



Workshop on Nature Photography by Cristina Preduca

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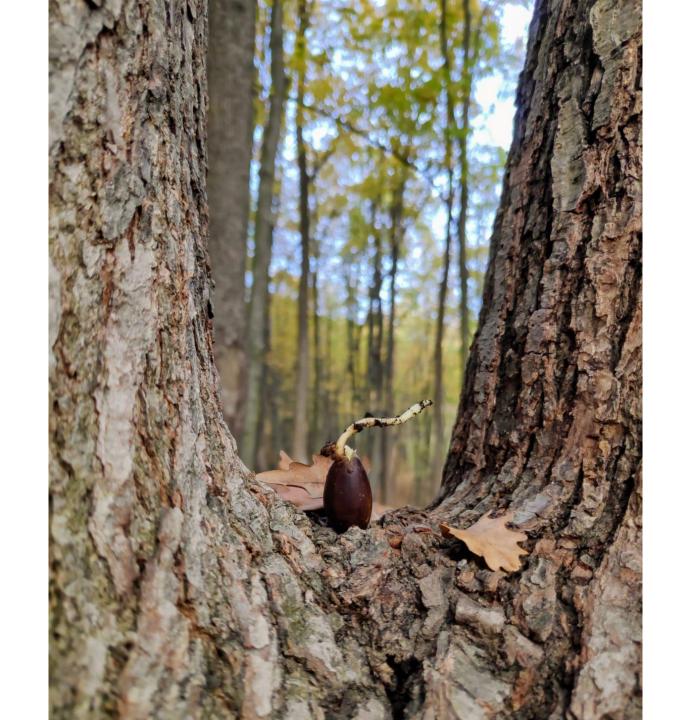
How to take a good photo in nature?

Follow these 10 TIPS and you'll always be ready

to capture stunning, unexpected outdoor moments that might inspire someone to realize that nature is beautiful, essential, and worth fighting to preserve.

Tip #1: FOCUS ON THE SUBJECT

The subject of the photo needs to be separated from the background. Make sure there is a distance between the subject and the backgound. This way the background will look blurry.



Tip #2: MACRO-PHOTOGRAPHY

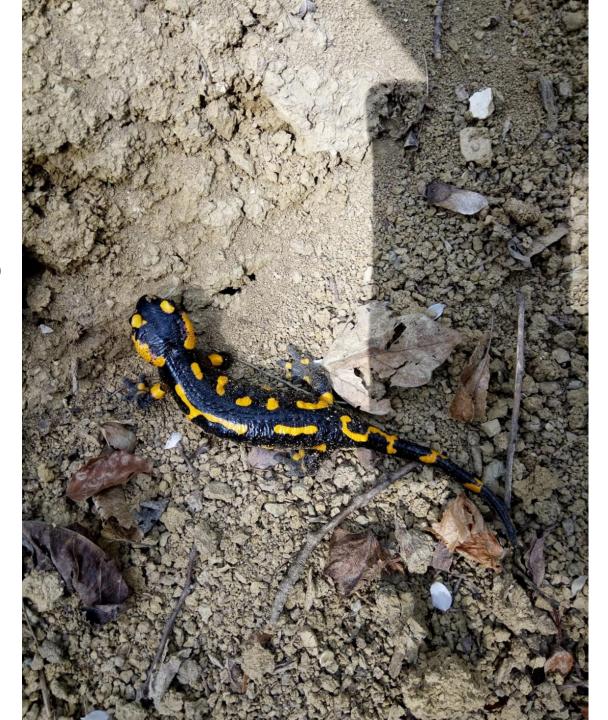




Things are different when you get closer. This photo were done with super macro funciton. But you can also get very close and zoom in to produce amazing images.

Tip #3: ONLY NATURE

In a nature photo everything has to be natural. If you photograph a bird on a power line or a spider on a house, these photos are not so powerful as these creatures in their natural habitat.



Tip #4: LIGHT IS IMPORTANT

Nature photos will look great in the morning or evening light, the golden hours in particular. The golden hours are one hour after sunrise and one hour before sunset. The light at this hours is soft, warm and there are no sharp shadows.



Tip #5: CONSIDER HEIGHT

Shoot your subject from eye level for a more inviting shot. For a commanding feel, trying shooting from a bit lower.



