

A FEW TIPS TO FILMING WITH SMART PHONES

EQUIPMENT

- Stabilization: Use a tripod or gimbal for steady shots
- External microphone for better audio quality
- Lens attachments for wider/closer shots (optional)
- Basic LED light panel for low-light situations
- A power bank for extended shooting

TECHNICAL SETUP

- Film horizontally (landscape mode)
- Lock exposure and focus before shooting
- Use "Do Not Disturb" mode to avoid interruptions
- Clean your phone's lens regularly
- Film in 4K if storage allows
- Use the back camera (it's usually better quality)

BASIC TECHNIQUES

- 1. Keep shots steady and smooth
- 2. Follow the rule of thirds for composition
- 3. Shoot from multiple angles
- 4. Get establishing shots first
- 5. Film extra footage for editing flexibility
- 6. Keep shots between 5-10 seconds minimum

SOUND TIPS

- Record in quiet locations when possible
- Get close to your subject for better audio
- Record ambient sound separately
- Consider recording dialogue separately with a second phone

LIGHTING

- Use natural light when possible
- Avoid shooting directly into bright light
- Keep light sources in front or to the side of subjects
- Avoid mixed lighting (e.g., sunlight and artificial)