

Course date:

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## LANDSCAPE COURSE INFORMATION

Here is some information to help you prepare and find us on the day.

- **Meeting Point:** our house, Briarwood, in Tunstead Milton. Directions are attached, see web site 'Contact' page for map. For car sat nav the postcode is SK23 7ER. Advertising boards will be seen on the verge outside the house. Park on the front drive.
- **Meeting time:** 9 am. Arrive anytime from 8.30 am for a tea or coffee – I have a gallery of pictures for you to look at, including some of the places we will be photographing.
- **Contact telephone numbers:** shown below if you need help.
- **Train stations:** Whaley Bridge or Chapel-en-le-Frith (2 miles, Manchester/Stockport to Buxton line) and Chinley (3 miles, Sheffield to Manchester line).
- **Introduction:** We will spend a few minutes introducing ourselves and chatting about what you would like to get out of the day. I will show you some of my photographs to give you a few ideas for the day and talk about composition and exposure. This is the only planned group session of the day, you have individual 1-to-1 tuition from me and my wife Jan once we are out and about. Then it is off to the first location to take pictures (we do all of the driving in our cars so you can relax and enjoy the scenery).
- **Camera equipment:** Bring your own gear with you (film or digital or both), including a tripod and filters (green, yellow, orange - for film users only) if you have them. I have filters which you can borrow or buy.
- **Film:** Ilford FP4 Plus film will be provided, if required (up to 3 rolls), to those working with 35mm and 120 film cameras.
- **Digital:** If you will be using a digital camera and would like help with its operation please bring the manual with you – there are too many different sorts for us to be familiar with them all. We always cover exposure, especially underexposure, histograms and clipping. **IMPORTANT:** Bring at least 1 spare battery; fully charge rechargeable batteries. Have enough storage space for lots of image files, e.g. 150 to 200 colour RAW files.
- **Clothing:** We will be outdoors most of the day. Walking clothing usually works best. Make sure you have something warm and **waterproof** (jacket and trousers). Layers of clothing work well then you can add and remove clothing as needed. If any of this is a problem please give me a call; we may be able to lend you something. A sturdy umbrella is sometimes handy to protect the camera from rain!
- **Footwear and fitness:** Over the day we usually walk up to 4 miles in total so make sure your footwear is comfortable and ideally will keep your feet warm and dry, even on muddy ground. Photography, not hill walking, is the main aim and we will adapt the program according to your requirements.
- **Health:** Please let us know of any health issues that could be a concern.
- **Lunch:** We will find a pub or cafe for a short lunch break (cost not included in the price). If you prefer to eat your own packed lunch for any reason please bring your own.
- **Locations:** We visit between 2 and 5 locations on a 1 day course. You will have opportunities to take wide landscapes, selecting smaller parts of the landscape, trees, water, waterfalls, rocks and plants. The itinerary is weather dependent.
- **Booking more than 1 day:** If you book more than 1 day, or return for another course, we always try and visit different locations to those we have already taken you to.
- **The day ends between 5 pm and 5.30 pm** with a cup of tea or coffee at Briarwood.
- **Dave Butcher Blog:** I have a blog and if you would like to see one or two of your pictures from the course on this then send them to me (72dpi, 500 pixels max dimension, up to 100 kb jpeg). I will load them, then you can add your own comments.

We are looking forward to meeting you and having a rewarding day.

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