



Display Your Digital Photos Like A Gallery

You probably take photos with your smartphone with the intention of going beyond social media posting — you also want to find gems you can ultimately print and display, right?

Yet framing and hanging photos is not as easy as it looks. Displays can end up off-balance, crooked or disorganized if you use a hodge-podge of materials.

To go beyond printing and framing your favorite photos, here are three ideas to make your home look more like a gorgeous gallery:

1: Montages

Adam Smith, from [Haushusbands](#) created a beautiful montage with an image of a sky for one of his clients. He used twelve identical black frames, with each frame holding a section of the overall image, almost like a puzzle. “The result was to create the feeling that you would be looking out a window,” he says. This simple idea, of breaking one image apart to form a new whole, creates an artistic effect that brightens up a room, or expands a narrow hallway. Also there are services like [WeMontage](#) that let you create a montage that is transferred to a giant decal sticker you can stick to a wall.

2: Metal prints

With this process, you can infuse your image on to metal. Also, a floating mount can give your image a three dimensional quality. And you do not need to frame metal prints, as the process protects the images — you can wipe them off with glass cleaner to keep them sparkling clean. WeMontage offers this feature and so does [Bay Photo](#), which has five different surfaces, from high gloss to sheer matte. Keep in mind that metal prints work best with images that have a lot of detail because the process highlights the crisp edges you’ve captured.

3: Canvas prints

There are a couple of ways to create your own canvas prints. One way is to do the photo transfer process yourself like the one from [abeautifulmess](#). Another way is to order wrapped canvas prints from one of many companies that will do it, such as [Easy Canvas Prints](#) or CanvasOnDemand. “Since canvas has a texture, to some degree you lose detail,” says Robert Andersen, a professional photographer. “Take into account the texturing of the image, and decide if you’ll apply a finish.” He suggests using a varnish to add longevity to your art. Andersen says to choose images with soft edges — the slight detail loss is part of what makes it looks great.

currently working on a memoir. She is also a healthy food expert, loves both food and tech, and all things photo related. Her photo art has sold in Beverly Hills and London.