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# TRAVEL PHOTOGRAPHY

Travel photography is the best way to capture your wonderful moments and use them to warm your hearts even in the darkest of times.

### What Is Travel Photography

Photography Wikipedia defines photography as the art, application, and practice of creating durable images by recording light. It's crazy to think that all we see when we look at photos is light. Crazy yet fascinating.

If we tried to give a definition of travel photography, it would be something along these lines: travel photography is the documentation of all the components of any given destination. Including

- the landscape, both natural and human-made,
- the people,
- the culture,
- the food,
- and, ultimately, the history of the place.

tourism photography is part of the travel photography genre, As It focuses on hotels, resorts, restaurants, and businesses in the tourism industry.

Travel photography is the broadest photography genre in terms of all the different subjects it covers. It encompasses numerous other areas of photography, such as

- Street,
- landscape,
- or architecture photography.

This is why it takes a lot more than mere photographic knowledge to excel as a travel photographer.

A good travel photographer must be flexible, well-organised and outgoing. Flexible to adapt to time-related challenges (e.g. waking up early, staying up late). Well-organised to plan photographic trips to the last detail. Outgoing because, you can go a long way with a smile if you plan to, say, take portraits of total strangers in faraway lands. Learning a foreign language wouldn't hurt either.

there's something unique about travel photography that makes it stand out from all other photography genres. The purpose of travel photography goes beyond just shooting a spectacular image. Travel photography is a means to tell a story, to inspire, and, above all, to educate people on the diversity of our beautiful world.

In the last decades, many factors have conducted to travel being accessible to more and more people. As a result, travel photography isn't appealing to professional photographers alone. everyone is keen to perfect their skills in travel photography.

# 1. Research Your Location

Your photographic trips should begin well before you even reach your destination. No matter if you are an amateur or a professional photographer, researching your location is vital if you want to capture those epic shots you've always dreamt of. Either you are on holidays or specifically travel for photography, help you keep track of all the places you want to visit is to create a personal map with all the points of interest you want to shoot.

know the best time to visit the locations on your list., some places are best enjoyed at sunset, while others should be visited at dawn to avoid the crowds. Do your homework and adjust your day-to-day schedule accordingly.

## 2. Choose Your Gear Wisely & Learn How to Use It

if you've decided to invest time and money in travel photography, Do not buy the most expensive gear right from the start. Because you may eventually realise that travel photography isn't for you after all. And, it will be easier for you to master the basics of shooting while using entry-level equipment.

Start with an entry-level DSLR or mirrorless camera and keep practising until you're confident with using the manual mode there's no reason why you should spend money on a camera if you're planning to use the Auto settings alone. You'd be better off with a good smartphone if that's the case. Always shoot RAW, as it allows you to edit your images afterwards.

Once you know your camera, start experimenting with the various lenses to achieve diverse results.

- a wide-angle lens, you will be amazed at how an entire village can be squeezed in a single frame.
- Or, a telephoto lens, especially if you are into wildlife photography.
- The possibilities are endless.
- It all comes down to your preferences and budget.

If after a certain time you're still hooked on travel photography, you can start buying other accessories That might include tripods, extra batteries, a flash, or even a drone. At some point, you will know that it's time to upgrade your camera,

# 3. Keep Practising & Be Patient

the one thing about travel photography is you need to practise, practise and then practise more.

Don't wait until next time you travel to test your camera and its functions. Go on a photography trip around your neighbourhood and start shooting. Shoot indoors and shoot outdoors. Shoot in bright sunlight, shoot in low light, and shoot at night. Hold your camera and shoot, use your tripod and shoot. Play around with all of your camera's settings and functions (*on manual mode, don't cheat*).

Once you come to terms with the importance of practice, it's time to embrace patience, you can't expect to learn everything in one go. You must invest a lot of time to finally be able to shoot superb travel images.

Photography can be a waiting game. Quite often, you find yourself waiting for the right time to take the perfect shot. It may be the exact moment when the sun disappears into the water or when the high tide comes. Weather conditions are not always in your favour while waiting. it takes a lot of determination, and, patience to make it as travel photographer.

## 4. Always Carry Your Camera with You

You've spent an entire day out shooting and now you feel it's time you left your camera at the hotel room to go have dinner and maybe enjoy a drink but think twice before you leave your camera behind. Why not experiment with night photography while taking your post-dinner stroll?

No matter how well you've planned your trip, you never know when an exceptional opportunity arises for a shot you won't want to miss. It's better to carry your camera and never take it out of your bag than to leave it behind and regret not capturing that perfect moment in time that unfolded before your eyes and then vanished for ever.

# 5. Respect Locals & Wildlife

Whether you're travelling within your country or abroad, you should always respect the locals. Under no circumstances should you make anyone feel uncomfortable for the sake of taking the perfect shot. Not even a one-billion shot is worth making another person feel uneasy. If you're dying to take a close-up of locals (and, especially, their children) or shoot during a local event, always ask for permission first.

