

FOCUS ON PHOTOGRAPHY

'Square eyeballs' give new photo angle

Have you ever looked through a photography book or magazine and marveled at the strength and impact of the photographs? Ever been to a photography exhibit and wished you could take similar pictures that would earn you rave reviews?

Chances are the photographers you're admiring are using a very simple technique that I call "looking through square eyeballs."

Our peripheral vision is expansive and we're always looking at a vast world. We tend to see the whole and in so doing, we miss many photographic opportunities that are right in front of us.

But by training yourself to "look through square eyeballs," new and exciting possibilities will open up for you.



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The best way to begin is to use a viewing mask. Cut a "window" about two by three inches out of a piece of cardboard and begin to view things through it. You can also use a discarded

slide mount or simply look through the rectangle formed when you place together the thumbs and forefingers of both hands. You'll frequently see professional photographers use this method to help them view their subjects.

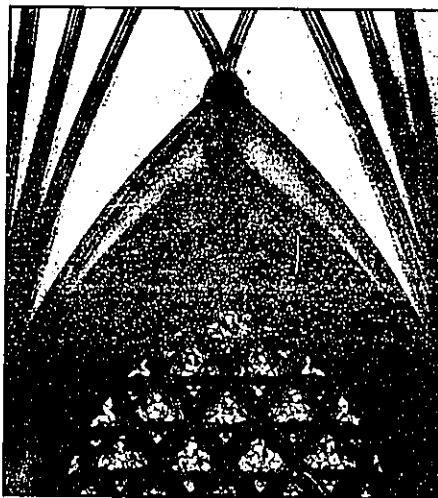
Looking through "square eyeballs" will isolate subject matter from the surroundings. You'll be truly amazed at what you'll see. Even familiar surroundings will offer you photographic possibilities you never knew were there.

You may see, for example, the unusual pattern of brickwork under the window ledge embraced by a sprig of ivy that you won't see as a potential picture because you're always looking at the whole house.

Looking through square eyeballs allowed me to see the beauty and intimacy and striking texture of just a small portion of the dome in the Wells Cathedral in western England. Remember, an intimate photograph such as this can convey the beauty and grandeur of the whole.

No matter if you use a simple point-and-shoot or a more sophisticated camera, getting into the good habit of looking through square eyeballs will open up new and exciting photo opportunities for you.

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Angelic angle:
Looking through "square eyeballs" enabled Monte Nagler to see just a portion of the dome of England's Wells Cathedral. As you can see, the picture has impact and stopping power.

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One of the primary considerations that enters into the planning of a new or remodeled kitchen is storage space. Aside from incorporating a pantry unit and customized storage accessories into the design, added space for storage may be found in the area where the soffit now resides. This is the wallboard box that usually extends from the top of the cabinets to the ceiling. By eliminating the soffit and replacing the conventional 30-inch-tall wall cabinets with 42-inch-tall units, cooks can avail themselves of greater storage capacity. These newly created upper reaches of the cabinetry can be used to store items that are used infrequently. And, the art of reclaiming space need not stop there. Many cabinet manufacturers make use of little-used toad space to offer built-in stepadders, shallow drawers for storing pot lids, and other creative options.

HINT: The storage accessory known as the countertop storage garage provides an efficient and convenient way to make use of wasted countertop corners and store small appliances.

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