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Digital cameras have been around a good while now, but there are still some real 35mm fans out there who have resisted the switch. While 35mm is still perfectly fine, it is hard to argue with some of the advantages of digital. Digital cameras allow you to immediately assess the pictures you capture, and with the software programs available on most computers, the possibilities for alteration and digital manipulation of photographs is practically limitless. There is a lot of confounding information, however, about which digitals are best.

Of course, you also have some digital users who are ready to invest in a newer or more expensive digital, but are having a tough time choosing the perfect model for their needs. When it comes to purchasing a new camera, then, it seems most anyone could use a few digital camera tips!

When purchasing a digital camera, you have to be honest with yourself about how you will be using the camera. If you are a professional or an enthusiastic photographer, you definitely want to go with Digital Single Lens Reflexes (DSLR). If you currently own a 35mm SLR you will most likely be able to make the switch quite effortlessly, and you will probably even be able to use your present lenses with a digital camera body.

The advantages of DSLR include lens interchangeability, high speed capability to capture sports and other fast action, and a viewfinder that is through the lens. If, however, none of these things matter very much to you, and you just want a light camera to carry around in your pocket on vacation or at family get-togethers, then what is often called a "point-and-shoot" will probably fill your needs. Be advised, though, that a point and shoot camera with an electronic viewfinder is the best option. Those with optical viewfinders are frustrating at times in that it is hard to tell exactly what you are photographing, and if you are in bright light the glare will make it tough to see the viewfinder at all!

No matter which kind you choose, going digital is a lot of fun. You can take all the pictures you want, dumping any bad pictures to make room for more, and you can see without waiting what kind of shots you are getting!

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