

# Balloon Party Sessions

## Everything you need to know about your balloon party

Balloon parties are scheduled with up to an hour of studio time. This gives us plenty of opportunity to let little ones get used to their surroundings and settle in before starting with their photos. A typical session lasts around 45 minutes, but if our birthday boy/girl is a little shy and needs longer there's no hurry and no pressure to get started.

If you've opted to add on a white background mini session or hot air balloon, these will both take place at the start of the session before moving to the birthday set.

Please note that each add-on adds approximately 15 minutes onto your session time, so that's something to bear in mind when thinking about little ones' attention spans and how much you want to include on the day.

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- Set Dressing



Your birthday set will be prepared prior to your arrival at the studio. Balloon parties are based on the same set dressing as cake smash sessions, which includes bunting, balloons, wooden letters and other decorations to match your chosen colour scheme.

We kindly ask clients NOT to bring along additional set dressing or props of their own. We have carefully selected items that we know photograph well and adjusting the set on your arrival may delay our start and reduce the time available for your shoot.

If you'd like to add a simple motif, such as the sunflowers pictured on the left, please tell us about it because small additions can often be incorporated into our standard sets at no extra cost.

If you've opted to hire a themed backdrop, we'll have a full consultation with you about set dressing and theming prior to your session.

- Balloons



On top of the balloons included with the base set, your balloon party also includes additional set dressing. This is made up of at least two extra balloon displays PLUS additional loose balloons to be played with.

In short, there are LOTS and LOTS of balloons, all colour coordinated and all yours to take home with you\* after your session.

\*balloon display stands not included.



- *Clothing and Accessories*

### What to wear

We prefer you to bring your own clothing if possible and strongly advise you to try on new outfits at home first to ensure you have something that's a good fit.

If your little one is fussy about clothing changes, we'd suggest arriving already dressed in the clothes to be worn for the photoshoot to avoid any dramas after you arrive. If clothing changes are easy enough to manage though, there's no mess involved in a balloon party and we have plenty of time for 2 or even 3 changes of outfit for extra variety.

Please choose clothing in either whites/creams or in colours to match your colour scheme. We recommend NOT purchasing clothing that features text such as "I am One" or large logos. Kids won't stay perfectly still and outfits have a tendency to twist with movement which obscures the lettering.

### Studio Wardrobe



We also carry a small range of outfits sized for one year olds which you're welcome to use for even more variation.



One year olds do vary quite a bit in size though, so we're unable to guarantee that clothing will be the correct fit or available in your preferred colour scheme.

### Accessories

We have a variety of birthday crowns, hats and other accessories available for use during your session, but please feel free to bring your own if you'd like to.



- What to bring with you on the day

All birthday packages are 100% all inclusive, so there's no need to buy anything extra or bring anything specifically for the session.

However, there are a few things that you might want to pack for the day.

### Balloon Party Checklist

Familiar toy to use as a soother or attention grabber. You may also choose to include this as a prop in some of the shots	
Drink / snacks for your little one – particularly if your appointment is close to a meal time or you have to travel a little way in the car.	
Up to 3 different clothing changes if you'd like to incorporate a few different looks into your session using your own outfits.	