



# Travel Photography



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# Today Topics:

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- Questions and Answers
- Pre-Trip Preparation
- When You are There
- Post Processing
  - Software
  - Web
  - Books
- Hands on Training



# Histograms

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- For a complete explanation of histograms, please go to Ken Rockwell's website at:

<http://www.kenrockwell.com/tech/histograms.htm>



# Pre-Trip Preparation

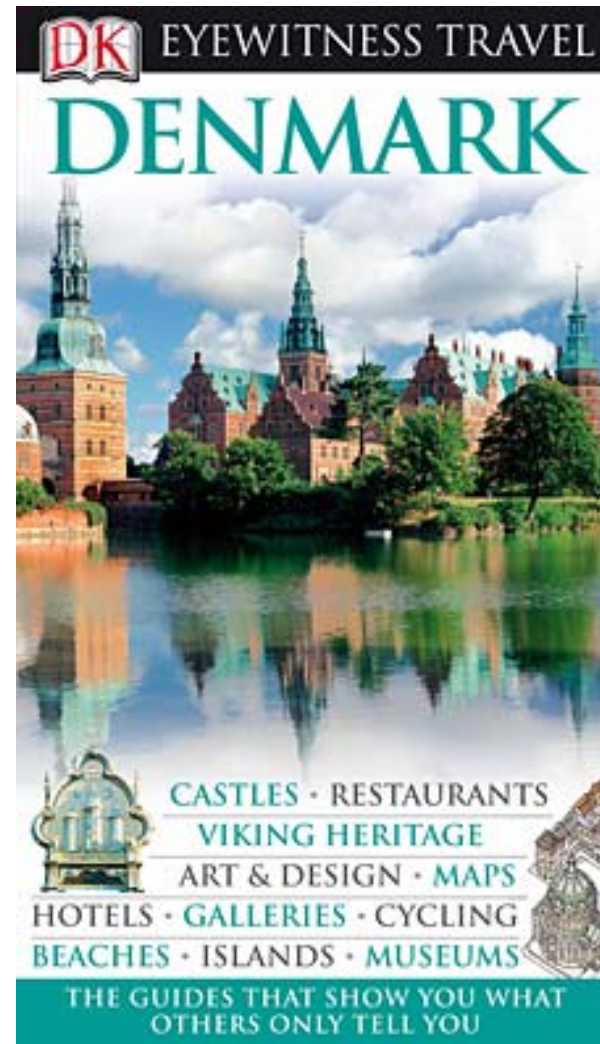
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# Pre-trip Planning

