

“Rules” of Composition in Photography

A practical guide to help you create stronger, more engaging images

Why Composition Matters

Composition controls how viewers experience a photograph and helps tell a story.



Rule of Thirds

Divide the frame into thirds and place important subjects on the lines or intersections.



Leading Lines

Use lines such as roads, fences, and rivers to guide the viewer's eye.



Framing

Use windows, arches, trees, or other elements to naturally frame the subject.



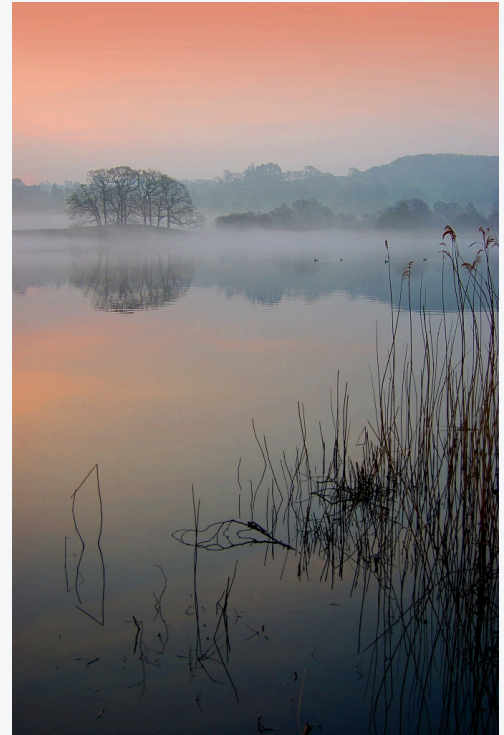
Symmetry & Patterns

Repetition and symmetry create order, balance, and visual impact.



Depth & Layers

Foreground, middle ground, and background elements add dimension.



Negative Space

Empty space emphasises the subject and creates a clean composition.



Fill the Frame

Get closer to your subject to remove distractions and increase impact.



Golden Hour and Blue Hour

Sunrise and sunset



Key Takeaways

Use composition techniques deliberately to support mood, story, and focus.



Questions?