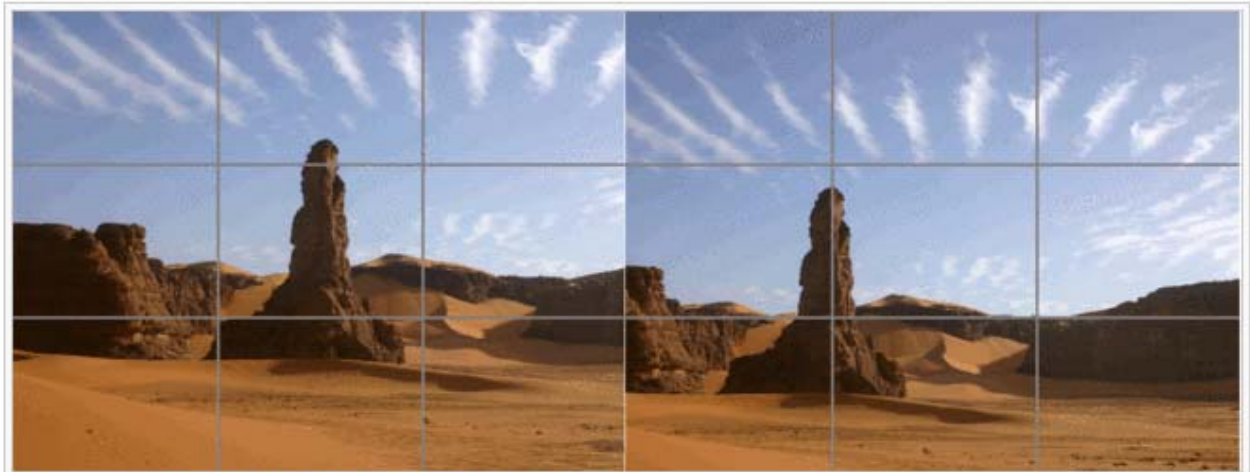


# The Rule of Thirds

## Basic Visual Composition

**Rule of Thirds** - This guideline proposes that an image should be imagined as divided into nine equal parts by **two equally-spaced horizontal lines** and **two equally-spaced vertical lines**, and that important compositional elements should be placed along these lines or their intersections



A picture cropped without and with the rule of thirds