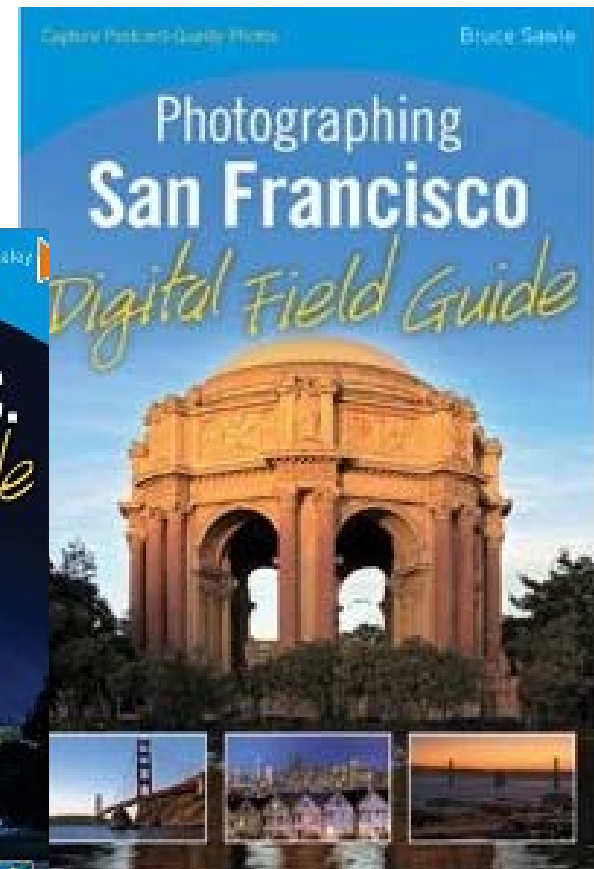
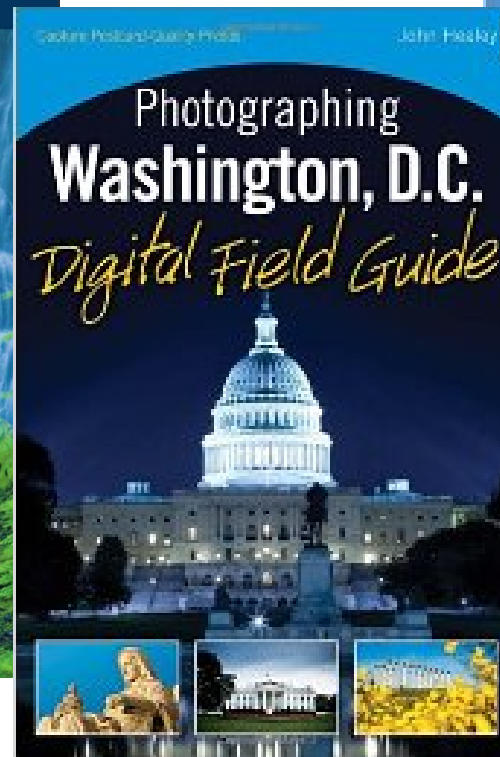
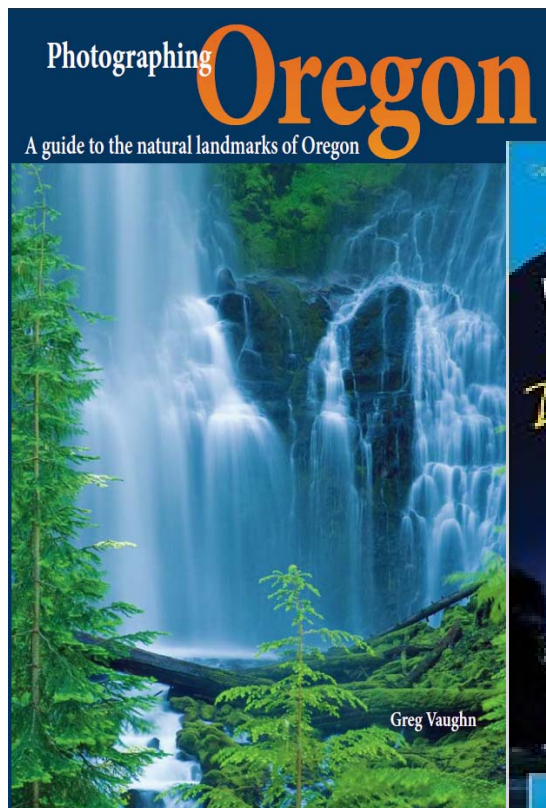
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- Guidebooks
  - DK Publishing
  - ([www.dk.com](http://www.dk.com))



# Pre-trip Planning

- Photography Guidebooks



# Pre-trip Planning

- Google Maps



# Pre-trip Planning

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- Travel Lists
  - Clothes (by Season and by Reason)
    - Do not dress like Americans
  - Standard Toiletries
  - Specialized Lists
    - Carry on
    - Beach
    - Mountains
- Segregated Travel Stuff





# Travel Lists

## Clothes for Casual Business Trip:

### ⊕ Summer Weather:

Item	Overnight	2 Days	3 Days	4 Days	5 Days
Casual Shoes	1	1	1	1	1
Black Tennis Shoes	1?	1?	1?	1?	1?
Belt	1	1	1	1	1
Polo Shirts	2	3	4	4	4
Casual Slacks	1	2	2	2	2
Jeans (Black)	1	1	2?	2?	2?
Casual Socks	3	3	4	4	4
T-shirts	2	3	3	3	3
Handkerchiefs	2	3	4	4	4
Sport Coat	1?	1?	1?	1?	1?
Dress Shirt	1?	1?	1?	1?	1?
Tie	1?	1?	1?	1?	1?
Athletic Socks	1	1	2	2	2
Tennis Shoes	1?	1?	1?	1?	1?
Swimming Suit/Shorts	1	1	1	1	1



