

SIMPLE 10 STEPS PHOTOSHOP WORKFLOW

1. Open the original file, and save as a **Photoshop PSD** file. Also, make sure the **Colour Profile** is set to **Adobe RGB (1998)** and that the **Resolution** is set to **300ppi**.
2. Make sure the horizon is straight using the **Measure Tool**, and then if necessary correct the verticals using **Transform > Distort** – the image layer must be unlocked or copied for the transform to work. Now **Crop** the image.
3. Clean up the image to remove any blemishes using the **Clone Stamp** and/or **Healing Brush** tools. Carry out any major work on a new layer.
4. Create a **Levels Adjustment Layer** and set the Levels for the shadows, highlights and mid-tones. Go back into Levels and use the **Grey Point Dropper** to set the colour balance.
5. Using a **Curves Adjustment Layer** set an “S” curve to adjust the contrast.
6. Adjust the colour saturation using a **Hue / Saturation Adjustment Layer**.
7. Dodge and burn using the **Dodge** and **Burn** tools.
8. Sharpen the image using **Unsharp Mask**.
9. Finish off the image by adding a border.
10. And finally, resave the image keeping all the layers intact.

