Social Media

THE ULTIMATE PHOTOGRAPHER'S GUIDE











Photography and social media: they go together like peanut butter and jelly, or cheese and carbs! Your social media channels — particularly Instagram — are the perfect online portfolio for showcasing your incredible work. In fact, when clients and brands are looking to hire a photographer or content creator, Instagram is often the first place they check out. Even before your website.

But, as important as marketing on social media is, chances are, you became a photographer because you love being out in the world and getting creative. NOT because you wanted to spend all your time staring at the screen of your phone, responding to comments or fussing about your follower count!

The good news is, it's possible to grow your social media presence without sacrificing your time, sanity and creativity. With the right tools and strategies up your sleeve, you can turn your photos into a powerhouse online portfolio that almost grows without you!



READ ON FOR PLANN'S TOP TIPS FOR GROWING YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWING AS A PHOTOGRAPHER, THE EASY WAY!





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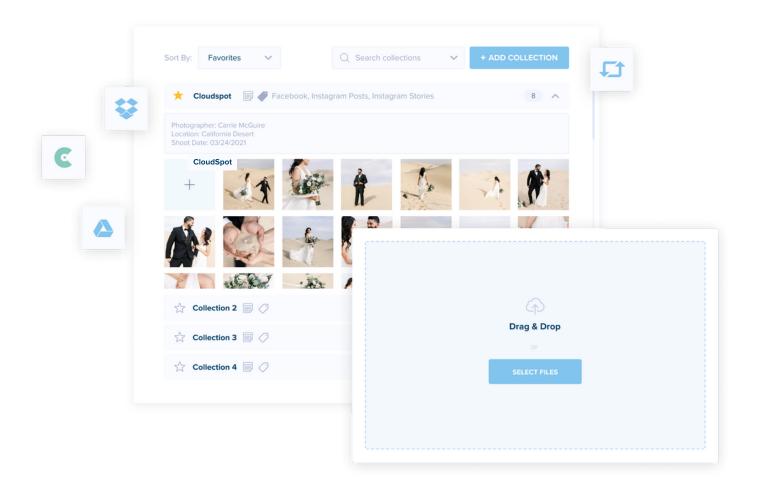
HAVE YOU TRIED ALL THESE STRATEGIES?



AUTOMATE YOUR IMPORTS import

There's nothing more frustrating than having to export your image to your desktop or download it on your phone just to post on social media manually. Not only is it time-consuming, but it clogs up your desktop and phone with thousands of megabytes. Thankfully, there are far more streamlined ways to getting your images onto your feed now!

With Plann's media tool, you can sync up your CloudSpot account for easy image importing into Plann's social media scheduler. What this means is all of your mega-sized images can live in your cloud-based CloudSpot account, and you can pick and choose from them as you please. No more bloated computer and phone begging you to clear some storage and disk space!





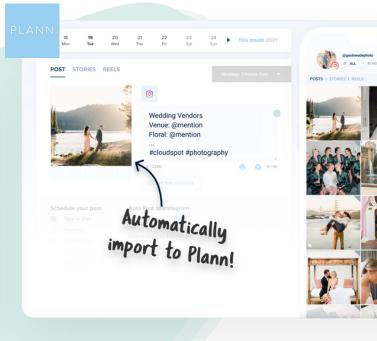
Even more conveniently, when you use CloudSpot's Captions feature on your images, you can create and save social media captions for easy social media posting! Craft your engaging copy, credit vendors, type out hashtags, and organize all of your social media posts all in the same place you already manage your photos! Your @mentions, #hashtags, vendor lists, captions, and emojis will all export from CloudSpot with your image straight into Plann's social media scheduling tool! The hassle from posting to Instagram and

No more losing track of collaborators and partners — you can save the details you need for later so that when it comes to publishing your content on socials you can rest easy knowing that you haven't forgotten to credit a supplier!

Voila. Gamechanger!

Facebook are a thing of the past!



