

Taking a Reference Photograph - Rare Jems Guide

To create a detailed, realistic pet portrait, I require clear and detailed photographs to work from. These photographs are best taken in natural daylight - cloudy or overcast days work best as this reduces harsh shadows on your pets features and shows their colouring well. The use of flash is strongly discouraged.

You do not need a fancy camera to capture these images! Most smartphones have a camera that will work just fine. Please ensure that you send me the raw photographs that you have taken - I cannot work from screenshots or any images that have been edited or that have filters applied.

I understand that providing clear photographs is not always possible, especially if a pet has passed away. In these cases, I will require several photographs to look at in order to capture your pet. Please keep in mind that in these instances, your portrait will be less detailed than usual, however, I will always work with you to create the best outcome.

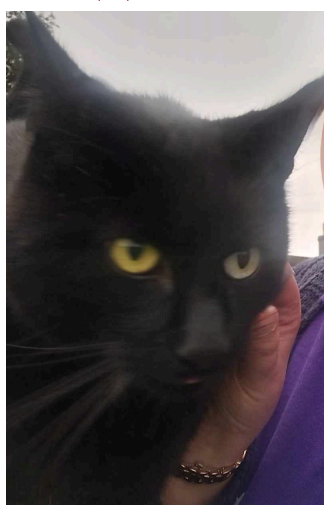
I reserve the right to decline a commission request and/or refuse photographs if I do not believe the photograph provided will result in the best outcome. I will always work with you to avoid this and accommodate you wherever possible.

Take a look at some examples below with some do's and don'ts of taking reference photos:

✘ Poor Lighting



✘ Pixelated



✘ Too Far Away



✔ Natural Light ✔ Down at Pet's Eye Level. ✔ Sharp Detail

