

Create a PDI in Lightroom

Select your photography and select the 'PRINT' module from the top menu. Only have the following settings selected.

At the bottom of the left hand panel click on the 'Page Setup' button.

It loads the Printer dialogue box but you're not going to print it. Just select 'Landscape' orientation and click 'OK'.

In the right hand panel expand the 'Layout Style' tab and select 'Single Image'.

Then expand the 'Print Job' tab and change 'Print to:' to JPEG File.

Set the 'File Resolution' to 100, 'JPEG Quality' to 100%, tick 'Custom File Dimensions' and set it to 16x12 in, then set 'Profile' to sRGB

Under the 'Layout' tab set all the 'Margins' to zero or a low dimension under 0.5.

Move the 'Cell Size' sliders all the way to the right.

Under the 'Guides' tab deselect 'Show Guides' to disable them.

Under the 'Page' tab tick 'Page Background Colour' and set it to black by clicking on the colour box and selecting black. Nothing else should be selected.

If you want a border around your picture choose the 'Image Settings' tab and tick the 'Stroke Border' box. Then choose a size to your preference and set the colour to white.

Now click on the 'Print to File' button at the bottom of the right hand panel and navigate to when you wish to save it.

All your work can now be saved as a template and reused to create PDIs from portrait or landscape photographs. To save it as a template in the right hand panel click in the '+' sign to the right of 'Template Browser' tab. Enter a name and save it as a 'User Template'.

Next time you want to create a PDI simply select the image, go to the 'Print' module and select your new template and it will apply the settings.