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Frequently Asked Questions



1.

When do I book my cake smash session?

The earlier the better! We only take a select number of sessions per month. To ensure we have space we recommend booking at least 6-8 weeks in advance. If you would like to have the final images **BEFORE** baby's **birthday**, we ask that you book your session 4 weeks prior to their birthday.

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2.

When and at what time do sessions take place?

Cake smash sessions are done on Tuesday's, Wednesday's and Thursday's between 9am and 2pm.

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3.

My baby is crawling and/or walking, how will you photograph them?

I've got you! I have lots of tricks and tons of experience with toddlers - not to worry! Typically once the cake comes out they're happy to stay put.

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4.

What about the mess?

It's one of those things that you risk when photographing cake smashes. There's a reason I dress pretty casually! Don't worry it won't be the first or the last time I've had some cleaning to do! Over the years I've gotten it down to a science.

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5.

Do you provide the cake?

Due to allergies and dietary restrictions, I do not provide the cake. I am happy to provide you with recommendations or a "DIY cake smash cake" guide (see next question for more information on the cake).

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6.

What type of cake should I provide?

Over the years, I have seen many different type of cakes and I can now confidently say that the best cake for a cake smash is a **small (4"), nude cake**. Babies get very easily overwhelmed - less is always more. Most babies dislike the texture of icing on their hands and tend to loose interest when there's too much cake and icing. This type of cake is also minimalistic and keeps the focus on your baby. I ask that the cake be peanut and nut free - due to my own allergies.

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7.

Can I make my own cake? And why you should.

Yes! Making your cake is the best option. Not only is it cost effective but you can also tailor it to your babies likes and dislikes. Most babies haven't had much sugar in their first year and won't eat much of a regular cake. You're not a good baker and you are worried it wont look good? It's okay! The cake will be smashed after approximately 2 images - plus your baby will out shine the cake. I have even made you a "DIY Cake Smash cake" guide and have cake pans you can borrow to make things super easy for you! I ask that the cake be **peanut and nut free** - due to my own allergies.

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8.

Do you provide outfits?

I have a few outfits in studio that you can use for your baby's cake smash. I ask that before your session you coordinate with me which outfit you would like to use. That way if you are using one of the studio's I can ensure it is clean and available for you. You may also bring your own (see next question).

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9.

What type of outfits should baby wear?

My best advice is to put baby in something cozy and comfortable. A simple white onesie is always adorable and timeless. Otherwise knitted overalls or sweaters are also a cute option. Don't forget the diaper cover. Stick to neutrals (white, cream, beige, grey) or very light pastels. Avoid bold prints, patterns or logos. Avoid "full outfits" such as jeans, dress shirts, bowties, shoes, etc. Remember we want to see their chubby thighs and toes.

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10.

Do you include props? And why we don't use them.

My goal is to create classic and timeless images with your baby as the main focus. For this reason, the only props I use and provide are a few wooden toys, white balloons and headbands. I highly recommend you trust my professional and creative vision. If you absolutely want to bring anything else, please be sure to let me know before your session.

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11.

Can I add a tub session to my cake smash?

Yes, you can end your cake smash with a tub session for \$150, including an additional 3 images. This is a great way to clean baby off before you head home.

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12.

Can we have family or sibling photos done at the same time?

Yes, the focus is mainly on baby however they are absolutely welcome to participate in a few poses.

We ask that siblings leave after the first 20 minutes in order to not disrupt baby's cake smash portion.

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13.

My spouse needs to work/my older kids have school, how can I make this work?

The great thing is we only need your spouse and older sibling(s) for approximately the first 20 minutes of your session. In fact we ask that you arrange to have a parent or another relative/friend take the older sibling(s) out of the studio once their part is done. With this in mind, your spouse can go back to work and older sibling(s) can be dropped off at school/daycare.

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14.

Why does my older child(ren) have to leave after their part is over?

The studio is small and not set up for children to play/wait in. It is important that we keep baby engaged and focused on their cake. Older siblings are often excited and want to join in on the fun and can distract baby.

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15.

What should I bring:

- The cake.
- Outfit used for the cake smash.
- Puffs or small snacks to hide in cake.
- Water for baby.
- Change of clothes for you and baby.
- Face cloth for cleaning baby.
- Towel if adding a tub session.

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16.

Please inquire about the following:

- Pets in the studio.
- Exceptions to having grandparents and/or other family members present.
- Much older siblings (8+) staying the entire length of the session.
- Any other questions you may have.

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