

PHOTOSHOC DREAMING GUIDE

À LA MOJO PHOTOGRAPHIC BOUTIQUE

WHAT IS YOUR MOJO?

Your Mojo is your personal power.
It is what lights you up and makes you irresistible. It is your own unique brand of awesome and it exists even if you don't have a clue where within you.

Master Photographer Mandi Lynn and her team at A La Mojo Photographic Boutique will help you find and create beautiful art that celebrates your mojo.

A shoot with Mandi is not just a photoshoot. It is a life changing experience. You leave so much richer than when you arrived. Mandi has a Bachelors of Nursing and has won so many awards for her art that the New Zealand Institute of Professional Photography has given her the title of Master. She is an artist, a healer, a match maker. She helps

you to fall in love with you again. To find that inner minx, that core of deliciousness that you may have tucked into a box under the bed and kind of forgotten. Sometimes the frantic pace of life just wears it down. But the truth is, the dryness that you may have felt is just the chrysalis of a butterfly. Because through it all you are getting stronger and more beautiful. You are about to experience a Mojolution.

Mandi has a secret sauce method for teaching you how to overcome the blocks that keep you from shining in life and on top of that she can teach you how to be photogenic.



Mandi Lynn, BSN, MNZIPP Creative Director, Author, Teacher Mojo Midwife Cheeky Minx with a Camera Prone towards canonballs near bodies of water

WHAT IS YOUR PREFERENCE?

What lights you up?

What is the something that makes your heart beat a bit faster when you pay attention to it?

What do you LOVE doing? What does everyone say you are particularly good at? Most people are really good at telling what they don't like...cool that can be a clue...what is the opposite of that? See we are on a hunt. A quest to find your unique Mojo and it is found in your preferences.

Remember preferences? Those are those things that you have been culturally conditioned to stop listening to. Nice girls don't do that. Stop fidgeting. Are you sure your want to wear that? Don't stick your neck out. Don't be a tall poppy. All of the things in our life that have tied us up and held us back...the Mojolution is about breaking through those constraints to find what really resonates with you and you alone.







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So we have invented a method to find these things. The easiest way to begin is to create a vision board. Pinterest is my favourite way to do this but if you prefer to do it manually by cutting and pasting from magazines, that is okay too. What ever your preference. :)

Put Hair, Makeup, Poses that make you go wow! Playful moments, Cute kittens what ever. Things that visually excite you. Create a Treasure box of images that Mandi can use to feel your inner preference pulse and then bring it out in the images she creates for you.

What your vision board needs to have on it is things that you love. What lights you. What do you enjoy doing.









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HAIR AND MAKEUP

Mandi or her handselected artists do your Hair and Makeup as it gives her much greater control over the end result as well as allows her to change things with each look.

Usually people start with a slightly more laid back makeup look. One that is suitable for corporate headshots or more casual looks. Then we amp it up if you like and can take your hair and makeup to new heights... literally. We love challenges and the more interesting the brief the better.

We do hair and makeup for both men and women and transgender. We can do makeup for up to two people at a time at the studio.



WHAT TO WEAR

After you have created your vision board you will have a much clearer idea as to what sort of styling you would like for your shoot.

Bring about 5 outfits with you. We may not use them all but it will give us some good variety to play with.

Bring at least one pair of high-heels with you...or better yet show us your shoe fetish collection!

The most important thing is to bring goodies that make you feel beautiful.

We have gorgeous items we have found and gather regularly, special treasures and clothing you can use to accessorise what you bring. But the baseline will be what you have brought for yourself.

If you decide you would like to do a boudoir shoot then by all means treat this as an opportunity to either show off all of those beautiful knickers you own or go out and treat yourself to a sumptuous new set.

We recommend bringing a pair of flesh coloured undies and flesh coloured well fitting bra as well just so that we can mix and match clothing.

BOUDOIR AND NUDES

A La Mode Photographic Boutique is famous for our beautiful couture boudoir and nude sessions. We have a private stream side cottage studio with the most delicious shabby chic boudoir inside and gorgeous country gardens and tree covered stream outside. Our intimate sessions are romantic, elegant, whimsical, ethereal, and beautiful. You will work only with Mandi Lynn as she shows you how to move and present your best features in the most flattering ways. We play. We laugh. We giggle. We sometimes laugh so hard we cry. It is about getting you into a playful beautiful sensual space

that will blow you away and anyone else lucky enough to see the images. These are images for now but they are your secret treasure box of your beauty for when you are in your rocking chair in your 80's. These images grow in value over the years.

Mandi lets you guide her as to what level of nudity you are comfortable with and then she works to create a beautiful scene that you will never forget.

