

getting ready guide

what to bring, clothing ideas & studio props

6

month

baby portraits



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INSPIRED CLASSIC PORTRAITURE

6mo: sitting up

This is a wonderful session! A 6-7 month old is often full of smiles and personality with their newly found independence of sitting up.

To get the best results, your baby should be sitting up without assistance with their back nice and straight and that they are past that 'toppling over' stage for the safety of your baby during your session.

This stage occurs at different times for different babies. Sometimes the ability to sit unassisted occurs as late as 7 to 8 months of age, which is fine... we'll capture the stage when it's right for your baby!



6mo: bare bottoms

We will be doing our famous bare bottom shots at this time. A great way to show off your wonderfully chubby baby!

We usually start the session with the bare bum, then move onto the clothed portraits.



6mo girls



Bring along a small selection of clothing. Tutus, diaper covers, dresses, headbands & pearls are great for girls (we have several items on hand for you to use, too!).

For clothing choices, keep it simple and classic. Solids, stripes, pastels and small patterns work best, so your baby will be the central focus of the portrait. We recommend fabrics and styles that hang loosely from the waist down so that the fabric falls nicely over the legs while seated.





6mo boys



Boys look wonderful bare-chested with a pair of jeans or a set of overalls. We also suggest bringing a favorite stuffed lovie or classic toy.

Clothing choices that are classic and simple are ideal. Solids, stripes, denim and khakis. Depending on the season, you may bring sweaters, rugby shirts, shorts or bathing suits.



6mo panel: love letters



The six month panels are a studio favorite. Spell out your baby's name or use the L-O-V-E letters. Or just build a sequence of your baby without any letters.

These multi-image sequences are designed to be displayed as a wall panel, typically 10x20" or 10x30" in dimension. A great item for the baby's room.



6mo: supported standing

At 6 months of age, a baby is starting to use their legs, even though they are not able to stand up on their own. A fun portrait with adult family members like this one gets to show off their full bodies from head to toe.



check list

to get ready for your 6 month session

clothing

While much of the session highlights your chubby naked baby, we invite you to bring: (for boys) jeans or overalls and polo shirts, (for girls) loosely fitted dresses or christening gown. It's best to not bring onesies; we prefer shirts that do not tuck in. Shoes are unnecessary. Avoid logos and big patterns.

props & accessories

Hats or ball caps for boys. Headbands and tutus for girls. Bathing suits. Winter hats or summer bonnets. For boys, maybe even Daddy's favorite tie!

personal mementos

Classic stuffed animal toys, or an old well-loved 'velveteen rabbit' (or similar) that was used by a parent or grandparent, that is perfect! You may also bring a small framed portrait of a parent or grandparent for the baby to hold.

snacks

We almost always take a brief break for a feeding midway through the session. It can be exhausting for your baby 'model' to make it through all those clothing changes.

we're prepared!

We have plenty of supplies on hand. Extra diapers. Extra wipes. Kid-friendly snacks. Bottled water. Coffee (for you, not the baby!).

more tips

to get ready for your 6 month session

1. relax & have fun

We know how stressful it can be just get out the door and arrive on time for your baby portrait session. Once you arrive, we'll take it from there! Relaxed parents have more fun and babies will respond to that energy.

2. well rested & well fed

Do your best to have a well-rested baby. In our experience, 6 month babies respond best in the morning, or immediately following a morning nap. Plan wisely around your baby's schedule.

3. plan around immunizations

Babies may have a round of immunizations about this time. We strongly recommend not scheduling your session immediately following a doctor visit. It's best to plan the doctor's visit for a day other than your session.

4. family members

Our goal is to focus on capturing a series of classic portraits of your baby alone. Once that is accomplished, we are happy to add some portraits with family. Older siblings work best at the 6 month session or later.

5. we're happy to help

Be sure to call us with questions at 978-744-6918 if we missed anything!