session

Firstly, thanks for choosing me to take your pictures – the main thing is that we're going to make this fun! Relax, enjoy it and you'll get some truly memorable pictures.

Here are my top tips to help you be prepared for the day.

1. **The Weather!** It is Islay after all! I try to take my shots in all weathers, a little bit of rain isn't a problem, but we might be go to the woods rather than be exposed on the beach. If it's really too bad, no problem, we can reschedule!
2. **What are you after?** What are your priorities for the shoot? If it's a range of posed family shots, I can do more of those you might prefer some fun pictures of the kids, or a range of both.
3. **About you and your family** Let me know a little bit about yourselves, it might feel a bit embarrassing, but the more I know (particularly the kids) the better images I can get – anything like favourite song, place, hobby, obsessions etc.
4. **Who's going to be there.** Let me know how many people I'll be photographing, it just helps me plan my pictures.
5. **What should you wear?** Keep it straightforward – follow this as a guide:
 - wear solid coloured clothing
 - choose muted tones
 - choose similar tones for your top and bottom (both dark or both light)
 - choose 1-3 colours for your group portrait, ones with similar tones that go nicely together and have everyone work within that colour palette.

Please remember this is a guide – if you're after fun and quirky images of the kids, bright colours are fine, but in a group bright colours or stripy tops stand out and you look at the clothes rather than the people!

If you have any questions, about anything, please just ask!

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