# Travel Lists

	A	B	C	D	E	G	H	I	J	K
1	<b>STANDARD TRIP ITEMS:</b>									
2										
3						Driving	Flying	Flying (Checking)	Extended	International
4	<b>TOILETRIES:</b>									
5						<input type="checkbox"/>				
6		Toothbrush								
7		Toothpaste								
8		Dental Floss								
9										
10		Hair Brush								
11		Deodorant								
12										
13		Electric Razor								
14		Charger					X			
15		Razor								
16										
17		Kleenex Packages								
18		Wash ups								
19		Ear Plugs								
20		Eye Mask								
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22		Flashlight								
23		Sewing Kit								
24		Woolite								
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# Basic Packing List – P&S

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- Point and Shoot Camera
- Case
- Instruction Manual
- Multiple SD Cards
- Extra Battery and/or Battery Charger



# Advanced Packing List – P&S

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- Basic Packing List, plus:
- Notebook Computer
- SD Card Reader for Notebook
- USB Hard Drive
- Power Plug Converter ??
- Cord for Sunglasses
- Table Tripod with Ball Head?
- Polarizer and/or Neutral Density Filters





# Basic Packing List – DSLR

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- DSLR w/ 18-200mm Nikon Lens
- Case or Backpack Insert
- Lens Hood
- UV Filter (for protection)
- Polarizer
- Extra CD Cards
- Extra Batteries and/or Battery Charger
- Lens Cleaning Cloth
- Lens Brush

# Advanced Packing List – DSLR

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- Basic Packing List, plus:
- Notebook Computer
- CD Card Reader for Notebook
- USB Hard Drive
- Power Plug Converter ??
- Cord for Sunglasses
- Small Tripod?





# Photo-Trip Packing List

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- Additional Lenses:
  - Wide Angle (Tokina 11-16mm)
  - Portrait (Nikon 85mm)
  - 2.8 Nikon (17-50mm)
  - Additional Filters for lenses
  - Neutral Density Filters
- Tripods
  - Tabletop
  - Backpack
- Point and Shoot Camera
- Second Camera Body

# You are not in Kansas

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- Learn the *Faux Pas* before you go:
  - Do not handle fruit in Italy
  - Do not order from the “to go” line, then sit down at the tables.
  - Do not assume there is take out
  - The French know English better than you know French
  - Hire a guide, but do not expect a guide to show you great photographic locations.





# You are not in Kansas

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- Be Careful of Cab Drivers
  - Use Hotel Business Cards
- Be Careful of Hotel Clerks
  - Safe, but expensive



# Post Processing

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# General Software

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- **Acronis True Image** – Creates an exact image of your hard drive. Useful if a virus infects your computer.  
([www.acronis.com](http://www.acronis.com))
- **AJC Directory Synchronizer** – Synchronizes between your Photo directory and your USB drive. Faster than backing up the directory.  
([www.ajcsoft.com](http://www.ajcsoft.com))



# Post Processing – General Programs

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- Picassa – Free, good organizer, weak editor
- Lightroom – Expensive, good organizer, strong editor, weak manipulator.
- Photoshop – Elements Inexpensive, average organizer, strong editor, strong manipulator.
- Photoshop – Expensive, average organizer, strong general graphic editor, strong manipulator.





