

LIFESTYLE GUIDE SERIES: TRAVEL PHOTOGRAPHY TIPS



WHY TRAVEL?

Traveling the world is engrained in culture as “the thing to do”.

But we never question:
WHY TRAVEL?

REASONS TO TRAVEL...

- 1 To open your mind to new experiences, people, cultures?
- 2 A form of self-discovery by distancing yourself from the comforts of home/familiar people?
- 3 Give yourself a break to relax or to disconnect from work?

OR IS IT...

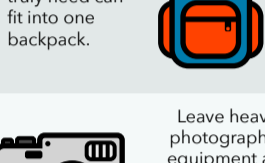
- 1 Escape from reality/boredom?
- 2 Show off to your family/peers?
- 3 Reach “enlightenment”?
- 4 Travel for the sake of traveling AKA “just to see things”?

If you said yes to the reasons above
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Take a moment to reflect if traveling will solve your life problems
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ASK YOURSELF WHY
YOU
AS AN INDIVIDUAL WANT TO TRAVEL AND
SHOULD YOU?

WHERE TO GO, FOR HOW LONG?

Spend less money by avoiding expensive destinations. You will be able to extend time for traveling.



Travel to fewer places to get to know the places better.
..... OR
Spend a longer time in the places you go to fully experience the area.



Book an Airbnb instead of a western styled hotel. This way you will immerse yourself on the local lifestyle/culture.



Travel close to home if you do not have the money/opportunity to go overseas.



Neighboring City Closest Mountains Within Yourself

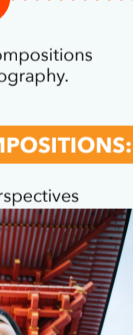
MINIMALIST: WHAT TO PACK

Everything you truly need can fit into one backpack.

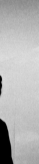


Leave heavy photography equipment at home. All you need to bring is one camera and one lens.

Pack light to conserve your physical and mental energy.

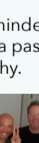


You can buy non-essentials when you reach your destination if needed.

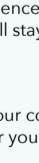


AVOID BRINGING COTTON CLOTHING. IT EASILY RETAINS A LOT OF MOISTURE.
TRY MERINO WOOL INSTEAD. IT DRIES QUICKLY, IS ODOR RESISTANT AND IS A STRONG/LOGLASTING FABRIC.

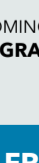
HOW TO TAKE BETTER TRAVEL PHOTOS



Don't be suckered by the exotic. Avoid the tourist traps.



Imagine being a local in the area. You will avoid photographing the cliché or the same pictures that other travelers would take.



Photograph the local people in their natural environment.

TRY THESE PLACES:

Busy cross walks



Restaurants/coffee shops



Subway/public transportation

Grocery stores

Use dynamic compositions in your photography.

TRY THESE COMPOSITIONS:

Low angle perspectives

High perspectives

Diagonal compositions

TRAVEL AND IMPROVE YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY

TO INVEST IN YOURSELF TO TRAVEL AND LEARN
...
EXPERIENCE AN ERIC KIM WORKSHOP

WHY ATTEND AN ERIC KIM WORKSHOP:

- 1 Meet like minded peers who also share a passion for photography.
- 2 Travel to an interesting city.
- 3 The experience and lessons learned will stay with you for life.
- 4 To build your confidence and to conquer your fears.
- 5 Push yourself out of your comfort zone for a new perspective on photography and life.
- 6 Have a passionate, patient, and engaging instructor.

CHECK OUT UPCOMING WORKSHOPS AT:
ERICKIMPHOTOGRAPHY.COM/BLOG

LESSONS FROM ERIC: FINAL THOUGHTS & TIPS

1. DON'T TRAVEL FOR THE SAKE OF TRAVELING...
HAVE A GOAL FOR YOUR TRAVELS
2. THE **PERSON YOU ARE** MATTERS MORE THAN THE PLACES YOU GO
3. TRAVELING WILL **NOT** BRING YOU HAPPINESS
4. TRAVEL LIKE HOW **YOU LIVE**, LIVE LIKE HOW YOU TRAVEL
5. THE **EXPERIENCES YOU MAKE** ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE PICTURES YOU TAKE

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