

Preparation Guide

Automotive

Thank you for choosing to work with me for your automotive photography needs! To ensure a smooth and successful shoot, here is a preparation guide that outlines things you need to consider before, during, and after the session.

Great images start with great preparation

Clean Inside and Out

A clean car photographs dramatically better. Please wash and wax the exterior ahead of the session. Pay attention to the details: wheels, windows, mirrors, and trim.

Interior:

Clear out all personal items—chargers, sunglasses, paperwork, and anything hanging from the mirror. I also recommend **emptying the glove box and center console**.

Bring the Extras

Please bring **any spare keys, key fobs, and owner's manuals** you have on hand.

Choose a Location Thoughtfully

To truly let your car take center stage, **it's best to avoid locations with other vehicles in the background**. Cluttered surroundings can distract from your car's profile, reflections, and lines.

For best results:

- Try to secure a spot with clean, open surroundings—an empty lot, a scenic overlook, or even a quiet industrial area.
- We'll need about **20 feet of open space around the car** to capture clean, full-body shots from every angle. Tight parking spots or crowded streets can limit creativity.

If you're unsure, I'm happy to scout or suggest a location based on your car's character and the look you're going for.

Final Touches & Tools

On shoot day, bring a **microfiber cloth**, **window cleaner**, or **quick detail spray** for last-minute touch-ups. A quick wipe before each shot keeps reflections crisp and surfaces flawless.

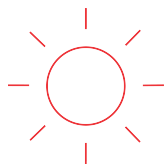
Quick Checklist

- Exterior washed and waxed
- Interior cleaned, glove box and console emptied
- No other cars nearby at location
- 20 ft of open space around the vehicle
- Spare keys and manuals ready
- Location selected or discussed

Final Thoughts

Your car is more than just a machine—it's a reflection of your passion, personality, and attention to detail. By following these preparation steps, you'll help ensure we capture it at its absolute best. I'm here to guide the process and bring your vision to life—so come ready, and let's create something truly striking together.

Let me know if you have any questions or if you'd like help creating your shot list or sourcing props. I'm here to make this a collaborative and creative experience!



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