

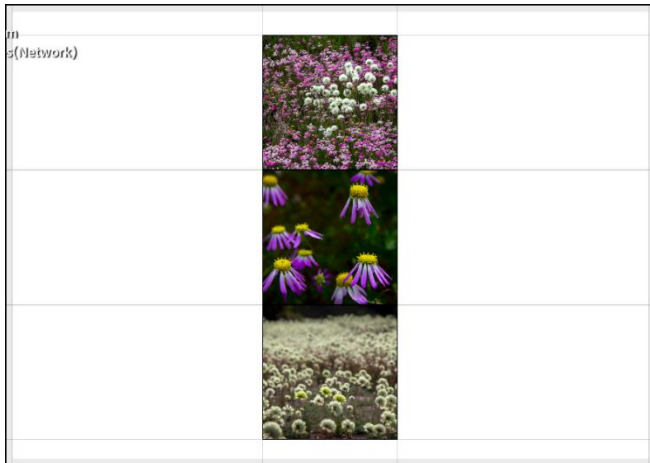
How to make a triptych in Lightroom

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Intro:

This tutorial explains how to create a triptych in **Lightroom Classic** (LrC), as a digital file for projection. It could also be used to create a single print with three images, as an alternative to create and print three separate small images to fit into a triptych frame.

- In **Library** select three images (hold the CTRL button; create a **Collection** first if required);
- Edit in **Develop** as required.
- **Print** (top rhs);
- At the left of the screen: **Template Browser**>Lightroom Templates>Triptych;
- Note that the Triptych template is set to default A4 Landscape;
- The three images should appear, probably on one Landscape sheet, something like this:

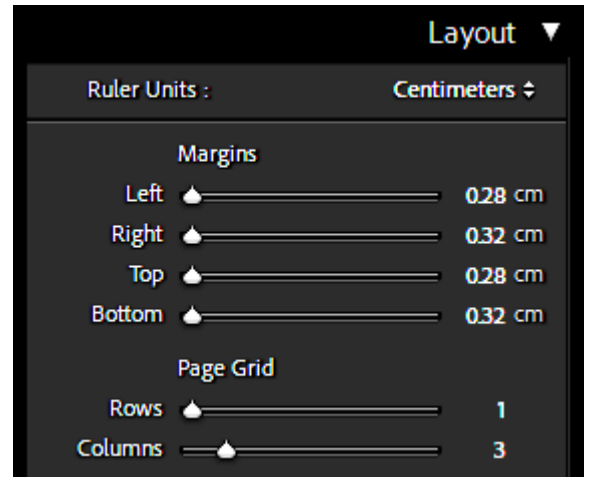
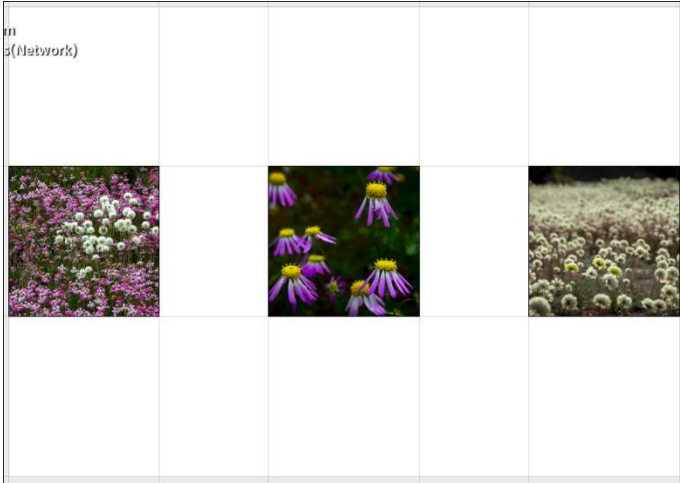


- To continue, go to the right-hand side of the screen, to the various Layout options;
- Firstly, in **Print Job**, set **Print To** to JPEG File;

