Midjourney CheatSheet for Photography

Midjourney quick-start: https://docs.midjourney.com/docs/quick-start

PhotoBert TRAINING AND WORKSHOPS

Midjourney Commands:

Command	Description	Command	Description
/imagine	Generate an image using a prompt.	/public	For Pro Plan Subscribers: switch to Public Mode.
/ask	Get an answer to a question.	/subscribe	Generate a personal link for a user's account page.
/blend	Easily blend two images together.	/settings	View and adjust the Midjourney Bot's settings.
/describe	Converts your images to text prompts	/prefer option	Create or manage a custom option.
/daily_theme	Toggle notification pings for the #daily-theme channel update.	/prefer option list	View your current custom options.
/fast	Switch to Fast mode.	/prefer suffix	Specify a suffix to add to the end of every prompt.
/help	Shows helpful basic information and tips about the Midjourney Bot.	/show	Use an images Job ID to regenerate within Discord.
/info	View information about your account and any queued or running jobs.	/relax	Switch to Relax mode.
/stealth	For Pro Plan Subscribers: switch to Stealth Mode.	/remix	Toggle Remix mode.

Midjourney Prompt format (for photography):

/Imagine Prompt: [**ImageURL**] **PhotographicTheme**, **Description**, **ImageAngle**, **ImageFocus**, **Lighting**, **Weather/TimeOfDay**, **CameraType**, **Realism**, **Photographer**   --**Parameters**

ImageURL: URL of existing image on the server (drag an image after typing "/Imagine Prompt:"

PhotographicTheme:

One of the following followed by the word "photography" e.g., "product photography"

3D	Abstract	Action scene	Aerial	Animated	Astrophotography	Augmented Reality	Banksy	Black and white
Bokeh	Candid	Catalogue	Catchlight	Cityscape	Computer	Cyanotypes	Documentary	Double Exposure
Drone	Establishing shot	Film grain	Film Noir	Food	Futurist	Gesture	Glamour Shot	Graffiti
Headshot	High-speed	Holga	Installation	Landscape	Lifestyle	Light painting	Lomography	Micro / Macro
Mixed Media	Motion	National Geographic	Nature	New Objectivity	Panoramic	Performance	Photograms	Photojournalism
Pinhole	Portrait	Product	Satellite imagery	Seascape	Still Life	Stop motion	Street	Street Style
Tilt shift	Time-lapse	Underwater	Unsplash	Virtual Reality	Wildlife			

Description: Description of the image you want

ImageAngle:

3/4 Profile	Close Up	Side Profile	Back Angle/ Behind Shot	Wide Angle	Fish Eye	Eye Level Shot
Low Angle Shot	High Angle Shot	Overhead Photography	Knolling		Drone Shot	Satellite Angle	

ImageFocus: Deep Focus | Defocused | Out of Focus | Rack Focus | Shallow Focus | Soft Focus

Lighting:

Backlighting	Beautiful Lighting	Bioluminescence	Blue Hour	Candlelight	Cinematic Lighting	Cloudy	Crepuscular Rays
Dappled Light	Deep shadow	Direct lighting	Dramatic Lighting	Fluorescent	Hard light	Lens Flare	Moody Lighting
Moonlight	Rembrandt light	Rim Lighting	Shimmering Light	Side lighting	Soft light	Sunbeams	Torchlit

Weather/TOD: Sunny | Rainy | Cloudy | Golden hour | Morning | Afternoon | Evening | Blue hour | Dawn / dusk | Twilight Hour

Camera Type:

Camcorder	CinemaScope	Disposable Camera	DSLR	Fuji Velvia	Fujifilm Superia	GoPro	Instax	Kodak 400TX
Kodak Ektar	Kodak Gold 200	Kodak Portra	Lomo	Polaroid	Technirama	Tintype	VistaVision	

Realism:

4k, 8k	Aperture setting	Blurred background	In a natural environment	Realistic skin tones
Sharp details	Sharp lines and textures	Specific camera model	Specific lens focal length	

Photographers: Include the name of a specific photographer or technique to invoke their art style. Some examples: (e.g., *in the style of Ansel Adams*)

Ansel Adams	Robert Capa	Dorothea Lange	Edward Weston	Man Ray	Alfred Stieglitz
Walker Evans	Eugène Atget	Andre Kertesz	Steve McCurry	Weegee	Irving Penn
Robert Mapplethorpe	Diane Arbus	Annie Leibovitz	William Eggleston	Joel Meyerowitz	Garry Winogrand

Parameters:　Defines how the output is created. These are some common parameters:

Parameter	Function	Range	Comments
--q	Quality	.25 - 5	Default is "1". Lower values yield less detail; higher more detail. Lower values render quickly; higher values are slower.
--seed	Seed	0-4294967295	The "seed" determines the starting point for creating images. Changing the seed changes the image. Keeping the seed the same will reproduce the same image.
--c	Chaos	0 – 100	Default is "0". High chaos values will produce unusual and unexpected results; lower values are more reliable/repeatable.
::w	Weight	0.5 – 2	Default is "1". Allows you to emphasize (or de-emphasize) certain parts of prompts. e.g., "plastic cow" vs "plastic::2 cow::1" – the second prompt emphasizes "plastic" twice as much as "cow". You can also "weight" segments with brackets, e.g., "a [human like robot]::2 with a [white wolf]::3 in the background"
--ar	Aspect ratio	any	Default is "1:1". Any aspect ratio can be used, e.g., --ar 4:3, --ar 16:9, --17:4. etc.
--stylize	Style	0 – 1000	Default is "100". Makes an image more or less stylized.
--tile	Tile		Generates images that can be used as repeating tiles
--style	Niji 5 Style		Try --style cute, --style scenic, --style original , or --style expressive
--iw	image weight	0 – 2	Default is "1". Change how varied the results will be. Higher values produce more unusual and unexpected generations.
--no	negative		Specify what to exclude – e.g., "landscape photo --no clouds mountains" for a landscape image without mountains or clouds
--style raw	raw mode		Results will be created using a more literal interpretation of the prompt and less "inspiration". (can also be enabled from /Settings)
--wierd	weird mode	0 - 3000	Default is 0. This command makes your images look more weird / edgy.

