Instagram puzzle layout
INSTRUCTIONS

handwritten font

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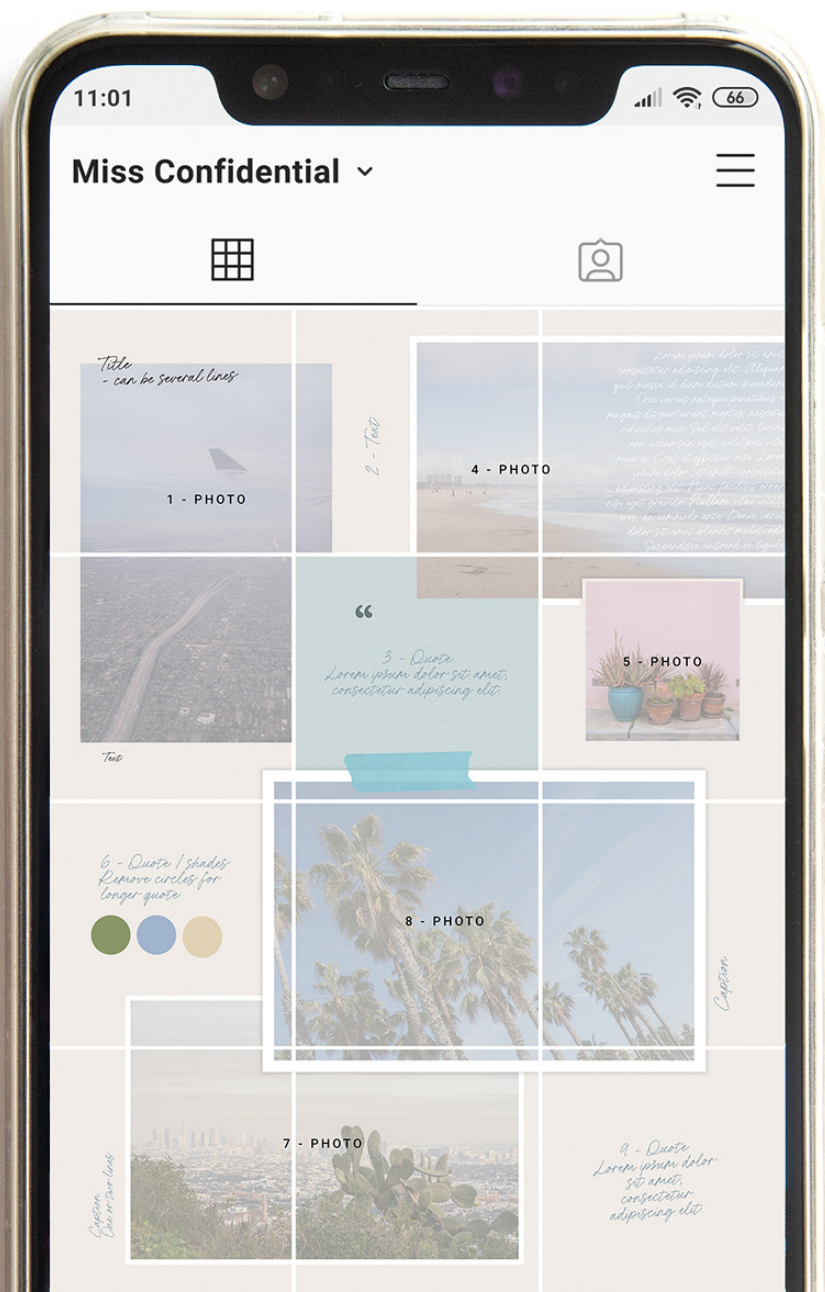

BASICS

Open the document *Instagram puzzle.psd* in Photoshop.
I would recommend saving it with a new name (File > Save As) right away to preserve the clean template for later if you want to make more puzzles or start over.
Each element of the layout is in it's own folder, which you can see in the Layers panels. The document has guides to help you visualize each piece, you can toggle them on/off by pressing Ctrl + H (or ⌘ + H on Mac).

TEXT

To edit the texts, simply click any text element and replace the existing text with your own.

PHOTOS

For photos, open the folder containing the element, e.g. *1 - Photo* and inside you will find another folder called *photo*. Open this folder too, select the *placeholder* layer inside it and drag and drop your image to add as a smart object (or copy and paste if you don't want to use smart objects). The photo should end up right above the *placeholder* layer. Resize the photo to your desired size, while holding the Shift key to maintain original aspect ratio.

You'll likely want to change the colors of the 3 circles on the left to match your photos. To do that, open folders *6 - Quote / shades > shades* and double-click each color layer. Or if you prefer having a longer quote there instead, you can also hide the *shades* folder by clicking the eye icon next to it.

COLORS

You are free to customize colors and fonts as much as you like!
Change text color, size or font-face like you usually would in Photoshop, using the Character panel or the panel at the top.
For all other elements, color can be changed by locating the color layer (or border layer in case of borders) in the Layers panel and double-clicking it.
The background color of the quote in the middle is inside folder *3 - Quote* and the color of the piece of tape at the bottom of that quote inside folders *8 - Photo > tape*.

SAVING

To save your finished puzzle ready to be posted, choose File > Export > Save For Web (legacy). The document is already sliced into 12 pieces, each 1080 px x 1080 px, the size of an Instagram square. Review the settings and if you want to change them, make sure to select all slices first. I like to save as JPEG at 90% quality. Click save, choose your desired location and you will find all slices there inside a folder called *images*.
Post at your desired schedule, starting from the last piece number 12!