**FAQs**

**What is "shooting time"?**

Basic sessions are an hour long and mini sessions are 20 minutes of shooting. The difference is that basic sessions typically include walking around an area to different but close locations and I do include the walking as session time and shoot as we move. Mini sessions I do not include walking so your session typically lasts a few more minutes than a solid 20. A mini session also tends to not require much walking as it is planned to avoid exceeding your session time and for you to get the most out of your mini shoot. During each session I will periodically stop and review the images I have taken with you to make sure we're going in a positive direction. Neither session includes photo reviewing as part of the time.

*Photographer's note:*

I am providing a service and so I do stick closely to my times. However, as a personal belief, I ultimately want you to get the most out of your session and I'm always going to work with you as best I can in order to do so. This may mean that I decide to go over time (you will never be charged for this). I want you to walk away knowing you left with no less than what you came for and that your expectations are at least met and preferably exceeded. The only time I am diligent with scheduling is during events which have appointments back-to-back. I typically do not do events so that I am able to give you the most personalized experience possible. Sometimes, though, Santa can only spare a few hours and you can't be picky with Santa!!

**Can we wait a little, I'd still like to lose a few pounds?**

Do you know that \*I\* know exactly how to change that without you doing a thing??

How? I pose you!

Posing isn't just "this looks cute" it's:

✔️ Get rid of the double chin that EVERYONE has because it's just what our bodies do...but I hate mine too! I'm going to make sure yours stays out of the photos!

✔️ Make sure you don't have belly rolls and "back fat". I've had plenty of clients ask me to edit it out. I'll let you know now, though, that to remove it entirely actually makes us look very strange! However, I know how to eliminate what you're unhappy with as much as possible just by posing you correctly.

✔️ Extra skin from any weight change, especially pregnancy...besides the right outfit to flatter you, I'm going to make sure that's not the focal point and can likely eliminate it altogether! You do not need to be photoshopped just because you've got some skin you don't like, I promise this.

✔️ Acne scars? Pshhh...a little editing like that is an included feature of a basic package and will not cost you more so bring on those bumps and scars! I also recommend not putting on foundation or concealer too heavily for your session. I do not dissuade you from being comfortable with covering up your blemishes but I always suggest sticking to what your typical routine is and not worrying about adding more because of the shoot.

✔️ I WILL pose you so that your least favorite parts are NOT going to bother you. That's my promise. You even get to see what the images look like as we go to make sure I'm doing EXACTLY what makes YOU happy. Talk to me as we review and be honest and upfront about what you don't care for. I'll be honest back and let you know if you're over thinking and it's normal, or if it's something I can fix now and I will do just that!

I get it, believe me...I'm hardly where I want to be with my body! Which, honestly, I personally feel helps more - if I can pose my shape and size (which is likely \*more\* than yours), I GUARANTEE I can pose you. Plus, with a lot of poses, I'll likely be demonstrating it first for you so you get to see me be awkward doing it before you nail it on camera. Entertainment for you in every session!

Not all sessions are equal because not all bodies are equal. You may love a pose you saw but aren't the same size and shape. You know what, though? We do what works for you and you'll be surprised at the potential you have to KILL IT anyway. I love seeing what my clients are interested in trying and how they want to show themselves, so never hesitate to share with me any images you've found of poses that you'd like to try.

✔️ I'm here for you every step of the way and I PROMISE you will not leave your session unhappy. I am confident you'll leave satisfied. I'm going to work with you from the minute we start to the minute we end. You'll review your images, talk to me about how things are progressing, and we will make sure that you leave your session feeling amazing!

*Photographer’s note:*

My editing is minimal – typically it includes face smoothing, acne, and uneven skin tone, some fly away hairs, etc. In extreme cases I am able to swap eyes or full heads if someone blinks or turns, but only if the conditions work to complete this successfully. This is the extent of any basic and included editing on your images. Please discuss your concerns with me as soon as you have them and I will let you know what to expect. In some instances, I will be able to bring in an artist specializing in photoshop to further edit your images at an additional cost, which will be set by the artist. A quote would be provided in this instance stating if/which of the requests could be completed, costs, and time frames.

**So, what's holding you back? What are your fears and concerns and hesitations?**

Your vulnerability and uncertainty are valid. I do, however, have confidence in myself to say that I can win you over and get you to LOVE YOURSELF in less than 2 hours.

