

Photographing flowers

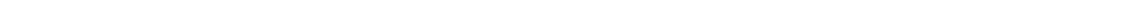
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Whether in your garden or a vase, flowers charm and enchant the eye with their dazzling colors and delightful shapes. Here are some tips to help make your flower pictures equally charming and enchanting.

Use a simple background

Find a position that provides a plain, non-competing [background](#). Or place a black or pleasingly colored cardboard behind the flower.



Get close

If your camera has a close-up focusing mode, use it and get as close as the camera manual suggests. With a [digital camera](#), use the display screen to compose the picture. Accessory [close-up lenses](#) are mandatory for dedicated flower photographers.



Shoot at different angles

Vary the level of your [viewpoint](#). Shoot down to create attractive pinwheel patterns of daisies; kneel to the level of other flowers, such as tulips and daffodils.



Use creative lighting

Observe the lighting on your flowers. [Backlighting](#) shining through some flowers gives them an appealing glow. Cloudy-day lighting reveals subtle hues.

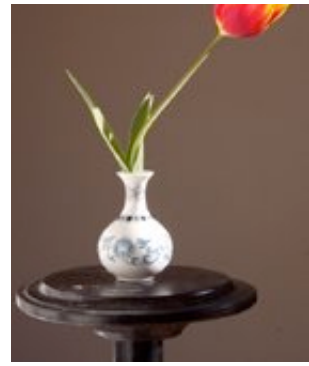


Control the wind

Is the wind tossing the tulip about? Bring the tulip indoors and create an attractive still life that you can easily photograph. Put the tulip in a vase and place it near a window. Or use a piece of cardboard to



block the wind. Choose your camera angle so the cardboard doesn't show in the picture. Or choose a colored board and position it to block the wind and to serve as the [background](#).



Display and share your pictures

To show those bold colors and details, use Kodak ultima picture paper or Kodak premium picture paper when you make prints on your [inkjet printer](#).

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