



Senior Session **PREP**
(for the girls) **GUIDE**

hi!



makeup: Elizabeth Wolf Morgan

LET'S MAKE SOME MAGIC TOGETHER

I'm so glad you chose me as your senior photographer!!

This guide will address everything you need to know to make your session a low-stress and enjoyable experience for you while embracing your amazing personality and originality!

Nothing beats being YOU!

xx, Taylor



makeup: Maine Guthrie



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Before

YOUR SENIOR SESSION





What do I Wear?

For your senior session, you can bring up to 5 outfits with you. That can be sort of intimidating when trying to decide what to bring, but let me tell you some of my favorite options for you to use as inspiration and you can put your own style & personality into them to make it more YOU!

Cute & Simple

In the images above, these seniors are wearing a pair of jeans or shorts paired with a solid top with their favorite sneakers thrown on with it! You could stop here, but to "spice it up" a little, add a button down shirt, a jacket, or a "shacket"!

What I love about styles like this is that a simple pair of jeans and neutral top are never going out of style, it feels casual (while still looking super cute) and with the simplicity of the entire outfit, I'm able to REALLY focus on you!



Fun & Flowy

I will always say "yes" to a fun, flowy dress if that's your thing! Outfits like this photograph beautifully in open spaces (like a field or the beach) when we are able to capture some movement! In an open, outdoor setting, I recommend steering toward a color that is more "earthy" to better compliment your surroundings!



Comfy & Cozy

If your session takes place in one of the cooler months, you can pair a simple sweater with lots of different things! Jeans, a skirt, or even a pair of shorts can make a super cute, season-appropriate outfit!



Jumpsuit up!

I love a good jumpsuit! All you have to do is throw on a few accessories - maybe some jewelry or a hat - and you've got yourself a full, put together outfit!



Add a Pop of Color!

If you're a color-loving lady, don't be shy! You can always add in your favorite colors to really make your session feel like YOU!



Sporty & Sweet

These are your senior photos! If you play a sport that you LOVE, definitely consider including that in your set! You can simply wear your uniform, or if you want something different, consider wearing something with your team name on it for a more "casual" feel.



Something Unique!

I'm all about capturing timeless images, don't get me wrong, but your senior session is also about having FUN! So if you're feeling crazy & have a fun idea in mind, DO NOT HESITATE to pitch your ideas to me! We can do a set in studio, or somewhere unique to really set your session apart from others! (If you don't have ideas but want to do something different, I'm sure if we put our heads together we can think up something fun!)



What's something you love?

Don't play a sport, or have something else that you love? We can include that too! You tell me your vision & we will roll with it!



IT'S ALL IN THE

Details

SHOES

Don't forget that shoes are part of your outfit! Be sure to choose something that is both practical and matches the setting.

LAYERS + TEXTURES

Layers like jackets, cardigans, and vests provide depth. Textures like knits, lace, denim and cords add interest. When used together, its a winning combination!

ACCESSORIES

Complete your look by adding hats, beanies, headbands, jewelery, scarves, belts, etc. It's a great way to show off your personality, without taking over the focus.

HAIR + MAKEUP

Get your hair colored at least a week before (if you usually do!), and keep makeup natural. Better yet, get your hair and makeup done professionally. The confidence boost and no-stress is worth it! (Taylor has some great makeup artists!)

HANDS AND NAILS

You may not think about it, but your hands **WILL** make an appearance in your photos! Be sure to take off any patchy nail polish and have fully clean or fresh painted nails or spoil yourself and get yourself a manicure, girl!



Makeup done by the Senior herself



Makeup done by Professional MUA, Elizabeth Wolf Morgan

Makeup

Whether or not you get your makeup professionally done for your session or not is 100% your personal preference!

Above, is a comparison between makeup done by my client herself vs. makeup done by one of my makeup artists. Both images are beautiful - don't get me wrong! On the image where my client did her makeup, it's very subtle & light whereas on the second image, with professional makeup, her features are a little more enhanced.

Either way is absolutely gorgeous! Just know - no matter which way you go, your makeup will "show up" less on camera, so it's important to keep in mind that if you are doing it yourself to still add a little extra, and if you are getting it done professionally, it may look a little "extra" in person so that it can show up soft & neutral on camera!

Looks done by my Artists



Looks done by Elizabeth Wolf Morgan



Looks done by Maine Guthrie

SAY
yes

- Solid colors
- Boots, sandals and sneakers
- Comfortable fits

SAY
no

- Logos, words or characters on shirts
- Athletic runners and ballcaps
- Too tight or too baggy outfits



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The Day Of

YOUR SENIOR SESSION



Furry Friends

BECAUSE THEY ARE FAMILY TOO



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It is incredibly special to capture the pets who will always be part of your memories, so you're welcome to bring your pet to the session, provided they can be controlled and they are allowed at our chosen location.

I strongly recommend bringing a friend or pet sitter along to handle and hold your pet while they are not in the shot.

And don't forget a leash, water, a collapsible bowl, and plenty of treats for your furry friends.

What to expect

DURING YOUR SESSION

My goal is to capture you as you are in this moment.

We likely will start pretty simple with some very basic posing to "break the ice". It can be a little nerve-wracking to be in front of the camera if you aren't used to it! But don't worry - in no time, we will be hanging out like we are best friends!

During the shoot, I like to play your favorite music to loosen you up, as well as just chat with you as we move through my prompts & poses! Some of it may seem silly, but just trust me! It's all for a reason, and if you feel super crazy doing a prompt, I will do it right there with you!