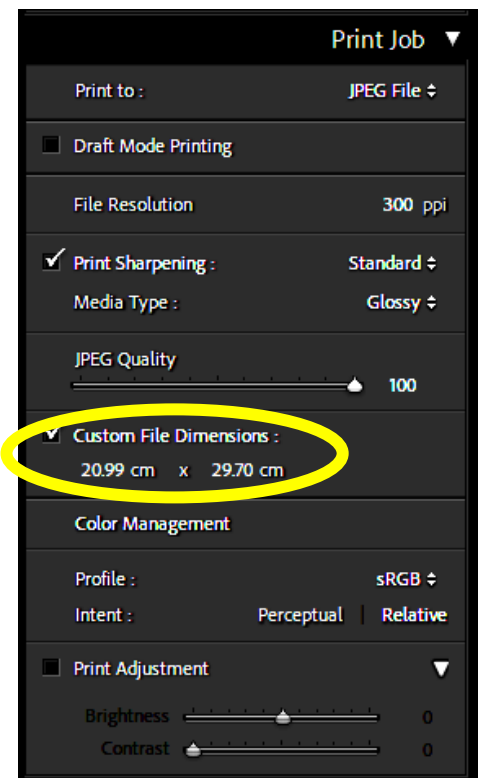
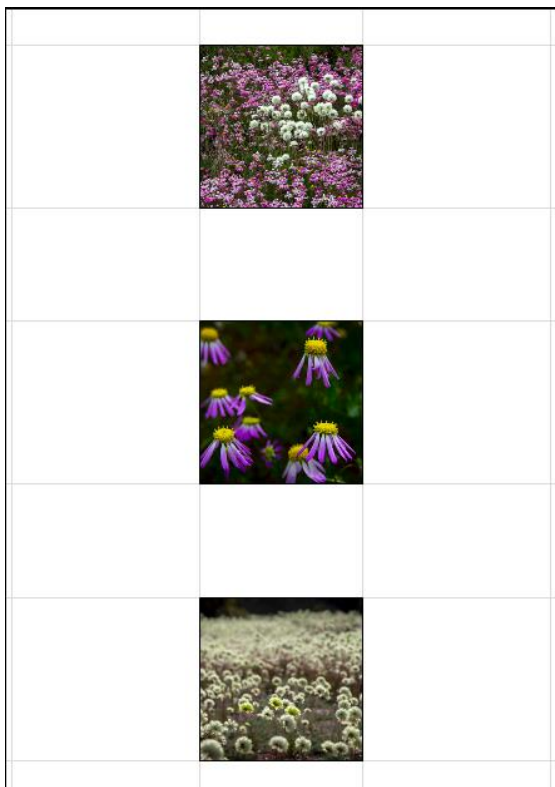


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- If you want to continue in Landscape, go to **Layout**, and set the Rows to 1 and Columns to 3;

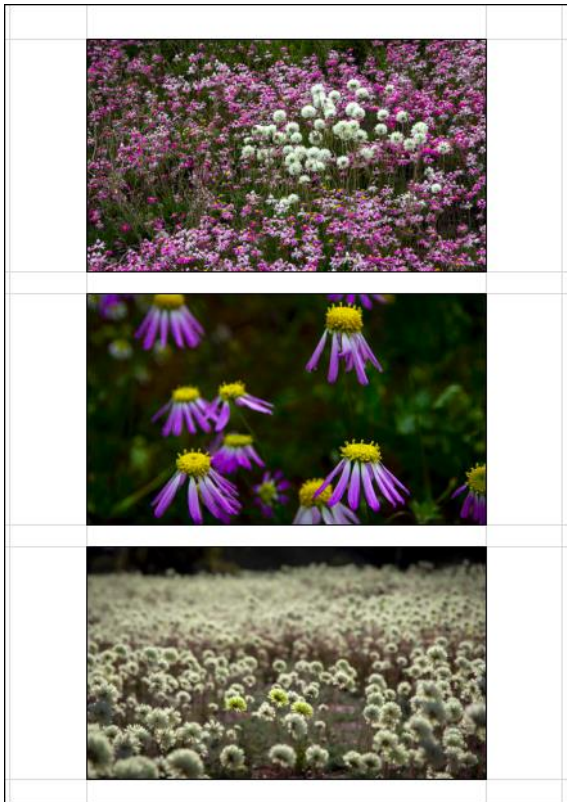
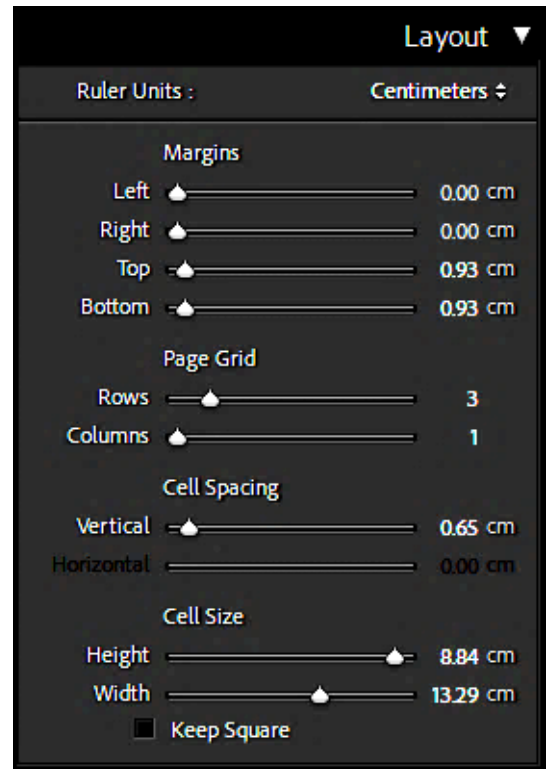


