



# Beautiful Lockdown

*Young photographer, Myles, uses his newfound skills to capture the beauty of the world around him...*

I started my new hobby back in January 2020 when I was visiting my grandparents for Christmas and New Year. My Grandfather owns a camera so I started practising taking photos and editing them with his gear. When I returned home from my visit, my grandparents let me borrow their small point and shoot camera until I could visit them again to return it (that plan obviously didn't work out because of coronavirus).

In February, my dad and I began searching Ebay for cameras and after a few weeks, my dad won a bid for a used Canon 4000d (the seller noted that it was an unwanted Christmas present).

The first photos I ever took were of my cats and various other things around my house because it was a few days until I could get outside with my new artistic tool. The first time I ever left the house with my camera was when I was going to golf because I wanted to film myself in the driving range so that I could see what I needed to improve on. Later on in the month, I started taking photos of plants around my garden and I started watching tutorials on the different settings such as aperture, shutter speed and ISO. Once I had a decent understanding of the basics, I started experimenting with them and going on walks to take photos along the way.



*One of my most recent photos above.*

A photograph doesn't necessarily have to be taken on a digital camera or even a camera at all, they can be captured in multiple formats which is what makes photography such a perfect form of art; anyone can do photography. Photographs can be taken in digital format or film format. Photography doesn't just have to be exclusively still photos either, they can be videos too.

I think this article details that skill doesn't necessarily matter either because I have a little over a year of experience and the photo up above is an example of what a beginner with a little experience can produce. I think photography is so important in today's world because it is used all over the world in newspapers, magazines, movies and other types of media. If photography didn't exist (if cameras didn't exist) I think the world we live in would be very different because photography is such a huge industry now which is heavily used and needed in many places.

More of my photo examples:



