

LESSON

OUTLINE



Explore how patterns, texture & details create visually engaging images



Understand how these elements add depth and interest to photos



Identify and capture patterns, texture and details in photography

Where Do We Find Them?

Patterns, Texture and Details can be found in both the man-made world and the natural world. They are all around us and often we miss them or just see them so often that they become invisible.



Why are Patterns, Textures and Details Important?

- They add visual interest and depth to images.
- They make images more engaging and dynamic.
- They enhance storytelling in an image or series of images.
- It can make viewing a photo into a visual guessing game.



Pattern

Utilizes elements that are repeated. The repetition of lines, shapes, tones or color can create interesting images.

- Create a sense of rhythm and repetition.
- Lead the viewer's eye through the image.
- Make photos more visually satisfying and cohesive.



Texture

The visual quality of the surface of an object, revealed through variances in shape, tone and color depth.

- Evoke a sense of touch.
- Allow viewers to imagine how a surface feels.
- adds a layer of sensory experience.



Details

Tell the story of a situation by focusing on a relatively small portion of it.

- Capture small elements that deepen the narrative.
- Emphasize key textures, patterns, or features.
- Close-ups foster a personal, immersive connection.



Depth and Dimension

Patterns and textures can add depth and dimension to a photograph, making flat images appear more three-dimensional.



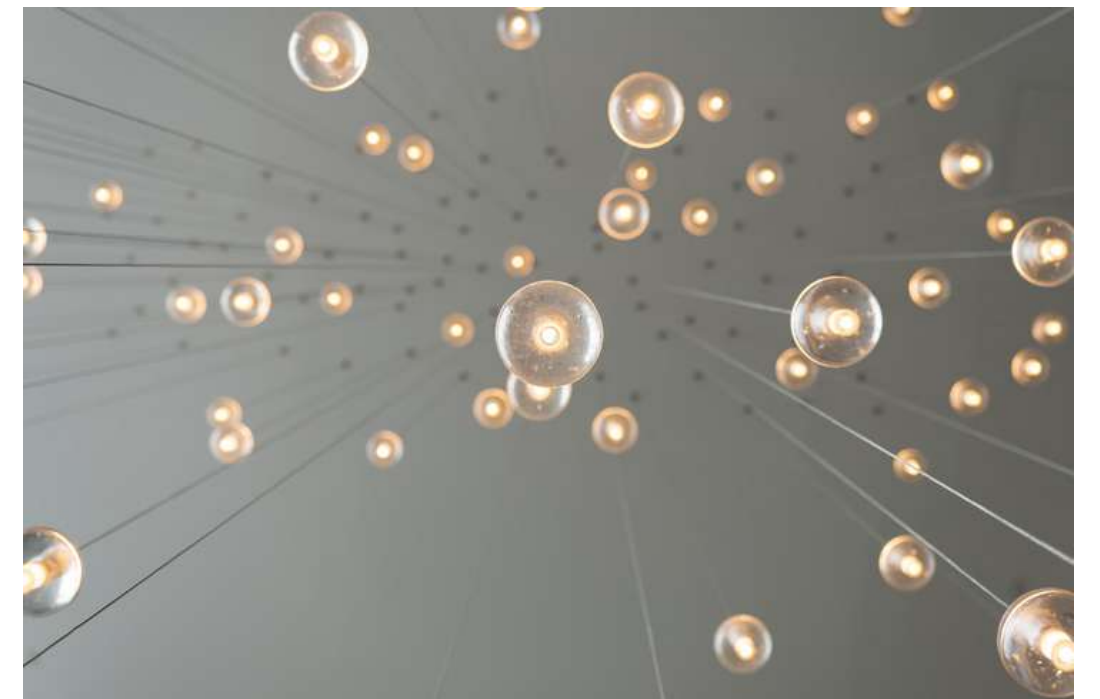
Emotional Impact

Patterns, textures, and details can set a mood—calmness through smooth patterns, ruggedness through rough textures, or intimacy through close-up details.



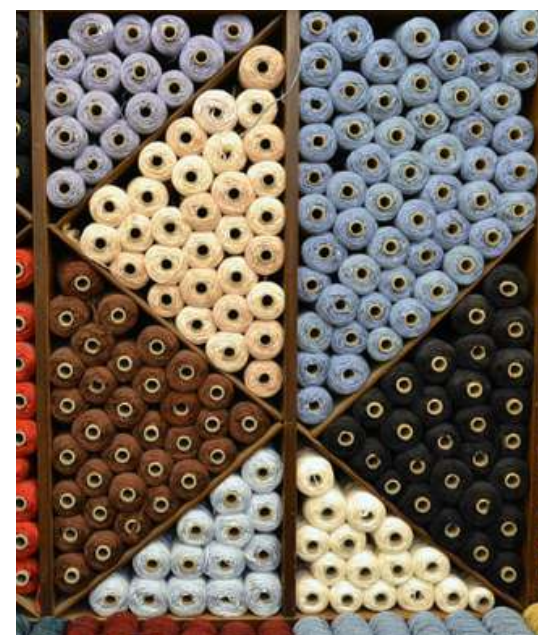
Creative Expression

Patterns, texture and details offer photographers creative opportunities to experiment with composition, lighting, and focus, enhancing the artistic quality of their work.



Why should we consider patterns, texture and details in photography?

- Repeating elements or shapes can create a sense of rhythm or harmony. They draw the viewer in and create a more dynamic visual experience.
- The visual quality, or texture of a surface of an object, adds a tactile element to photos. It creates depth and invokes emotion in the viewer.
- Details enhance storytelling, reveal subtle beauty, and evoke specific emotions, deepening the viewer's connection to the subject.



How to Shoot Pattern, Texture & Detail

Get in Close



Take a closer look at the every day objects around you. Fill up your entire frame and stretch yourself to see more, use your other senses to find a new perspective.

Look For Color and Contrast



Our eyes are drawn to color and contrast. Use them to define and highlight patterns and textures, making your images more captivating.

Use More Than One



Highlight different patterns and textures by photographing several together, stacking them to create contrast.