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Create a beautiful gallery wall

If you have invested in gorgeous family photos make sure you do them justice by showing them off! There are so many ways your photos can be displayed but it's hard to rival the look of a large-scale, personally curated, gallery wall. This step-by-step guide will help you create your very own from scratch!



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You will need...



- Parcel paper or any large pieces of paper
- Scissors
- A crayon or pencil
- A tape measure
- Picture hooks/ nails and hammer
- (You will need a drill with drill bits and appropriately sized screws and rawl plugs for larger, heavier pictures)

Where to hang your pictures...



Things to consider when choosing where to put your gallery wall:
Is there enough space to create a feature wall with lots of pictures? The best walls to create a picture wall are those that have space all around.



Also, consider the shape of the space like a wall leading up a staircase or angled walls like those in a loft conversion.

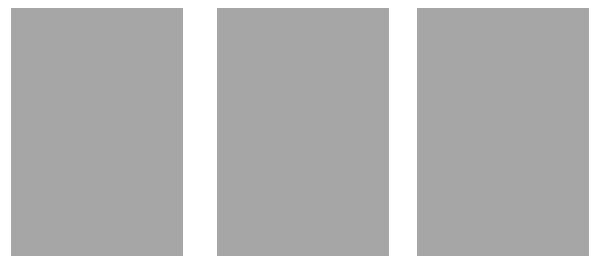
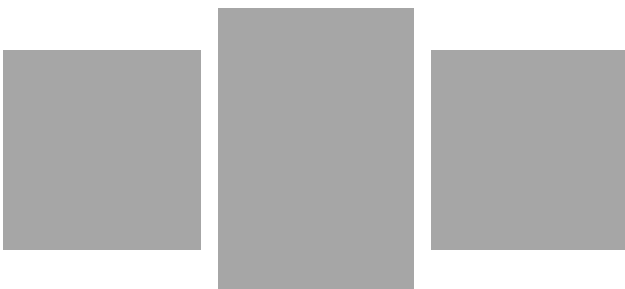
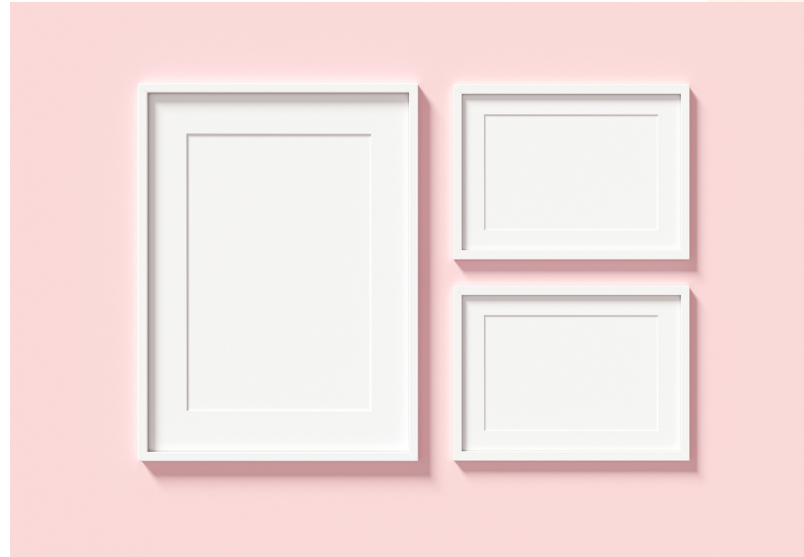
Is the wall wallpapered, plain or patterned? Will the pattern of the wall clash with images or frames?

Also, what is the room used for? You might want to put them in a room that is really visible to guests and visitors or perhaps keep them somewhere more private for just family to see.



Choose a layout style

Here are some examples that may help you. There are plenty more on [Pinterest](#). Make sure you measure the space and can fit the framed pictures in before you order them. These are examples of simple rectangular and square layouts and can be used for larger or smaller pictures.

