

I have provided tuition to both professional and amateur photographers. By far the most important lessons learnt are those about using the camera in manual mode to achieve the best exposures. This requires an understanding of light metering and the camera controls, to achieve the best 'brightness' images. This is a highly complex topic, made simple and learnt by doing it with your camera.

My camera, a Nikon D3 digital SLR camera, includes the most advanced technology for automatic exposure control. But not even this camera knows what it is looking at! So most of the time I use the camera on 'manual' mode, knowing how to adjust the camera controls to achieve perfect exposures. You can do the same. The 'P' exposure mode on your camera does not stand for 'professional'!

Learn about:

ISO, Shutter Speed, Aperture... and their respective effects.
Light Metering, Dynamic Range, Manual Mode
Use of LCD info e.g. Histogram

Focus Area / Focus Modes. Spot Focus. Lenses
Depth of Field, Selective Focus, Hyperfocal Distance,
Bokeh, Macro, Sharpening the digital image

Light: Colour Temperature, Contrast, Blue & Red Skies,
White Balance, Reflectors

Colour Space. Colour Management

Computer Editing / Adobe Lightroom

Black & White Digital Photography

Movement and 'still' photography

Flash and Ambient Light Photography

Low Light / Night Photography

People Photography

THE DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY TUTOR

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The best way learn how to use your camera and computer to make great photos is a full day tuition session, one-to-one with an experienced professional photographer.



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½ Day (Morning)

We explore together the functions of your particular camera so that you maximize its features. You learn how and when to use these features to make the best photos.

We cover the basic principles of photography (exposure, focus, white balance, etc.), building on the knowledge you already have. There is also much to learn about digital photography e.g. RAW, sharpening, etc.

Then let's take some photos.... portraits, landscapes, photos using flash, movement, macro, etc.

Learn by doing!

½ Day (Afternoon)

Adobe Lightroom is by far the best and easiest way to edit your photos on a computer. We take an afternoon showing you how to use this software, starting from where you're already at.

There is no need to buy anything for this course... we use what you've already got, and if you don't have Adobe Lightroom software then I'll take 5 minutes to install a trial version on your PC.

You don't take a photograph, you make it.

- Ansel Adams



Wow!! The best one-on-one training I've ever had. It has taken me to a new level in photography. Brilliant day's learning. I feel I can start taking photos like a pro. Learning at its best. Mark explained everything in a manner that I could understand. Cannot believe how much we covered in only one day. This one day course has renewed my interest in photography. If you want to take better photos then I highly recommend you book this course with Mark. I could not have chosen a better teacher for a photography course. Mark you were brilliant.

- Warren Girven - Wanganui Camera Club

Bookings

The cost for the whole day course is \$300, or choose a half day option for \$150.

Learn more in one day than many people learn over a year, even in tertiary level courses!

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