Although it may seem unposed sometimes, I will guide you every step of the way by positioning you in flattering light, and with gentle prompts to accomplish the candid - looking movements.

If at any point you are uncomfortable, just say the word! We will move along to something else! I'm all about keeping you comfortable and being your hype girl behind the camera to give you a confidence boost!



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Get Ready!

WHAT TO DO

- If you are getting your makeup done with one of my artists, arrive with a clean face! (Moisturizing helps, too!)
- Double check that you have all of your outfits and all of the pieces & accessories that go along with it! (Don't forget the shoes!)

WHAT TO BRING

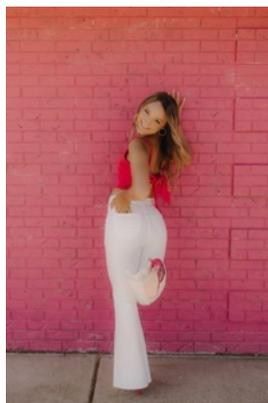
- Water - stay hydrated!
- A brush & maybe some hairspray (I have an emergency kit with me at all times as well though!)
- A neutral lip gloss/lipstick for touch-ups
- A jacket/sweater for in between sets when temperatures drop later on
- A relaxed, playful and come-what-may attitude. It will show in your photos!

What about Locations?

As far as locations for your session go, you don't have to worry about that at all if you don't want to! About a week before your session, I will reach out to you asking what sort of outfits you have chosen & from there, I can pair locations with your outfits that coordinate well.

However, if you DO want a say in your locations - YOU CAN! When I email you asking about your outfits, I will also ask if you have any particular locations or TYPES of locations that you just love the look of. That way, I can incorporate them into your session for you.

Typically, I will shoot in the surrounding area, but if you want to venture out into the city (StL) all you have to do is let me know! There may need to be some tweaks made regarding the start time of your hair & makeup or your session itself, though, so PLEASE do not wait until the day before your session to let me know!







After

YOUR SENIOR SESSION



What happens next?

SNEAK PEEK

A few days after your session, I will post a little teaser image from our session on social media so you can share the excitement from your session with your friends and family.



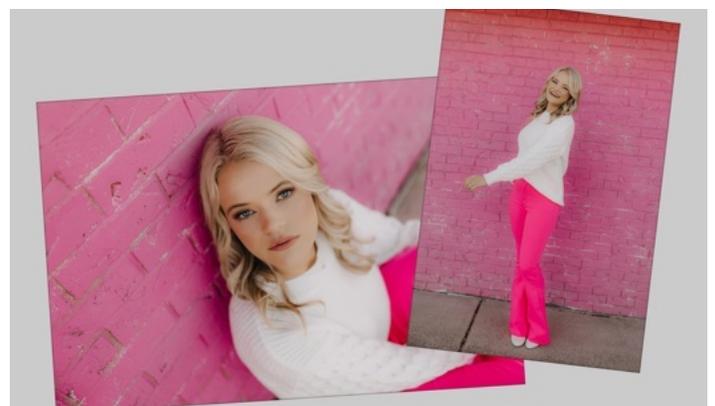
THE BIG REVEAL

About 2 weeks after our session, I will present you with an online gallery of the best photos taken during our session. You will be able to make your print and digital selections from this gallery, depending on the package you chose.



PRODUCT DELIVERY

2-3 weeks after placing your order for prints, albums, or wall art, you will be able to pick them up from the studio, ready for you to proudly display in your home. If you choose the full digital route, they will be delivered on a USB for the highest quality files.



Print your photos

PRINTING GIVES LIFE TO YOUR IMAGES

While capturing these emotion-filled moments with your family and scrolling through them on a phone or computer is enjoyable, there is nothing quite like tracing your fingers over a printed image of the smiles and faces so dear to you.

Hard drives can fail, and digitals get forgotten. The best way to make these memories something you can cherish every day is to keep it where you can connect with it every day - display it on your walls, make prints to pass around, and page through an album filled to the brim with all the moments that make up your family's story.



PRINTS

Prints are a perfect way to display a bunch of your favourite images, whether you pass them around or show them in small frames around the house. Superior color reproduction and fine art papers make a luxurious product to swoon over.



WALL ART

Whether you choose a classic frame or a modern canvas, these pieces of art are crafted with superior materials to provide an archival product that will be a statement on the wall that will take your breath away every time you pass by.



ALBUMS

Heirloom albums are meant to be passed on from one generation to the next. Album pages are printed on thick pages rich with color and are perfect for little hands to page through year after year as they see their family story unfold.



A little love

KIND WORDS FROM MY CLIENTS



I love how smooth and stress free everything was. You made me feel so comfortable while we were shooting by playing some of my favorite music. I loved how you were able to pick locations that matched perfectly with my outfits. I am excited to see how my pictures turned out and I'm sure I am going to love them. Thanks, Taylor!



Taylor is the best person to have take your pictures hands down - she's kind, funny, and made me feel very comfortable and confident throughout the shoot! I can't wait to get my senior pics back, I know they'll look amazing!



TI LOVED my session with you! I was pretty nervous at first but you made me feel confident and comfortable so quickly. Even though it was chilly outside, I was laughing and had tons of fun. I truly enjoyed every second of it. I also loved the locations you picked for my outfits. It was a great experience overall! I am so excited to see the final result and I do not doubt that I will love them!!



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