- If instead, you want to have a Portrait format, scroll to the bottom to **Print Job**:
 - in **Print Job**, tick the Custom File Dimensions and swap the dimensions around: 20.99 cm x 29.70 cm (=A4 Portrait);

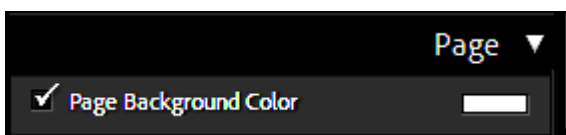


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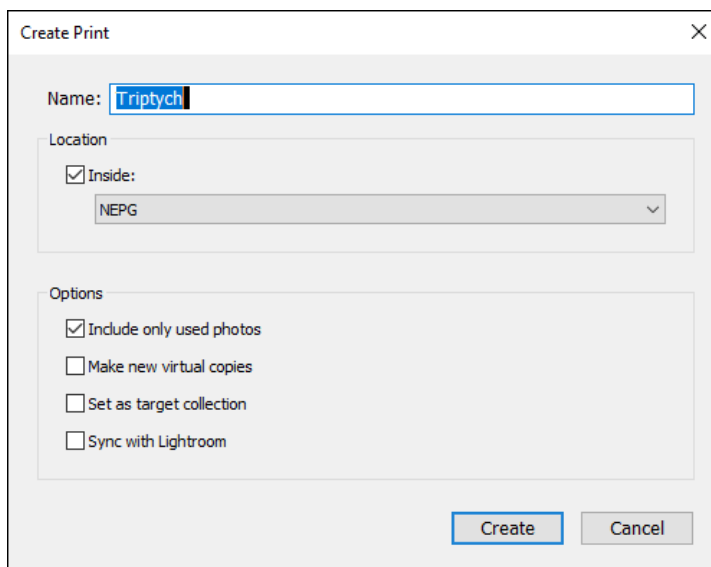
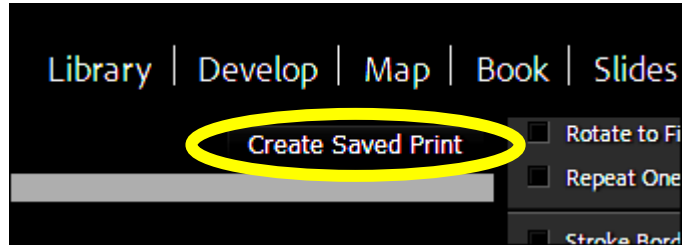
- Then, for both Landscape and Portrait, change the dimensions of the image frames, in **Layout**;
 - switch off **Keep Square**, if and when required;
 - change **Margins**>Left and Right, and Top and Bottom, as required;
 - change **Cell Size**>Height and Width, as required;
 - change **Cell Spacing**>Vertical, as required;