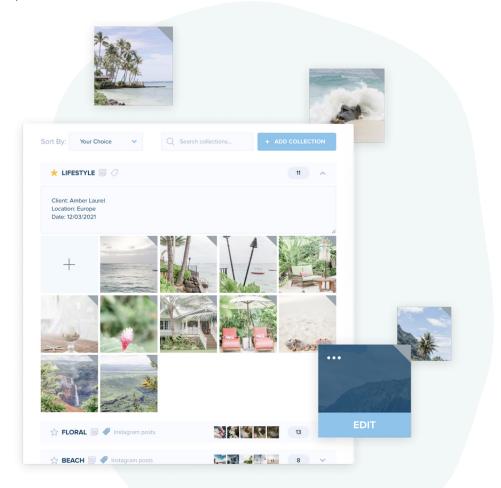






Not only can we link up with your cloud-based software, but we can also BE your cloud. Our collections tool is one of our most popular features with photographers, thanks to their ability to neatly organize your images into themed folders!

So, if you're a wedding photographer, you might have one collection for BTS moments, another for locations, dresses and finer details and so forth. Import the relevant images from your CloudSpot, Dropbox, Google Drive, Google Photos or just from your desktop, and you'll always have them to choose from to complement each of your content pillars (more on that next!)

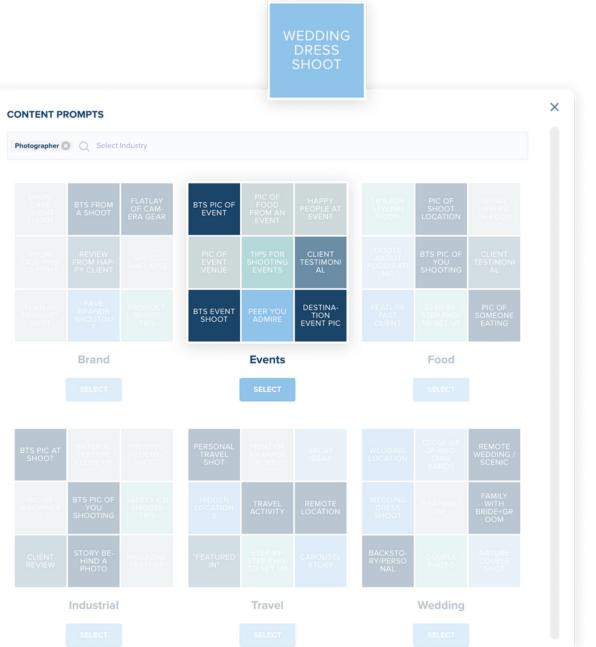


STREAMLINE YOUR STRATEGY Strategy

Ever struggle with knowing what to post on social media? You're not alone! This is the number one struggle of many creatives, business owners and even marketers. That's why we built a tool in the Plann app that literally creates your social media strategy for you. This helps ensure you're posting a well-balanced mix of content that's going to engage, educate and entertain your audience.

Living inside the 'strategy' tab in Plann, our content prompts include nine content themes based specifically on your industry. By adding this to your grid, all you need to do is fill in the blanks with your images (already saved in collections), captions and hashtags. This will shave so much time off your content creation process!

And, the best part is, we have loads of pre-designed content prompts for our CloudSpot users! Simply type 'photographers' into content prompts and it will pull up the different types, from brand and portrait to food and event. We've got it all covered!