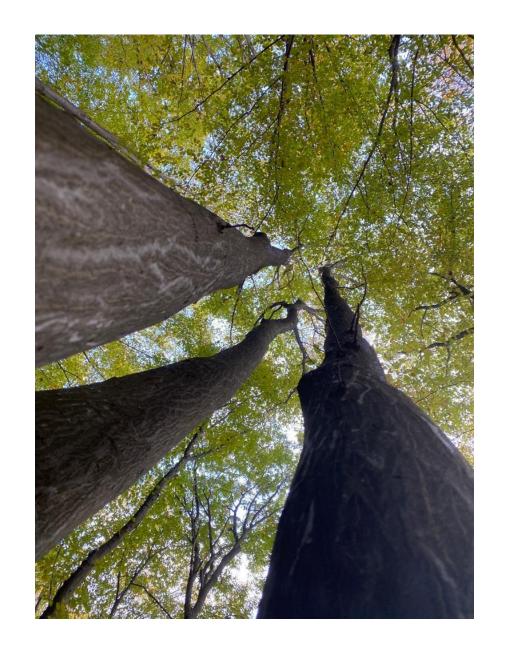


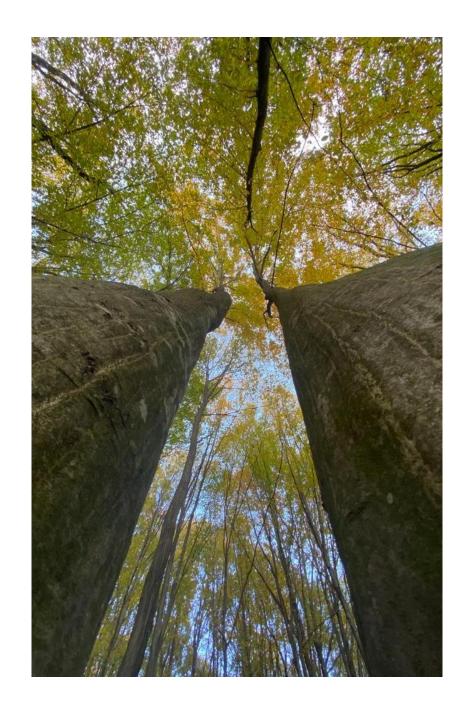


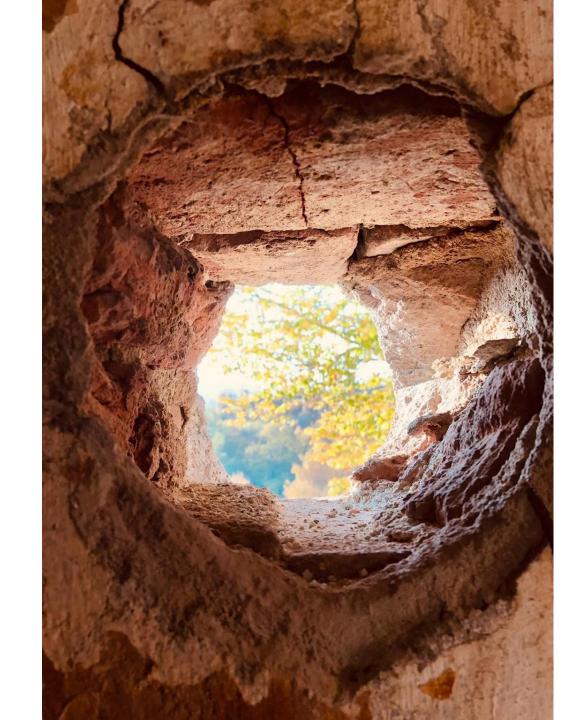
Tip #6: FRESH PERSPECTIVES

Using your own creativity is one of the best wildlife photography tips for beginners.

Change the angles, look for new perspectives and try out new things.