# Special Purpose Software

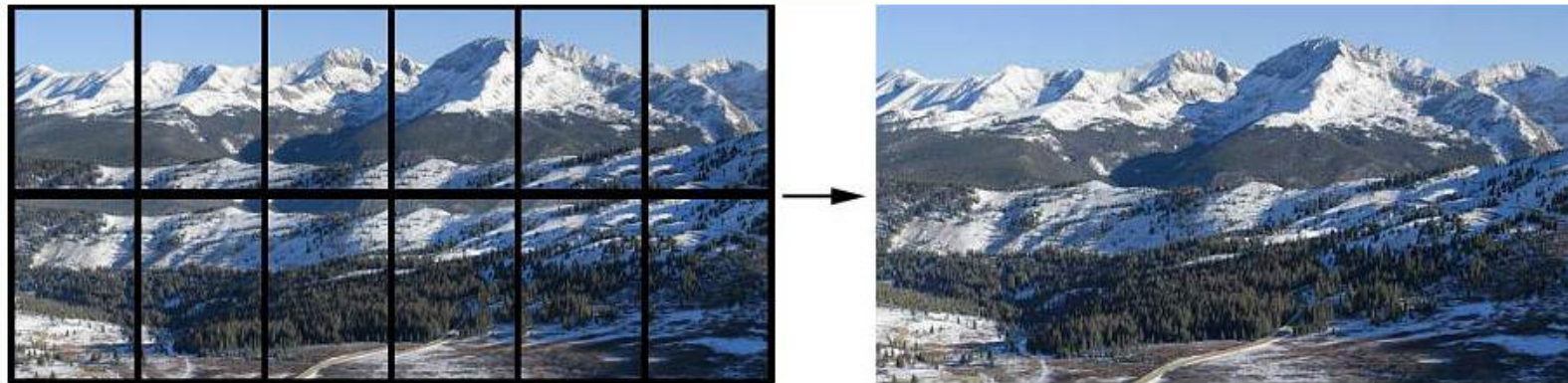
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- Panning
- High Bokeh
- HDR
- Blow Up
- Noise Removal
- Digital Filters
- Multiple Focusing



# Panning Software

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- Autopano - [www.autopano.net](http://www.autopano.net)



# High Bokeh

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- bokeh - [www.alienskin.com/bokeh](http://www.alienskin.com/bokeh)



# HDR



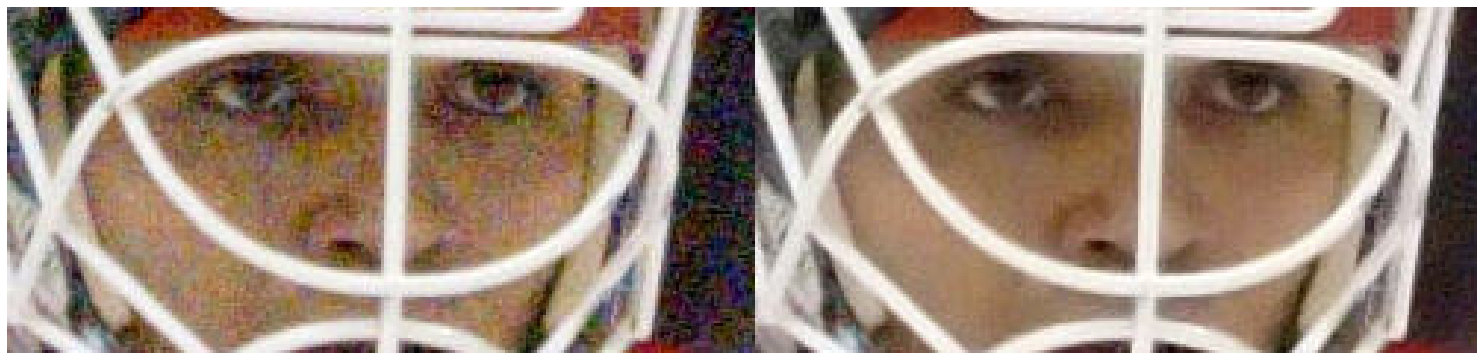
- Photomatrix – [www.hdrsoft.com](http://www.hdrsoft.com)
- (use “fuze” mode for realistic effects)