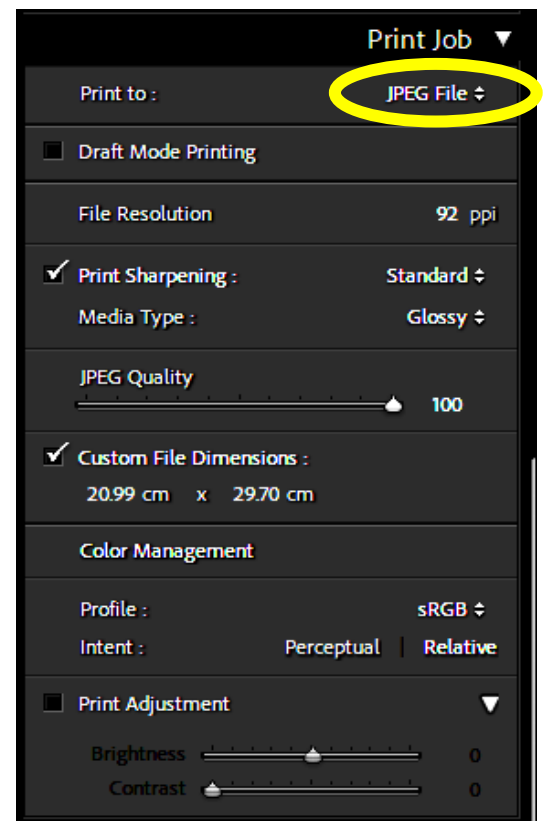
- If required, you can simply move an image within its box with your mouse.
- You can also change the background to a different colour:
 - Go to **Page**>Page Background Color, click on the white box, and select another colour as required;



- If you want to, you can save this setup in your Collections, so that you can go back to it:
 - Click on **Create Saved Print** (top right-hand);
 - Give it a name, and select a Location in your Collections;



- then, to save as a JPEG file, go to **Print Job**:
 - check that **Print To** is set to JPEG File;
 - Landscape: set **File Resolution** to 130;
 - Portrait: set **File Resolution** to 92;
 - **JPEG Quality** to 100;
 - **Profile** to sRGB.
- then: **Print to File** (bottom right): give it a name and store in the required location.
- This should create a digital Landscape or Portrait file with a height just below the NEPG required 1080px.



Note 1: the **File Resolution** settings above only work for the **Custom File Dimensions** for a A4 size JPEG file, meant for NEPG digital projection (20.99 x 29.70, or 29.70 x 20.99).

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Note 2: if you want a rectangular shape different from A4 Portrait or Landscape, the best way is to create and save the jpeg file as outlined above, and then re-import into Lightroom. Then crop as required, and export with the specs as required for the Competition.



Note 3: if you want to have a square shape:

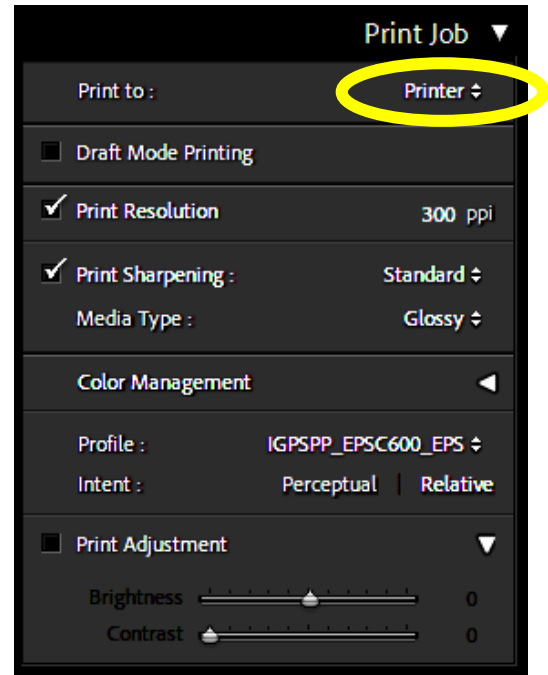
- Go to the **Custom File Dimensions**, and change to 20.99cm x 20.99cm;
- Then, under **Layout**, depending on your choice of verticals or horizontals, change the number of **Rows** and **Columns**, the **Cell Spacing** and **Cell Size** (switch off the **Keep Square**);
- Under **Print Job**, make sure you **Print to JPEG File**, and set the **File Resolution** to 130ppi;
- This should create a square jpg, with dimensions of 1074x1074px (inside the NEPG specs).



Note 4: if a Print is required:

- to create a JPEG file for third-party printing:
 - use the same settings as above;
 - incl **Print To JPEG File**;
 - except set **File Resolution** to 300ppi;
 - and **Profile** to AdobeRGB.

- for home-printing:
 - set **Print To** Printer;
 - **Print Resolution** to 300;
 - and use the same settings you'd normally use for your printing.
- If you want to create a print larger than A4, you could change the **Custom File Dimensions** right from the start, or, alternatively, create from scratch using **Layout Style>Custom Package**.



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