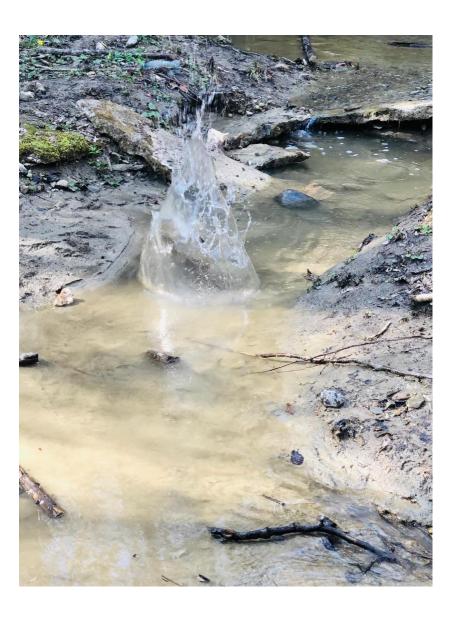




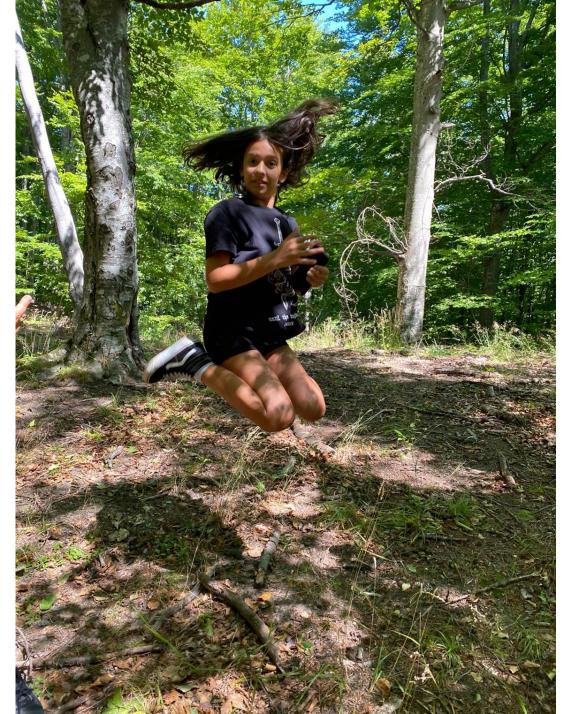
Tip #7: TAKE A LARGE NUMBER OF SHOTS



You rarely get the shot you want on the first try, especially when your subject is alive and moving. Shoot a rapid series so you can go back later and pick out the best.



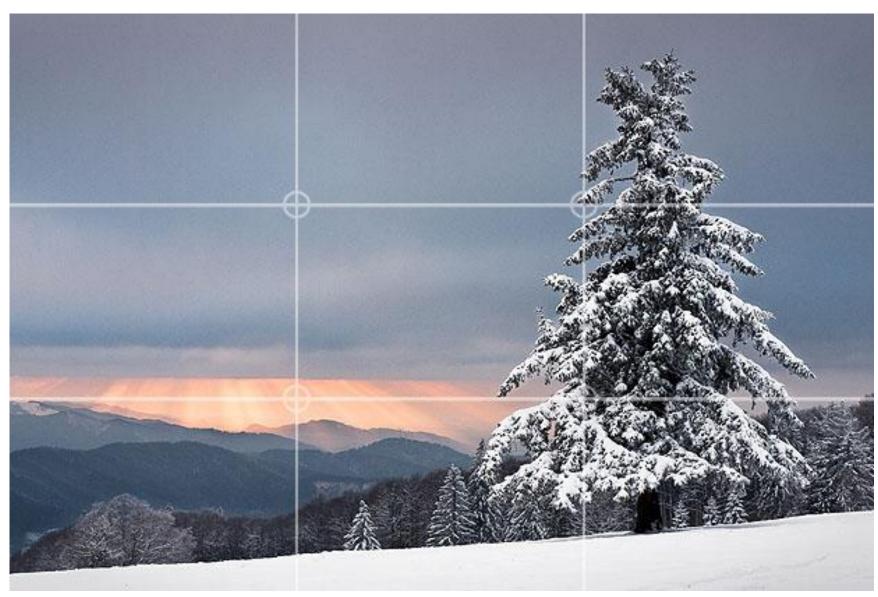


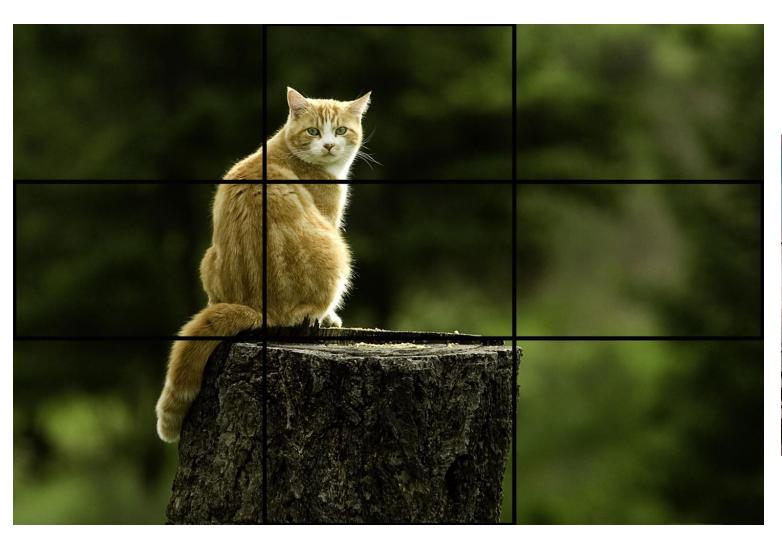


Tip #8: CONSIDER COMPOSITION

The placement of your subject within the frame can have a dramatic effect on the look and feel of your photo.

