

YOUR NEWBORN SESSION WITH
winnie bruce photography



hello!

Congratulations on your new baby! Thank you so much for allowing me the amazing and rewarding job of photographing your new little mini in his/her first few days of life. Newborns are my passion and I consider myself truly blessed to be around these little miracles so much.

I am so excited to welcome you into my studio! On this page, you will find quick tips on how to find me!

My address is:
2063 Ingleside Ct.
Crofton, MD 21114

Please feel free to park on the side street.

My studio is in my home studio, so please feel free to be right at home as well.

We do provide drinks and snacks for you and your family as well, so all you need to bring are your baby supplies you like.

If you plan to have siblings photographed (full sessions only. Please inquire for newborn minis about policy for family), I only ask that when they are not a part of the session to have them out of the room. We want to ensure a calm and peaceful environment for the star of the show!

I do provide a little playroom for them to hang out in if they are done with their shots. The library and Waugh Chapel is also nearby.



what to expect

For Baby



Before the shoot, please feed baby 2-3 hours prior, and plan on feeding him/her as soon as you get here to set up, no sooner. Please try to keep baby awake, but if baby falls asleep en route to the studio, please don't stress. I do have tricks up my sleeve, but an awake baby prior to session will still result in a more successful shoot.

Sessions last between 2-3 hours, sometimes longer if baby is a light sleeper, or is hungry! The easiest way to ensure a sleepy baby is the willingness to nurse/bottlefeed off and on.

If you can, have the soother pacifier the hospital sent you home with. It's the bendable, green/blue/orangish one, and won't leave marks. Even if you haven't used one, just for the 2 hours that I'm posing him/her usually really helps.

If you don't happen to have one, I keep unopened soothers with me (as well as plenty of newborn diapers). However if you really prefer that we don't use one, that's fine as well!

When you arrive, you will notice that the studio will be very hot. It is because we are trying to mimic the environment in utero. Temps will vary between 80-90 degrees. Please feel free to dress for the temperature.

Also, I do try to keep all the baby details for your final images, but if things like dry skin are a concern, please feel free to moisturize as you please. If your baby has a diaper rash, please avoid using white diaper creams such as Desitin. It makes it quite difficult to edit out.

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For Mom & Dad

Mom & Dad you are a big part of the show. Photographing the connection between you and your baby is one of my all time favorite things. Just as they encourage in the hospital, skin to skin contact creates the most beautiful images.

Dads: if you prefer not to be shirtless I ask that you have a tight fitting t-shirt to wear with a good, snug pair of jeans. Please avoid sweaters, button ups, or henley shirts. Choose anything neutral color wise.

Moms: Keep the color neutral and design simple. A simple white, black, or beige tank top will be best. Be sure that you have no nail polish as your hands will make their way into the images. Also, rest assured, I aim to photograph using flattering angles and light to bring out the natural beauty in your family.



For Siblings

Including older brother/sister(s) in your newborn's portraits is the perfect way to document this fleeting time in your lives.

Sister(s): I provide a wrap that will act as the perfect top, or please have a snug fitting tank in a neutral color. I ask that girls hair be natural (or in braids) and free of bows, headbands, etc. Just as with mom, no nail polish please.

Brother(s): A snug pair of jeans and shirtless are preferred, please take a few moments to chat with your guy about this so he feels prepared for the session - though if he prefers not, a tight-fitting white t-shirt is fine.



a few additional thoughts

It is my hope that you enjoy the photo session and feel both comfortable and at home. I am truly honored to be able to document this incredible time in your lives and look forward to getting to know you and your sweet baby!

Any questions at all please feel free to call me at the studio at 415-215-8887.

Here's a list of a few things to remember for your session!

- Bottles and formula, or your nursing supplies, such as nursing pads, shields, shells, or creams you may need.
- Baby wipes
- A pacifier, if you would like to use one.
- Any memorabilia you'd like to use, but please limit to one or two setups only. Ask me about details if this is something you'd like.
- Diapers

I will provide all the headbands, hats, and all other accessories. If you would like to provide your own, please remember a knit hat photographs better than crochet, and dainty headbands are always better than big flowers and bows. Please send me images of your props too prior to your session to ensure if they will work or not.



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