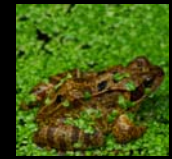




10 Tips



Great images



St Briavels



- Auto settings work well most of the time
- But if you understand your settings
- You can use the best settings for the scene

1. Try all the settings, check the results, know your camera

Lydney Harbour



- Take as many shots as you can
- Rivers and shores look best as landscapes
- Buildings and people look best as portraits

2. Think about framing; horizontals? verticals? Wide? Close?

Marazion, Cornwall



- Try to make sure you have foreground, middle ground & background
- Avoid intrusions

3. Try for a good foreground, middle ground & background

The pond at home



- Is it a portrait?
- Is it a landscape?
- Take as many pictures as you can
- Use all the options
- Pick the best later

Cannop Ponds



- Be flexible
- Get up early stay out late

4. Be flexible, look out for shapes, silhouettes and reflections

Lydney sunset



- Check for sharpness
- Use a support
- Buy a tripod

5. Check for sharpness, use a support, get a tripod

Severn estuary



- Make sure you have a back-up copy
- Use CDs, & external hard drive
- Store your pictures securely

6. Storage & image safety...don't lose your great images

Red, red rose



- Just liked the rose
- But look at the lower petals
- What can we do?
- Use a photo editor!

7. Use a computer & image editor (Picasa is free)

Bullo Pill, Forest of Dean



- Point & click..if you have your camera
- You will have your camera won't you!!
- A photo editor adjusted contrast to emphasise the rainbow!

8. Take your camera everywhere

Taurus Pottery



- Use commercial print services to get the best value
- Use good paper to bring out the detail

9. Use commercial print services for value

Taurus bronze



- Experiment with close-ups on still subjects
- Experiment with unusual shapes
- Triangles help

10. Experiment , experiment, experiment

Taurus



- Experiment with everything
- Select a topic a month
- Find out what works for you
- Do it all again!!

10. Experiment , experiment, experiment

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- 2-hour mini digital photo courses for everyone
 - 10 tips
 - Exposure
 - Composition
- One-day starter courses
- One-day skill development courses
- One-day enthusiasts course
- Build your own photo weekend in the Wye Valley and the Forest of Dean
- 60 hrs photography course (evening class, Bristol)
- 60 hours Photoshop course (evening class, Bristol)

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