Whether you're doing this as a gift or for yourself, boudoir images are meant to make you feel like your best self and I'll get you there! If you're feeling unconfident because you want to lose weight, I PROMISE you that you do not. I understand that the holidays and winter can get us into a place that we're not fond of. I also understand that booking a boudoir shoot could also be the jump start you need to start your journey to lose that weight (you can book 6 months out, that's more than ok!).

I do not think that weight loss is always everyone's concern, but I want to address that it is a common one. If you want to wait, know that I'm never here to pressure you. I will say that I feel strongly about it not being something you need to be concerned about, but I respect how we all feel about ourselves. My goal is for you to feel GOOD doing a boudoir session. It might be intimidating at first...there's A LOT that you haven't done before!...but it shouldn't be something that you don't ultimately find and feel to be a positive experience.

**What do you mean you're a "safe space"?**

I. Don't. Judge. Have you ever thought of a great idea that you'd love to do for a photo session but never felt like you could really ask a photographer to do it? I'm your gal. I've done a variety of less typical and more creative shoots. (Please note that most aren't featured, as they preferred them to stay private from online. I always hope to be able to share images online because I'm proud of my work and love the experience and uniqueness behind every session, but I also respect privacy first and foremost. I also have the option for you to select only the images you'd like to share and keep the rest private as well).

“Ok... Like what? What are some “private” sessions you’ve supposedly done?” Some of what I've done includes shoots for webcam models (both nudes and feet), images from a furry convention in NJ, risqué male boudoir, cosplay, wrestling, only fans boudoir, and a couple's intimate shoot. I find none of these inappropriate or out of my preference to shoot. The content may or may not be typical or seem often but that shouldn't stop you from fulfilling an idea with me.

I also really like creativity! If you want to stand on your head in a paint puddle, I'm there and loving it. If you want to do some naughty photos with your partner, I can help! If you want to dress up in armor, I'm in!

I don't think twice about your gender, sexuality, preferences in clothing, nicknames, identities, beliefs, skin color, or what have you. It’s likely that I will forget your name and ask you probably 3 times at least but I think that's the worst I'm going to do. And if there's something new to me, I'm going to do my best to be sensitive and understanding and learn. This is truly my goal in life as a person and to extend that into my photography has really been my goal over the last year. You are who you are and that is that. I don't think anyone is strange or weird or don’t belong. Summary: I'm safe and I’m inclusive.

*Photographers note:*

A safe space does go both ways. This means that if I am shooting at your location that I am ultimately and exclusively there for business. If I choose to bring a chaperone they will not be involved in your shoot as your contract is with me, but they will be available and accessible to me at a moment’s notice. I have only twice brought a chaperone with me and I am fortunate to not have needed any assistance.

Unfortunately, when I get uncommon requests, it can sometimes be someone who is targeting a female for reasons that are not photography. This does not mean, however, that I am going to dismiss you without doing my best to learn what your needs *actually* are. I will work closely with you to ensure we are both on the same page. I DO NOT participate in any activities beyond photographing.

**I booked a shoot, who can be photographed during my session?**

Anyone! I often get asked things like "My friend is coming with me, can we do one or two with them in it?" Or "I booked a shoot for my parents, but can we do a few with all of us?".

Yes!

You have an hour and as long as I can fit them in the frame, you can add them! The only time I charge for additional subjects is with boudoir shoots. The session time does not include or exclude any quantity of subjects. If YOU only want a few with someone then we only do a few. If you're asking for "a few" because you're trying to sneak them in at no charge, I do understand as this is the policy with some photographers and that's fine, but it is not mine. You are welcome to include whomever you'd like. The same applies for any gifted sessions.

**Can I purchase a gift certificate?**

You sure can! Just message me that'd you'd like one and I'll be in touch with payment options and send you a digital certificate via email after payment is received.

\*Gift certificates are good for 1 year after purchase

**Do you accept trades?**

If the goods or services you provide are something that I can use and can be comparable to my rates, I am open to trades. I understand not everyone can afford things at certain times and do try to keep options open for everyone! Please reach out to discuss!

**Do you have payment plans available?**

I do not have any currently in place as a general practice. I would much rather work with you to give you your best opportunity to receive my services. Please reach out to discuss!