For horizontally composed photos, follow the "rule of thirds." Imagine that your photo is divided, tic-tac-toe style, into 9 equal parts. Place your subject and other points of interest at the points where these dividing lines intersect, and your horizon on one of the two horizontal axes.





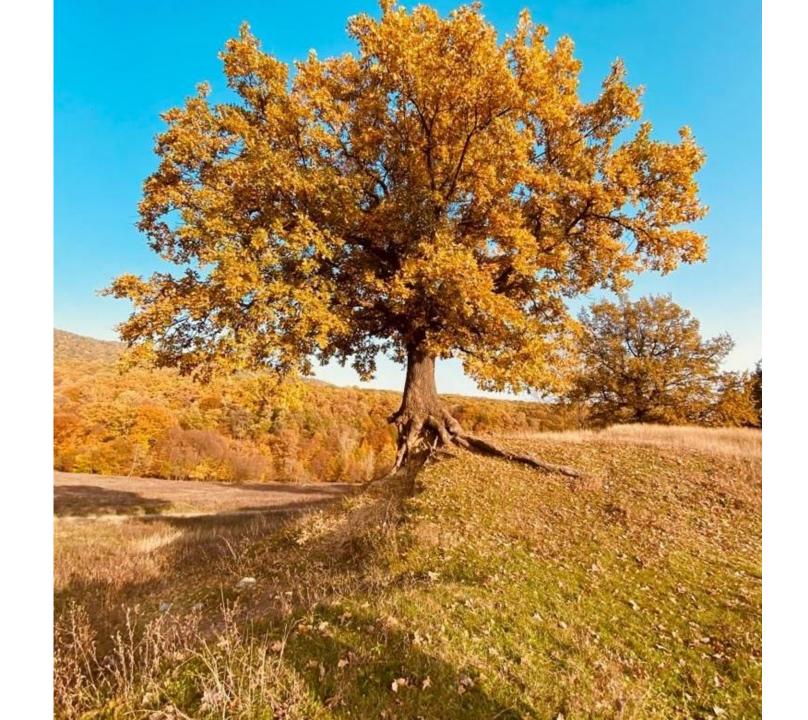


When shooting a square photo, disregard the rule of thirds and try centering your subject or main point of interest. Centering sometimes works in shots that display a high degree of symmetry, too.



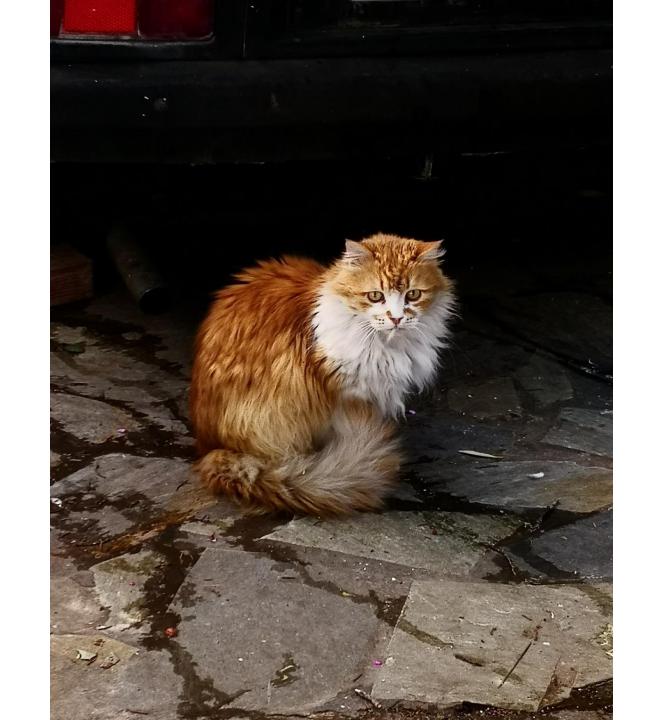
Tip #9: EDIT

You can try playing with the editting functions of your phone or tablet.
The result might be spectacular!



Tip #10: CAPTURE THE MOMENT

Take advantage of surprizing encounters to make memorable photos!



Practical Workshop:

STEP 1: Go outdoors and let nature inspire you!

STEP 2: Take as many photos as you feel like. Keep in mind the tips presented today.

STEP 3: Send your best photos to your teacher.