Common Art Styles:

2D Illustration	35mm film	8k	90s commercial	Abstract Expressionism	Ancient egyptian art	Ancient Greek Art	Ancient roman art	Art Deco	Art Noveau
Atompunk	Baroque	Bauhaus	cinematic	Coloring Book	Cubism	Biopunk	Bohemian	Bokeh	Byzantine Art
Carolingian Art	Celtic Maze	Chiaroscuro	Chibi	Cyberpunk	Dada	Dark Fantasy	Deathcore	depth of field	Digital Art
Dreamcore	Eclectic	Elfpunk	Expressionism	Fantasy	Fauvism	film lighting	Flat Design	Folk Art	Funk Art
Futuresynth	Futurism	Geometric	Glassmorphism	Gothic	Gothpunk	Halftone	Harsh lighting	Hasselblad full frame	Hasselblad H6D
high definition	Hypermodernism	Hyperrealism	Impressionism	Industrial	Japanese	Letterism	Lunarpunk	Macabre	Magic Realism
Manga	Mediterranean	Metalcore	Mid-Century Modern	Minimalism	minimalist line art	motion-blur	Muralism	Naturalism	Necropunk
Neoclassicism	Neo-impressionism	photography	Pixel art	Pointillism	Pop Art	Post-impressionism	Postmodernism	Pre-raphaelite	Propaganda Art
Realism	Religious icon	Renaissance	Retropunk	rim lighting	Rococo	Romanesque	Science-Fiction	Solarpunk	Steampunk
Steelpunk	stick figure drawing	Surrealism	soft focus	tilt-shift	ultra photorealistic				

Styles other than for a photo:

Backlight painting	*Blind Contour*	*Block Print*	*Charcoal sketch*
Continuous Line	*Cross Stitch*	*Cyanotype*	*Folk Art*
Graffiti	*Life Drawing*	*Lithograph*	*Loose Gestural*
Naturalist Illustration	*Paint-by-numbers*	*Pencil Sketch*	*Pixel Art*
Risograph	*Scratchboard*	*Ukiyo-e*	*Value Study*
Watercolor			

Hints for good prompts:

- *More than about 40 words are ignored by Midjourney.*
- *Shorter prompts increase your chances of getting the image you want.*
- *The first 5 words are the most important.*
- *The first subject mentioned often appears in the image's center.*
- *Prepositions ("in," "at," "on," "of," and "to") are ignored.*
- *Try writing a prompt and then have ChatGPT "condense" the phrase. (e.g., "Condense the following phrase: [put in your phrase].")*
- *Don't use redundant words (e.g., don't use: "a man swimming, swimming, man")*
- *Start off with the type of image you want. e.g., "a photo of…" or "a line drawing of…", etc.*
- *Stick to the main ideas you want to see in your image and make each word count.*
- *The bot doesn't understand grammar or sentence structure.*
- *Focus on what you want in the image. If there's something you don't want, use the "--no" parameter for a better chance of keeping something unwanted out.*
- *Think about the subject, medium, environment, lighting, color, mood, and composition when prompting the bot.*
- *Everything in your prompt has a default weight of 1. You can add weight or use negative weights. For example "cat::2" would give it a weight of 2.*
- *Check your settings (/settings)! Make sure you're using version 5 for the most realistic-looking images.*
- *Use the RAW mode (in settings) to render less "opinionated" images.*
- *Upload a photo and use the /define feature to get prompt inspiration.*
- *Experiment with cameras, film types, angles, perspectives, lenses and apertures for a different look/feel to your image.*
- *Be sure to specify what kind of lighting you want.*
- *If you don't get what you want the first time, try regenerating the images.*

To keep the consistency of an uploaded photo, try using a strong image weight (::2) for the image URL (e.g., **https://s.mj.run/12345::2 futuristic**) and/or use this phrase in the prompt: **keep the consistency of action, expression, clothing, shape and appearance of the photo**

Try these details in your prompt for photographs:

polaroid	360 panorama	super resolution microscopy
Microscopic	100x magnification, 200x magnification, etc.	Night vision
Cinematic	Film noir	miniature faking
Depth of field	Wide angle lens	Ultra wide angle lens
Macro lens	Telephoto lens	Zoom
Tilt-shift lens	15mm lens, 24mm lens, 200mm lens, etc.	Canon EF 50mm f/1.8 STM Lens
Nikon AF-S DX NIKKOR 35mm f/1.8G Lens	Sigma 18-35mm F1.8 Art DC HSM Lens	Tamron 70-200mm f/2.8 Di VC USD G2 Lens
Sony FE 24-70mm f/2.8 GM Lens	Fujifilm XF 56mm f/1.2 R Lens	f1.8, f2.8, f4, etc.
Polarizer filter	Infrared filter	ND-filter
Rule of thirds	Lens flare	Split toning