WHO TO BRING

You have complete permission to make this a gorgeous date with yourself.

You are welcome to bring a friend (or female partner) and share the experience. Decide what will feed your soul the most and go for it. Mandi can do makeup for two people.

If you have a male partner, why not invite him to come at the end of the shoot so that we can focus on getting your shots and then snag a couple of the two of you together with you looking amazing, then you are off on a date night with you looking and feeling better than you have in ages.

If you have small children you want to have photographed with you, the best suggestion is to have someone mind them while you are getting your hair and makeup done. Then have your minder bring them after you have a bit of your own shoot. Mandi adores children and when there is a cute child running around, she is like a kitten chasing a bit of yarn and gets completely engrossed. We want to make sure that you have had your shots done before you introduce adorable moving objects into Mandi's field of vision.

BEFORE SHOOT GROOMING

It's all about the details. Your photos will look all the more sumptuous if you have had a chance to attend to the details. Such as:

Hair:

- Touch up roots
- Wash your hair either the morning of the shoot or the night before (we can dirty clean hair if we need to but we can't clean dirty hair)

Manicure and Pedicure – Unless you are going for a grunge look it is best paint those tootsies and fingernails before your big day.

Brows/stash/ wiskies - Just get those threaded or waxed if you have hairs popping up in places you would prefer they didn't because that is the one thing we can't sort here.

Waxing / shaving - Obviously if a boudoir or a nude is what you are after, this is a good thing to have sorted a couple of days before the shoot.

Come with no makeup and a moisturized face and lips.





THE SHOOT

Once your makeup has been completed then it is time to start to play .

Mandi will take time in the beginning of the shoot to show you how to pose in the most flattering way to suit your unique body shape.

She works just as easily with a size 22 muse as a size 2. It is all a matter of highlighting strengths and finding that beautiful feminine shape.

The shoot itself usually lasts between 1 to 1.5 hours and will involve several changes of clothes and freshening of hair and makeup.

The safest thing is to budget half a day of your time. Some sessions take 3 hours some take 6 just give yourself plenty of room around the shoot.

Even people who hate having their photos taken quickly relax when they start to see the results in the image preview screen on the back of Mandi's camera.

ORDERING SESSION

Your ordering session is a very simple step. We go through the images that we shot and pick a curated collection to show you of our favourites. We get you a nice cup of coffee or tea and then play a slide show of your images. When that finishes playing, we teach you how to use the selection software and leave you to pick your favourites. Most people tend to have quite a large number of favourites after the first cut, so we are there to help you to thin down the images to the package you would like to get. Mandi will guide you if you want help but your preferences are what are most important.

If you can bring photographs of your walls you want them hung on and measurements we can show you exactly what they will look like in your home.

It is really simple. No pressure...very hands off...but available if you need us. Because we want you to be 100% thrilled with everything that you hang on your wall.

Our pricelist is available to look at at anytime on our website.

Most people tend to get a Mojobox as this has a low resolution disc with all of the images on it and a beautiful acid-free display box and collection of printed images.

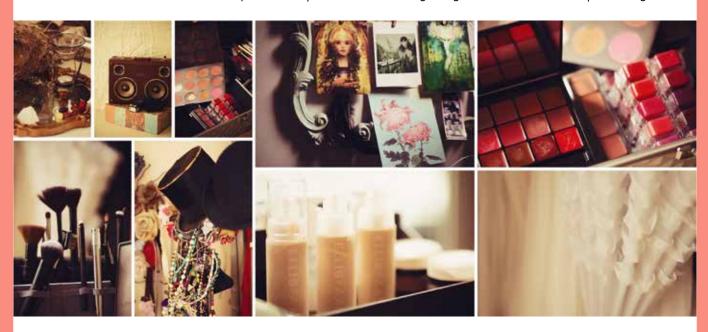
You will receive a bonus image if you pay in full on the day of the ordering session, this applies to packages only. We have EFTPOS and Credit Card facilities, payment plans are available as well.

Your images will be ready aproximately 6 weeks from when the images are paid in full. Images can be collected from the studio in Te Marua, Sadal and Co on the Terrace in Wellington.





The Shoot can be done at our Private, rural, Stunningly beautiful Boho Shabby Chic Photographic Studio in Te Marua or we can do the shoot on location at your home (please contact us regarding conditions around this part though).



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"I just wanted to thank you so much for my photo shoot. That night I could not get to sleep. I felt a different level of confidence and a sense of empowerment. It was very unexpected and something I really needed at this stage in my life. Doing this was a very personal thing for me so thank you for giving me a gift that no one else has or could." xo Lea

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