

# Landscape Photography - Tips and Tricks.

- Introduction Landscape Photography is not easy despite the general perception. Early and late and a lot of waiting around for the light.
- Planning, desk top study. Apps – yr.no, windy, [www.mountain-forecast.com](http://www.mountain-forecast.com), Google maps, TPE.
- Planning, on location. Leave camera off tripod and walk around looking critically at the scene – There's always a better composition to be found with a little patience.

## 11 Tips

1. Do not be in a rush to take your images upon arrival. Walk around looking for the best composition – leading lines, checking the corner of your frame, rule of thirds etc.
2. Don't just look at the big scene, train your eye to see the smaller detail.
3. Understand how light interacts with your scene i.e. contrast, surface textures, highlights etc. experiment in different lighting conditions.
4. Focal length and composition. Understand how different focal lengths effect the scene.
5. Planning, both at home and in the field. Use apps, local knowledge (ask), your own experience, check access.
6. Shoot what your happiest shooting, but when you understand the basic principals push yourself to go beyond your comfort zone. Develop a broad photographic base.
7. Don't just shoot for yourself. Enter competitions and seek helpful critique. Club competitions, friends, international Salons. Learn from your mistakes.
8. Be prepared. Clothing, willies, waders, food, flask etc.
9. Make the effort; do not press the snooze button at 3.30am on a summer's morning. Sunrise and sunset best light (Blue hour and Golden hour) but depending on what you are shooting, overcast rainy soft-box days work well also.
10. Analyze you images when you get home and see where you can improve your processes. Keep a file of 1 or 2 images from each shoot so that you can track your progress over time.
11. Enjoy what you do.

Interesting YouTube Landscape Photographers:-

1. Gary Gough.
2. Nigel Danson.
3. First Man Photography.
4. Simon Baxter.
5. Expressive Photography. – Alastair Benn.