

From Landscapes to Nurdles

Photography workshop 08-08-2018 Sarah Newton



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Exposure

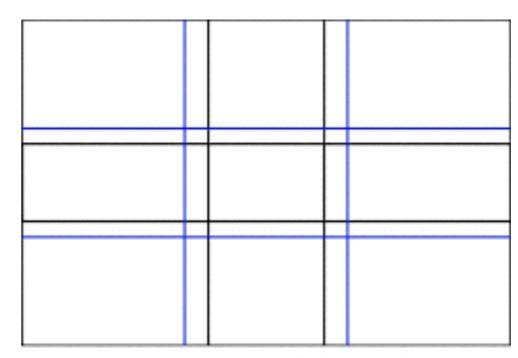
- In harsh sun diffuse the light with tissues, paper etc.
- In low light brighten/reflect the light with silver foil, paper, torchlight etc.
- With a subject with bright and dark areas you can adjust to the midpoint by tapping on a smartphone screen and moving the 'sun' cursor up and down.
- Check the readings on your camera, adjusting the shutter speed, aperture, and ISO until satisfied with the exposure.

Composition

- Off centre
- Rule of thirds
- Fibonacci spiral (divine proportion, phi, golden mean)
 1:1.618 e.g The Golden Mean https://www.youtube.com/
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- Beware of positioning (e.g. person in front of a boat mast)

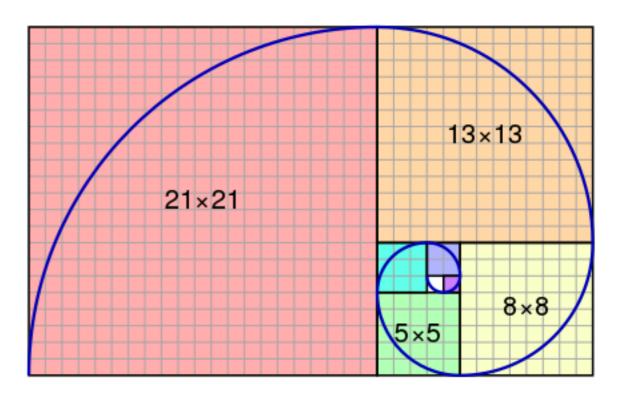


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Blue lines = Rule of Thirds | Black lines = Phi Grid

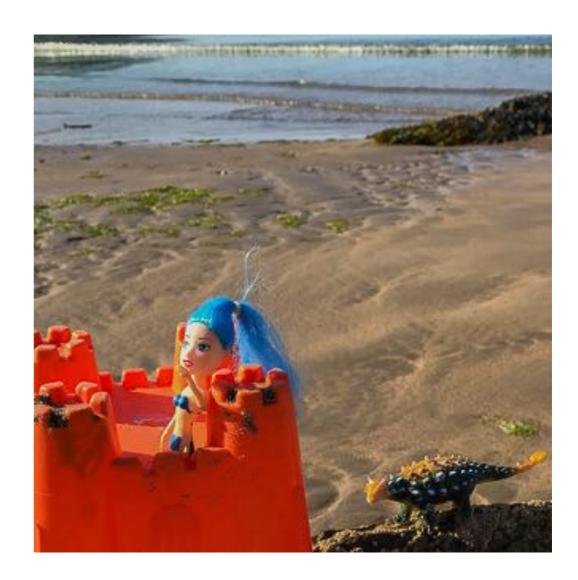
Patkar, Mihir. 2015. Using the Golden Ratio in Photography for Better Composition. Available at: https://www.makeuseof.com/tag/golden-ratio-photography/



Golden Spiral. Available at: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Golden_spiral

Contextual meanings and stories

- Intrigue
- Feelings
- Questioning
- What is going on inside and outside the frame?
- Making connections
- Understanding



Colour vs B&W?

Some considerations

- Range of colours
- Textures
- Depth
- Impact
- Personal preference





Land and seascapes

- Panorama
- Features
- Near & far objects
- Straight horizon and lines
- In or out of focus
- 'Postcard' or not
- Reflections
- Colour vs B&W





Individual subjects

- Helicopter viewpoint
- Ground level
- Side views
- Perspectives to disguise object
- Background context
- Use of enhancements (natural elements, manmade products)
- Room to move







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Competitions

2018 South Devon Photo Competition. Available at: https://www.visitsouthdevon.co.uk/visit-south-devon/photo-competition

Closes 09:00am 17th September 2018

Devon Nature and Landscape Photography Competition 2018. Available at: https://www.imaginedevon.co.uk/
 Competition

Closes 31st August 2018

- International Garden Photographer of the Year. Available at: https://igpoty.com/about-igpoty/ Many competitions through the year
- Countryfile Calendar raises funds for Children in Need. Available at: http://www.countryfile.com/article/countryfile-tv-show-countryfile-calendar/how-to-enter-countryfile-calendar-competition
 Annual. Closes in July.