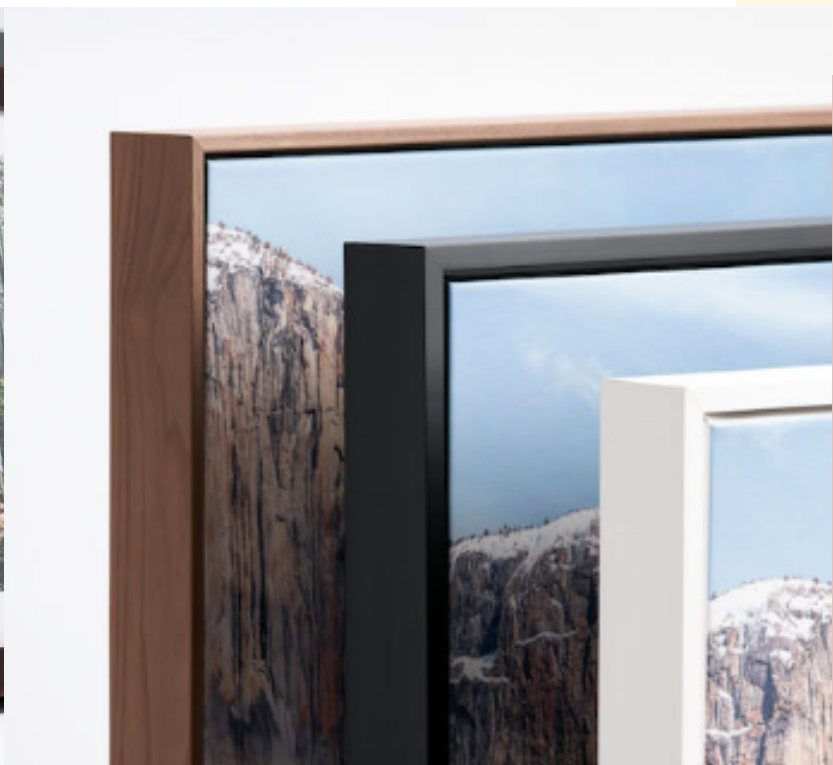


Choose your photos from your Pixieset gallery!

Take time to look through these together. Consider having a theme you stick to. Photos from the same session will have similar colour tones and editorial styles. Opt for black and white to give them a really elegant look or go for an eclectic if you prefer!

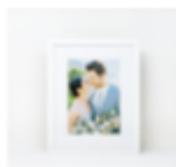
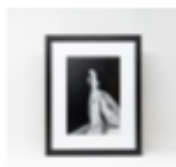


When framing your photos think about the colour, texture and thickness of the frame. Also, consider whether you prefer mounted images or want your images to fill the frame (see examples below).



Pixieset sizing

If you order your images through Pixieset they offer a variety of framing options and will show you mock-ups of what your finished product will look like. The other great thing about this is that you know you will get the right size frame for the image you have chosen and that it will arrive already professionally mounted and framed so all you have to do is hang it in the space you have mapped out.



Product Options

[Manage Options](#)

Size	10 x 8, 10 x 10, 12 x 12, 14 x 11, 20 x 16, 24 x 16, 24 x 20, 30 x 20...
Frame	Satin Black, Satin White, Beech, Mahogany
Paper	Lustre, Photo Rag, Museum Rough, Fibre Baryte Gloss
Mat	No mat, White mat, Black mat

Hanging your photos...

Now for the fun part! Before you do anything else - do a mock-up of your layout. Use large pieces of paper (parcel paper works well) to draw around each one of your frames and cut them out. Then turn your frame face down and place the paper over the top of it. Feel for the attachment/cord under the paper and make a mark with a crayon where it is.



Using Blu Tack, arrange the cutouts on your wall until you have them exactly where you want them. Keep in mind spacing between pictures.



Once your cutouts are in place you can now hammer through the paper exactly at the mark you made. Or if using a drill, drill through it. Now hang your pictures one at a time removing the paper as you go. Use a spirit level or check by sight that your frames are straight.



Sit back and enjoy your stunning gallery wall!



Useful Links

[Hanging a picture](#)

[Pinterest gallery wall layout ideas](#)

[Pixieset products](#)