



JAMES HARDMAN PHOTOGRAPHY



Client Guide

I'm James!

I'm a husband, dad, amateur classic car mechanic, former brewer and full-time professional photographer. I found photography at a young age, continuing a family tradition that stretches back to the days of running the family newspaper in Berkshire county, Massachusetts.

My love for photography builds year on year, and I can't wait to share my philosophy and skills with you to create some truly meaningful photographs of your wedding.



"We are so happy we found James to be our wedding photographer. In planning and on the day of, we loved his flexible, easy-going nature. He was always looking for the best light and angles and clearly avoided anything that could look staged. As we were going through the photos, we were baffled by how James seemed to be everywhere at once but we barely noticed. He let us be ourselves and it showed in the end result. I can't say enough about how amazing the photos came out and how perfectly he captured the day. His work is fantastic and he clearly loves what he does. I highly recommend James!!"

- Ashley and Brendan



What is Documentary Wedding Photography?



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The documentary style is different from traditional wedding photography. It almost isn't a style so much as an approach; one that places an emphasis on the genuine moments. This lends it an aesthetic that can tell a story naturally, and beautifully.



What Can You Expect From Me?

- Pre-wedding meeting
- An experienced pro
- Digital files carefully selected & individually edited
- Free travel within fifty miles of the Portland, Maine studio
- High-fives all day

"Unreal!! Our pictures came out amazing and James was perfect. A great fit for our day and supportive throughout the whole process!! His pictures told a captivating story of the entire day. A highly recommended choice for your wedding photography!"

- Meg & Kate



Wedding Coverage

Elopement

\$1900

Eloperments come in all shapes and sizes. This is the jumping-off point from where we can create the perfect elopement package for you, ranging in scope from simple to elaborate.

- 2 hours of elopement coverage
- In-person or phone/Zoom consultation
- Downloadable Online High-Res Gallery

Tier I

\$4500

This collection will most often cover the ceremony, reception and formal photos. Getting ready and some other pre-ceremony details can also be covered with some clever planning.

- 5 hours of wedding day coverage
- In-person or phone/Zoom consultation
- Downloadable Online High-Res Gallery

Tier II

\$5500

Three extra hours together make a massive difference on wedding day, because it allows us to meet on the early side, and to capture more of the day's details. Much depends on how we decide to use our time together, but this collection can be customized to fit seamlessly with most wedding timelines.

- 8 hours of wedding day coverage
- In-person or phone/Zoom consultation
- Complimentary engagement session
- Downloadable online high-res gallery
- 10% discount on albums & artwork

Tier III

\$7000

Spending ten hours together allows us ultimate flexibility, combining the perspective of candid wedding party photos and venue shots with the added perspective of a second photographer. Getting ready shots are where our day begins, continuing all the way through the ceremony, dinner, dancing and into the night.

- 10 hours of wedding day coverage
- In-person or phone consultation
- Complimentary engagement session
- Second photographer
- Free travel within New England
- Downloadable high-resolution gallery
- Beautifully crafted photo box
- Two hours of rehearsal dinner coverage
- 20% discount on albums & artwork



Extras & Add-ons

Engagement Session

\$900

Engagement sessions are great because working together and establishing our flow pre-wedding day has benefits down the line. Equally cool is that you get to walk away with some amazing pictures of the two of you!

Second Photographer

\$900

As experienced as I am, it's impossible to be in two places at once! That's why bringing a second photographer can enhance your collection, bringing unparalleled coverage.

Photo Booth

\$450

A fun and seriously popular extra that gets people out of their shells! The photo booth is set up close to the dance floor so guests can wander over and take photos of themselves, and print them out on the spot! All photos are uploaded to your gallery. Combine with Live Streaming to save \$200!

Live Streaming

\$450

If there are family or friends who can't make it to the wedding, what better way to include them than real-time video? In keeping with the theme of documentary-style coverage, the live-streaming option is stealthy and inconspicuous, but broadcasts to a web address that is accessible to your loved ones anywhere on earth. Combine with Photo Booth to save \$200!

Hybrid Coverage

\$2800

For couples looking to preserve their wedding day memories in unparalleled clarity, photo/video hybrid coverage is an elegant way to achieve it. Combining our abilities as documentarians with the flexibility of modern technology, we are able to deliver a 3-5 minute highlight film paired with footage of the ceremony, speeches and other key moments.

Extra Hours

\$400

While I always check in with couples 15-20 minutes before our time is up, sometimes the allotted time just isn't enough! I'm always willing to stick around if the party is really rocking and you'd like to keep getting pictures of it.



You're Getting Married!

Some Things To Consider:

- Engagement Session

Is an engagement session for you? The answer might surprise you. Aside from getting out into nature and making some beautiful photos, engagements are perfect for getting to know one another and for seeing what it's like to work with me. Once wedding day comes, you guys know exactly what to expect!