# Noise Removal

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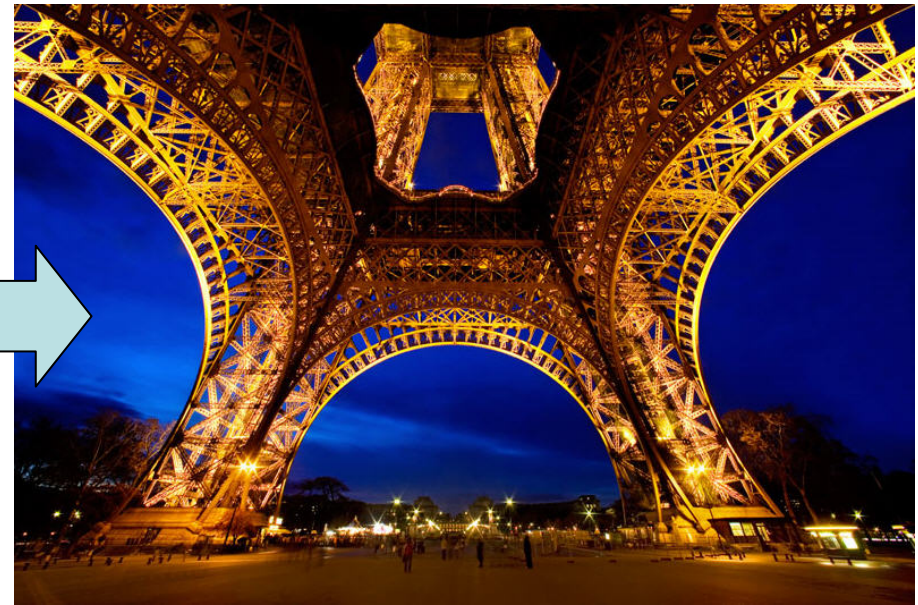


- Noise Ninja - [www.picturecode.com](http://www.picturecode.com)



# Blow Up Software

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- Blow up 2 - [www.alienskin.com/blowup](http://www.alienskin.com/blowup)
- Genuine Fractals – [www.ononesoftware.com](http://www.ononesoftware.com)



# Digital Filters



Before

After

## **Glamour Glow** Complete Edition

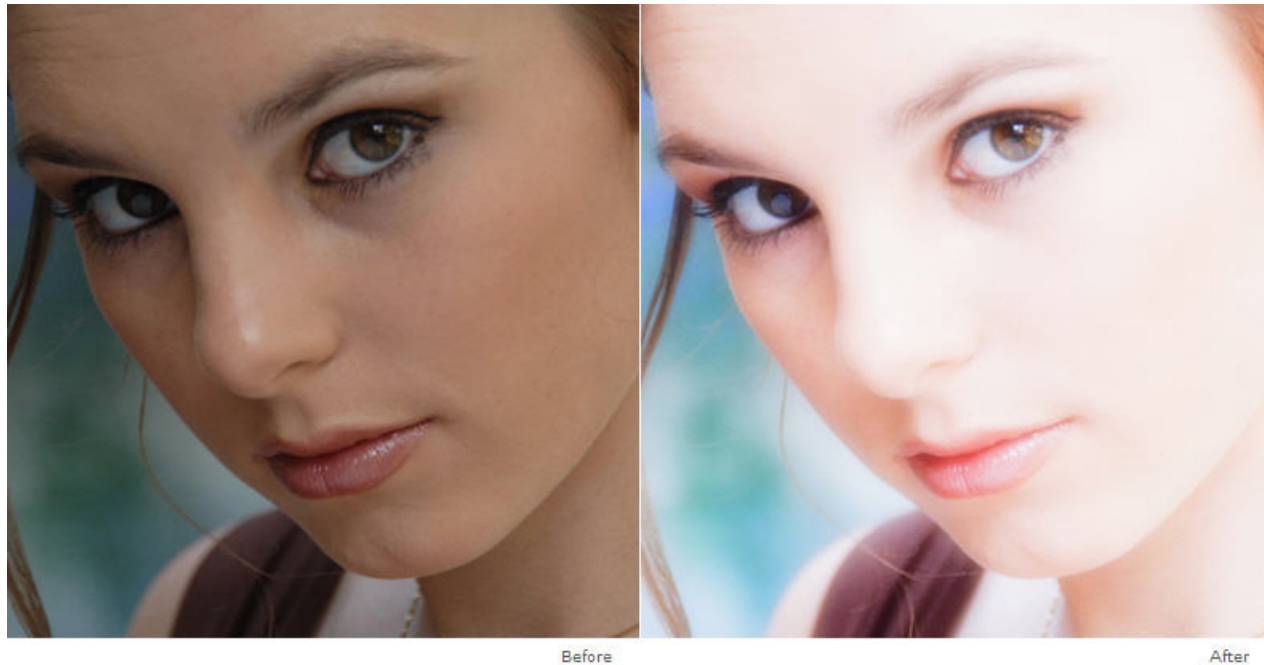
The Glamour Glow filter gives photographers a powerful way to stylize their images with dreamy, soft effects.

