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Ten Prints

This past August I was able to take a two-week vacation to Germany and Austria with my mom and sister. My mom served her mission in Austria, so she wanted to show us the country that she grew to love when she was our age. This trip was an amazing experience, and I wanted a way to document these memories and have them forever. On this trip, I brought my Nikon d3300, a Polaroid, and a Contax G film camera. I love photography and having prints of pictures, so I wanted a variety of pictures form this trip. When I got home a few days before school started, I downloaded all my digital photos to my laptop, and took 2-4 hours a week editing, sorting, and choosing which photos I wanted to keep.

I organized the photos in Adobe Lightroom. I organized the photos by each day on the trip and labeled them by cities. I want through a first round and deleted the pictures I knew I would not want to spend time on with editing. I then went from day 1 and started editing. I use a foundational set of presets from a company called A Color Story and tinkered with the settings from there. This took me nearly two months to finish. I wanted these edits to be perfect because I knew I would use them for prints in the future.

I put a select few up on Facebook and promoted select prints to my friends that showed interest. These prints were 16x20 and turned out amazing. The following are the top 10 photographs of my trip, and some of which were selected for prints.