

Curating a portfolio of exceptional drone shots could be a fantastic way to showcase your expertise and artistry in the field. In order for your customers to understand the versatility and power of a the drone's camera, you'll need to show your customers a decent and diverse set of drone shots. Below is a comprehensive list of drone shots you might consider incorporating into your portfolio. *Your goal is to build a Google or Microsoft drive folder with the following shots so that you have something to show your customers.* 

# **Recommended Drone Portfolio Shots**

## **Landscape & Scenery**

- 1. Bird's-Eye View: Capture an area from directly above, showcasing the landscape's patterns and textures. This shot can be particularly striking in diverse ecosystems or urban grids.
- 2. Horizon Panorama: Stitch together multiple shots to create a panoramic view of a stunning horizon, be it a city skyline, mountain range, or coastline.
- 3. Sunrise/Sunset: Take advantage of the golden hour to capture warm tones and elongated shadows.
- 4. Water Reflections: Use a calm lake or river to capture reflections of landmarks or natural features.
- 5. Seasonal Changes: Document the same location in various seasons to show the transformation of the landscape.

#### **Action & Adventure**

- 6. Chase Sequence: Follow a moving subject, such as a car or a cyclist, from behind or the side.
- 7. Reveal Shot: Start close to a subject and then move the drone upwards or backwards to reveal the surrounding landscape.



- 8. Top-Down Activity: Capture activities like kayaking, hiking, or sports from a top-down perspective.
- 9. Wildlife in Motion: Document animals in their natural habitat, taking care to maintain a respectful distance.
- 10. Water Sports: Capture surfers, sailboats, or jet skis from an aerial perspective for dynamic shots.

### **Urban & Architectural**

- 11. Skyscraper Shots: Capture tall buildings from various angles, showing off their scale and the intricacy of their design.
- 12. Historical Landmarks: Document landmarks from angles not usually seen in standard tourist photos.
- 13. Traffic Patterns: Capture the ebb and flow of traffic in a busy city to show its rhythms and routines.
- 14. Public Events: Document large gatherings, parades, or festivals from above to capture the scale and energy of the event.
- 15. Construction Timelapse: Show the progression of a construction project over time, which can be particularly impactful for stakeholders.

# **Experimental & Artistic**

16. Shadow Play: Use the natural or artificial light to create interesting shadows and shapes.



- 17. Symmetry and Patterns: Look for natural or man-made patterns that can be emphasized from an aerial view.
- 18. Abstract Landscapes: Use parts of the landscape to create abstract shapes and forms.
- 19. Drone Light Painting: Use long exposure settings and LED lights to create light trails in the night sky.
- 20. Interactive Elements: Incorporate people or subjects interacting with the drone, such as looking up, waving, or forming shapes.

This list is quite extensive, but given your dedication to becoming an awesome drone videographer, I believe a well-rounded portfolio could serve you exceedingly well.

Always remember, your goal is to tell a story through the eye of a camera. Your camera is your artistic and functional tool to provide your customers with beauty or information they need. Theres many different styles of capturing that information such as the list above, however this industry is very young. We challenge you to create new maneuvers that will wow your customers!



Above the earth, I take my flight, A drone in day, a ghost at night. With lens in tow, I soar on high, To capture life beneath the sky.

From top-down views to sunsets gold,
In every shot, a story's told.
I dance with clouds, chase after streams,
In quest for shots that fuel your dreams.

I frame the world in angles new,
From towering heights to ocean blue.
Through lens and drone, I find my art,
Capturing life, a world apart.

With every click, I seize the day,
In pixels fine, where beauty lay.
For in each frame, and in each scene,
A moment's caught, forever seen.

Good luck my friends - Robo Joe