

# FRANKIE PALMER PHOTOGRAPHY



## What to Wear for Portrait Sessions

I encourage clients to bring several outfits for their portraits so we have a choice of styles and looks. Steer clear of busy patterns or logos. Use complementary color to bring out your eyes and complexion. Adding or removing a jacket or putting on a different shirt can change your outfit just enough to make it appear that you are wearing an entirely different wardrobe. Whatever you wear, make sure you feel comfortable and you like the way you look!

**Girls:** A simple well fitting dress, skirt and top, or jeans and a cool jacket work best. Make sure clothing is clean and free of wrinkles. Watch out for bra straps that might be showing, and of course, be careful to wear flesh colored bras under light colored shirts. If you bring a short skirt or dress, consider wearing bike shorts underneath so you are comfortable in multiple poses. Go light on jewelry - earrings and a simple necklace are fine, or bring one really cool statement piece. If you are doing your own makeup, I recommend going a bit heavier than usual. Add an extra coat of mascara and some liner to make your eyes pop. Be sure to bring a brush, lip gloss, powder, hair clips and a pocket mirror with you to have on hand during the portrait session. Hands often show in the portraits, so make sure nails are clean and polish is not chipped.

**Guys:** A nice shirt with a jacket, vest or sweater always looks classic. Alternately, a long sleeve button down shirt may be worn alone, or dressed up with a tie. Be sure shirts are clean and free of wrinkles. Long slacks or jeans are best. Consider a little hair spray or gel to keep strays in place. Bring a comb, chapstick or lip balm. Dry, chapped lips never look good in photographs!

**Blemishes?** Don't worry about it! All images are retouched before final printing, so your skin will be smooth and beautiful.

### Props and Accessories:

Feel free to bring along anything that represents you – this includes musical instruments, athletic gear, hats, etc. If you bring sports equipment, be sure it's clean so dirt doesn't rub off on clothing or hands.

### Not sure what to wear?

Bring several options you like and I will help you decide which outfit will be most flattering.