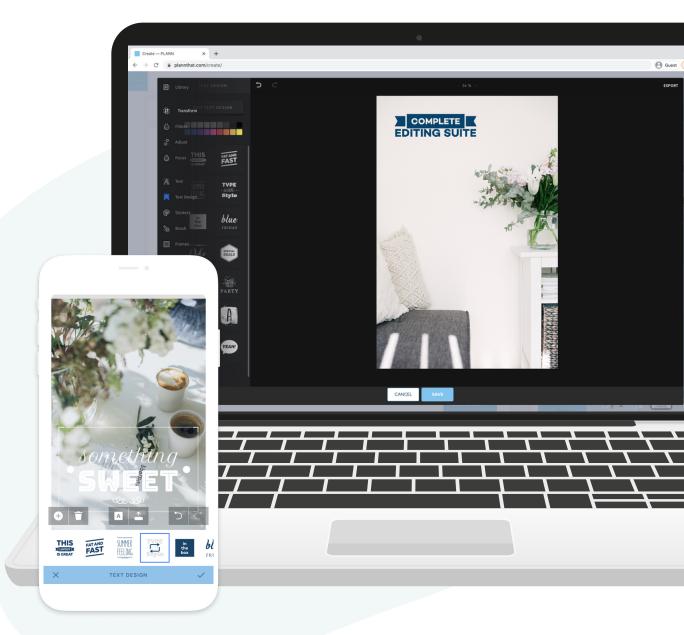




CEDIT THE EASY WAY

As a photographer, you know that great editing can quickly take an image from 'good' to 'oh my GOODNESS, that belongs in an art gallery.' But, you don't necessarily have to use complex, professional editing tools every time to get a great result. Sometimes, you just want to make a few minor corrections and get the photo up! That's where Plann's simple, in-built editing tools come in.

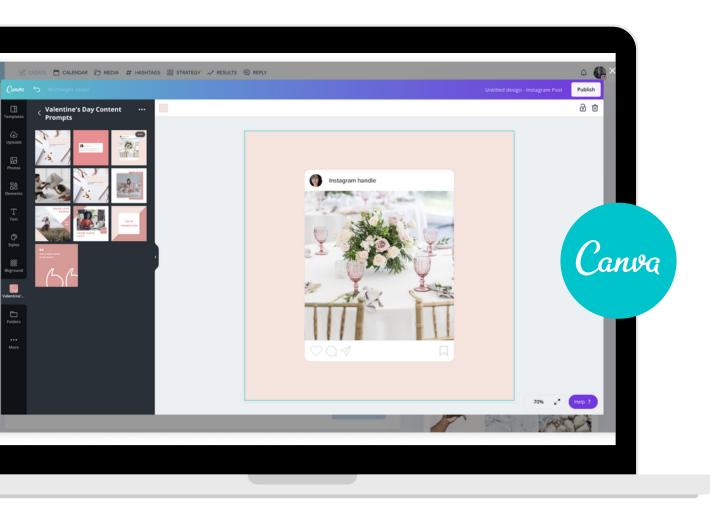
With your post selected, click on the little magic wand in Plann to bring up our editing menu. Here, you can adjust, crop and transform your image to your heart's content. You can also adjust the focal points of your images and use our brush tool to fix up any imperfections. Similar to presets, there's also a menu of filters you can use to quickly give your images a certain aesthetic, whether it's a vintage feel or smooth, crisp look.



ELEVATE YOUR IMAGES image

They say a photo can speak 1000 words, and that's certainly true. But, you don't always have to let them do all the talking! By using simple design tools, you can transform your amazing images into eye-catching graphics or promotional materials. And the good news is, you don't have to download any expensive tools to do this. We have a couple of handy tools inside Plann to help you quickly whip up graphics on the go!

Inside our editing menu, our text editor tool allows you to instantly overlay professionally-designed typography onto your images. Available in an array of different fonts, colors and backgrounds, there's something for every occasion — whether it's announcing a flash sale on prints, or sharing some of your fave pics from a shoot.



You can also kick it up a notch with our handy integration with Canva! From Instagram stories to collages to show off your favorite snaps, they have thousands of beautiful templates in the perfect dimensions for every social platform. All you need to do is add your own images, customize with your own brand colors and you're ready to schedule it straight to your feed.



KICKSTART YOUR CAPTIONS captions



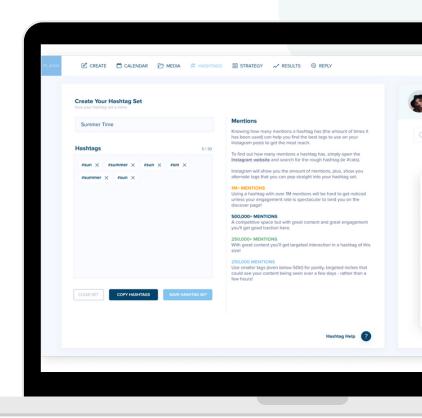
CLICK ME FOR A FREE PHOTOGRAPHY CALENDAR WITH PROMPTS FOR YOUR SOCIALS!