You should be mindful of animals and their well-being at all times. If you're planning to shoot wildlife, you must always keep a safe distance and avoid any noises or movements that may disturb the animal. This is when a telephoto lens comes handy. you can get as close as you want to super cuddly kittens or puppies who are willing to pose for you. Just make sure you reward them with a hug and/or a treat after the photoshoot.

Making a living out of your passion is the dream. That holds for many travel photography enthusiasts who pursue a career in this field. There are several factors in play when it comes to becoming a professional travel photographer.

the five most important steps to take if you're after a career in travel photography:

- 1. Understand that professional travel photography is all about commitment and hard work. Make sure you are genuinely passionate about it before taking any further steps in this direction.
- 2. Learn photography. Attend travel photography courses, classes, and workshops. Watch tutorials, read travel photography books, and practise a lot.
- 3. Create a portfolio to showcase your work to potential clients.
- 4. Network and collaborate with photographers around the world and other content creators.
- 5. Attend conferences and similar events to get in touch with travel brands and tourism boards.

Remember that competition is hard. Be ready to step out of your comfort zone when pitching yourself for travel photography jobs.

# **Essential Travel Photography Gear**

### Main Camera Body:

1. DSLR or Mirrorless

The benefits of mirrorless cameras for travel photography. They're way lighter and more compact than DSLR cameras.

Featuring 4K video, fantastic focusing and impressive battery-life,

### Camera Lens:

28-75mm f/2.8 This all-in-one zoom lens has the ideal focal length range for travel photography, it's lightweight and, most of all, quite affordable.

#### Lens Filters:

1. UV Filter for protection.

2. Variable ND Filter for cinematic video and long exposure shots.

Backup Camera For Video:

Exceptional 4K video and simple ways to shoot motion lapse and time lapse, fits in your pocket. Very easy to use.

#### Drone:

Mini 2 Fly More Combo, prudent to test your flying skills on a drone that doesn't cost a fortune. Make sure you genuinely like aerial photography before investing in one of the most expensive drones for travel photography.

With 4K video and the option to shoot RAW, the Mini 2 is great value for money.

Especially if you buy the combo, which comes with two extra batteries, a stylish bag and lots of other goodies.

Admire spectacular views from above without all the negative emotions from the fear of flying when travelling by plane.

## **Travel Camera Backpack:**

DSLR Backpack is a travel backpack that would fit all the travel photography gear, a laptop and personal items.

#### Small Camera Backpack:

If You don't need to carry all your equipment around.

#### Travel Tripods:

Be free Advanced Alpha Travel Tripod This reliable travel tripod that features maximum stability and easy set-up is the best travel photography tripod you can buy without spending a fortune.

Mini Tripod Fitting literally in your pocket, carry this super lightweight tripod at all times.

Selfie Stick Tripod This was bought as a mere selfie stick but it comes really handy when shooting a time lapse or motion lapse with the Pocket. Tripod

#### **External Microphone:**

Very affordable and compact camera microphone to minimise noise interference when used outdoors.

#### **Cleaning Kit:**

Trivial though it may sound, a cleaning kit for your camera lenses is of the utmost importance and it's a purchase you should make right from the start. When it comes to cleaning kits, the sky's the limit. make sure the cleaning kits include microfiber cleaning cloths, a cleaning pen and an air blower.

#### Memory Cards:

Shooting RAW and video means always carry several fast memory cards with a Portable Hard Drive:

A fast SSD hard drives to store the images and video footage.

#### **Spare Batteries:**

There's nothing more aggravating than running out of battery in the middle of a photo shoot. That's why having spare batteries for your camera and drone handy at all times.

# What's So Important about Travel Photography?

As one of the most famous travel quotes goes, travel is the only thing you buy that makes you richer. Therefore, who'd want to let these precious memories go to waste? The importance of travel photography lies in its superpower to revoke those memories long after the smells, sounds and tastes that accompany them have worn off.

travel photography isn't just about helping travellers keep the memories of their past trips alive. It's about showing the world to people who haven't travelled as far and wide as they'd like.

Not everyone has the privilege to travel as much as their heart desires. Travel photography has the noble mission of communicating the most exotic feelings to these people, making them travel with their minds and souls and inspiring them to roam the world if and when their circumstances allow it.

As a means to get a glimpse of cultures and people in faraway lands, this superior form of art can bridge the imaginary gaps that exist between people. It can provide proof that our world is a stunningly diverse wonder. Ultimately, it can teach people that there's nothing wrong with being different. From North to South East to West, travel photography captures fleeting – yet meant to become timeless – moments in the lives of people from all four corners of the globe.

At the end of the day, it makes no difference if the light that goes through our camera's shutter records joyful or sorrowful scenes. What matters is that it takes a look at these travel photos to know that the light shines as bright on all of us, regardless of skin colour, age, or gender. And this is what we love about travel photography the most.

"Photography can light up darkness and expose ignorance."

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