- Color Efex Pro – [www.niksoftware.com](http://www.niksoftware.com)



# Digital Filters

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**High Key**  
Complete Edition

Simulates the look of high-key photography, characterized by uniformly light tones and low contrast.

- Color Efex Pro – [www.niksoftware.com](http://www.niksoftware.com)



# Digital Filters



**Low Key**  
Complete Edition

Simulates the look of low-key photography, characterized by uniformly dark tones and low contrast.

- Color Efex Pro – [www.niksoftware.com](http://www.niksoftware.com)



# Digital Filters



**Tonal Contrast**  
Complete Edition

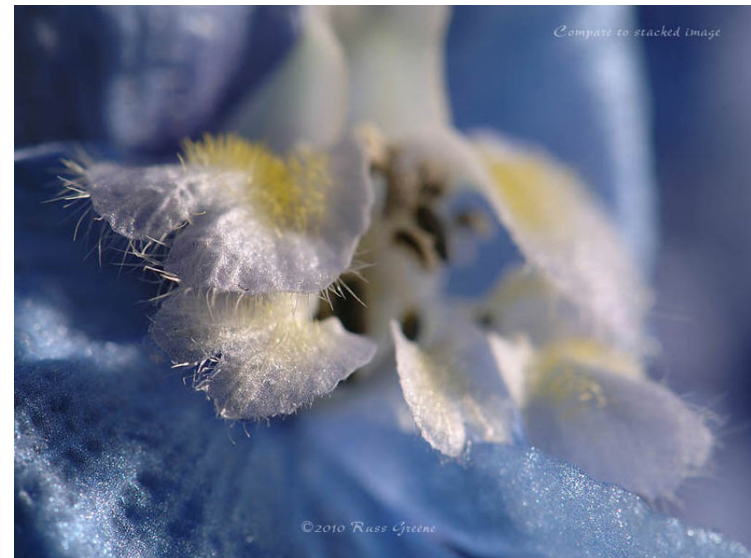
The Tonal Contrast filter gives the highest level of control for contrast in highlight, midtone and shadow tonal ranges individually without affecting the rest of the image.

- Color Efex Pro – [www.niksoftware.com](http://www.niksoftware.com)



# Bracket Focusing

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- Helicon Focus – [www.heliconsoft.com](http://www.heliconsoft.com)



# Displaying

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# Photo Websites

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- [www.flickr.com](http://www.flickr.com)
- [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)
- [www.dphoto.com](http://www.dphoto.com)
- [www.smugmug.com](http://www.smugmug.com)
- [www.wordpress.com](http://www.wordpress.com)

Easier



Harder



# Photo Books

Site/Publisher	Ranking*
<a href="http://www.blurb.com">www.blurb.com</a>	5/5
<a href="http://www.shutterfly.com">www.shutterfly.com</a>	4/5 (best for enthusiasts)
<a href="http://www.snapfish.com">www.snapfish.com</a>	3/5 (best for budgets)

\* According to Photography Monthly



# Additional Resources

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- Dallas Camera Club  
[www.dallascameraclub.org](http://www.dallascameraclub.org)
- Plano Camera Club  
[www.planophotographyclub.com](http://www.planophotographyclub.com)
- Photography Society of America  
[www.psa-photo.org](http://www.psa-photo.org)





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