How I Take Cat Photos, like the one on next page that Aren't Blurry!











Step 1:

Have your Camera or Phone on Hand, Turned On & Ready To Go!!

You don't want to be scrambling at the last minute to find your camera.

Step 1 (continued):

Then find your subject! In this case, it's going to be a cat.
Once you find the cat, be still and quiet! You don't want to scare it away with loud noises. If the cat is just relaxing or sunbathing, this is the perfect time to capture a photo of it. It will be happy and probably not distracted.

Step 2:

Sometimes I use a tripod when taking photos of pets. Or use manual mode on a digital camera. But I find good results when I'm using the sports mode on my Canon digital camera.

Step 3:

I try to take photos of cats when they are looking up or straight at me because I find it more visually appealing. It goes back to the spiritual side of my photography philosophy. (If you're curious to read more on this, visit my website: tomikokhphotography.com & find the philosophy page)

Step 4:

To get the cats attention so you can take the photos, I like to get down at their level. If they're moving, I say "kitty, kitty" or use my other hand to snap a bit. Sometimes I will call them by their name too. I usually don't have treats or toys handy and that doesn't always work for me.

Step 5:

The background that you choose is important because you don't want it to be distracting. I like to keep it simple by just using the background that I already have. If the cat is sitting on a sofa, I might remove some of the pillows so they're not in the background.

Step 6:

Time to take the photos! I use sports mode and get as close as I can to the cat. Sometimes I will pet the cat, if they let me. Using the sports mode setting, it allows you to take multiple photos at one time. And you can blurr parts of the cat a bit, like their tail.