- Second Photographer

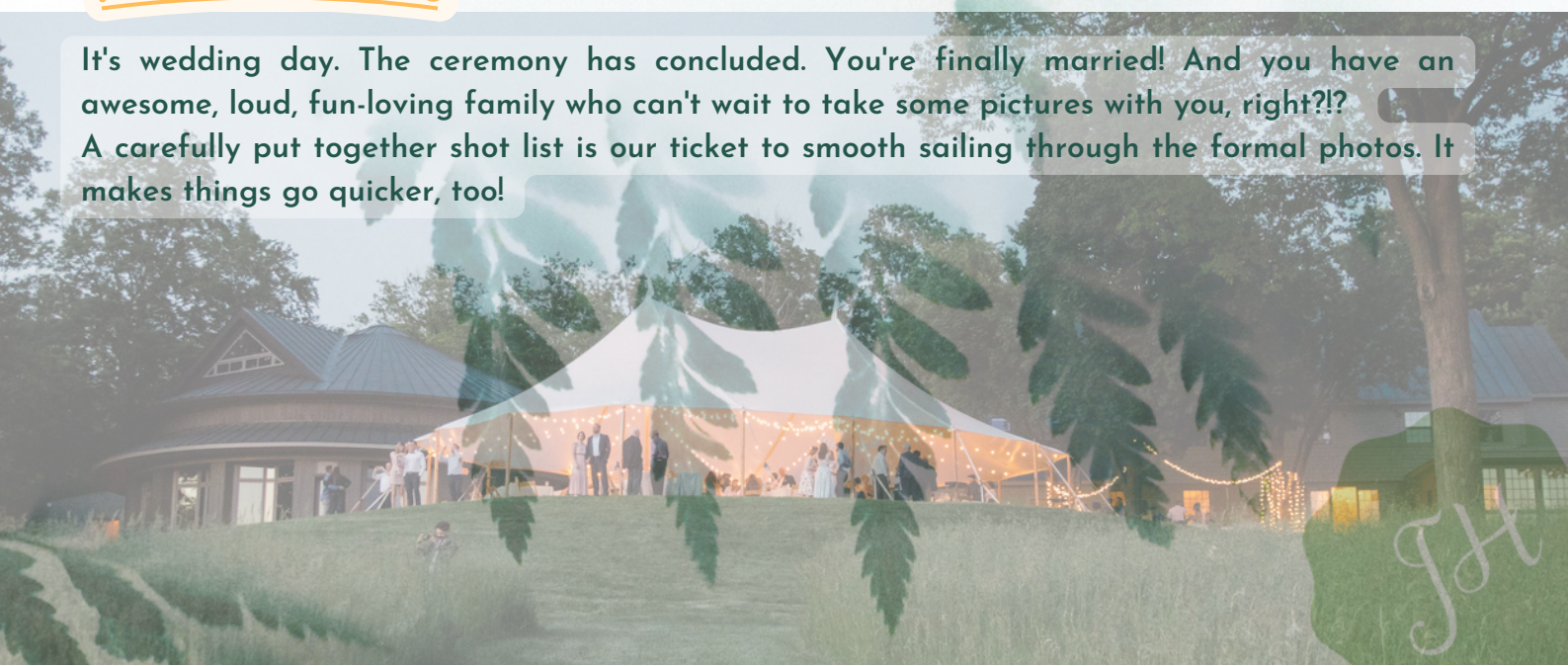
Sometimes it pays to bring along a second photographer. If we are planning on an extended family photo session, the other photographer is free to explore cocktail hour and to collect memorable images while we're away!

- Prints & Albums

When most of us have lives dominated by screens, it's possible to forget the power of something as simple as a print hanging on the wall. But when that piece of art becomes something you look and smile at every day without realizing it, it becomes something more. I am more than happy to assist with creating beautiful nondigital art for your home!

- Photo Shot List

It's wedding day. The ceremony has concluded. You're finally married! And you have an awesome, loud, fun-loving family who can't wait to take some pictures with you, right?!? A carefully put together shot list is our ticket to smooth sailing through the formal photos. It makes things go quicker, too!



Next Steps For Booking!

Let's Chat!

Whether on Zoom, over the phone or a visit to the studio, let's get together and talk! A personal connection is just as important as my camera, and meeting up to discuss your vision, my process and what we can achieve together is the best jumping-off point.

Your Ideal Collection

The collections listed above are intended as a starting point, to be customized and augmented to suit each couples' needs. Because I've served so many clients across so many weddings, I'm sensitive to the fact that NO two weddings are alike, and we will arrive at the perfect package together.

Booking

When we've designed your perfect wedding photography package, you will receive a custom proposal mapping out all the details of our agreement, complete with contract and payment information. All the relevant information is kept under one roof, and I'm always available for questions!



*Thank you for your interest!
I hope to chat again soon*