PS. When you're putting together your captions, don't forget your hashtags! These are what's going to get your epic content in front of people who aren't already following you. Thankfully, you don't have to come up with these every time you post. With our hashtag collections, you can save themed sets of these (for hashtaas example, about creativity or nature), then pick and choose when you need them.

Need some inspo? Check out some of the <u>top hashtags for photographers.</u>

As a photographer, beautiful imagery likely comes naturally to you. But, the caption that accompanies it is just as important! You can use this as an opportunity to tell a story, drawing them into the journey behind the image. Or, you share a little more about the person behind the lens, or share handy tips for other budding photographers. The options are endless!

But, if you find yourself lost for words when you sit down to write a caption, we've just got just the thing for you. We've created this content calendar specifically for photographers. Inside, you'll find 30 days of content prompts to ignite your inspiration and get those words flowing. Consider it your secret weapon against writer's block!

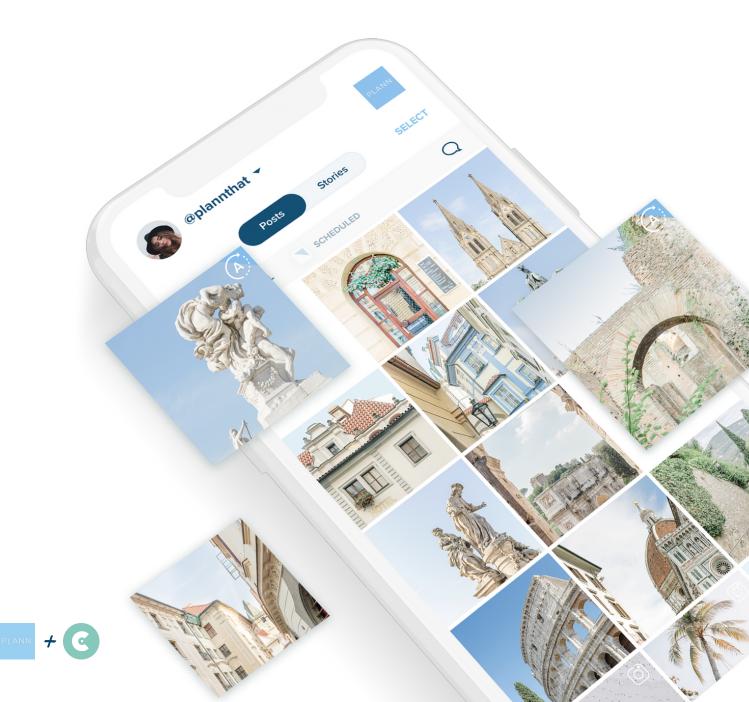




PUT YOUR SOCIALS ON AUTOPILOT on autopilot

Now, you have all the elements for your supercharged Instagram feed — the strategy, the beautiful images, the gorgeous graphics the clever captions and the targeted hashtags — it's time to put it all together, set it and forget it! Plann has tools for putting your social media content on autopilot, so you can get back to doing what you actually love — shooting and creating!

With our recently launched auto posting feature, you can now schedule your Instagram posts and have them automatically go up without you. Perfect for those times when you're out shooting all day, but still want to show up on socials. We also have auto posting for Facebook and LinkedIn, if you want to diversity your content efforts. Plus, you can use our 'recreate' tool you instantly recreate your Instagram content across Facebook and LinkedIn (or vice versa) to reshare.



Ready. TO START BUILDING YOUR OWN INSTAGRAM PORTFOLIO

If you're a photographer looking to level-up and streamline your social media efforts, <u>log into CloudSpot</u> or start your free trail today.

At last, the best platform for pro photographers to manage and share their photos is integrated with the best tool for automating and promoting their work.

