

Photoshop Quick "How To"

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Overview

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- Toolbar
- Layers
- Common Questions

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Overall Program

Photoshop	Illustrator
Pixel (Raster) Based	Vector (Math) Based
Manipulate small dots on a very granular level	Manipulate anchors to lines on a larger level
Generally used for photographs, layouts, and web design	Generally used for illustrations, logos, and layouts
Does not scale well	Scales to any size

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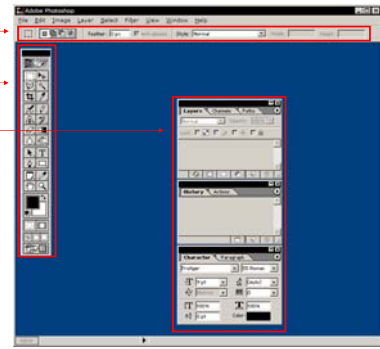
Overall Program

modifier bar

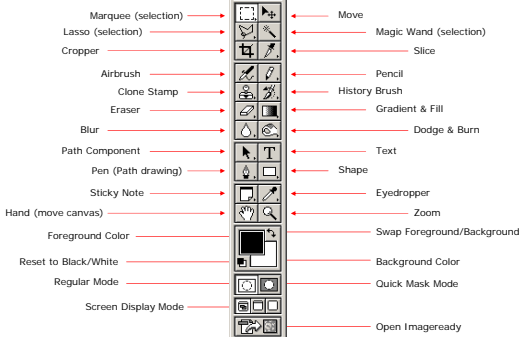
toolbar

palettes:

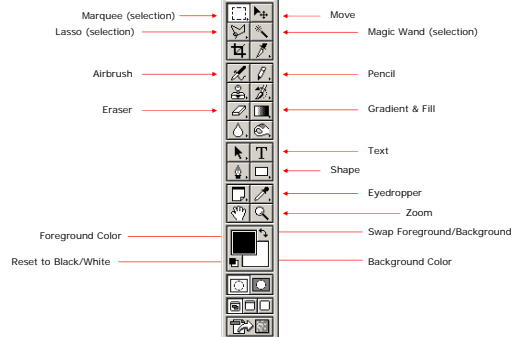
- Layers
- Channels
- Paths
- History
- Actions
- Character
- Paragraph
- Colors
- Swatches
- Styles
- Navigator
- Info



Toolbar

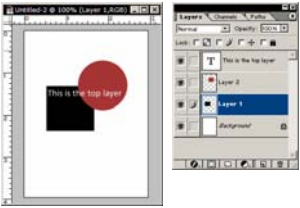


Toolbar



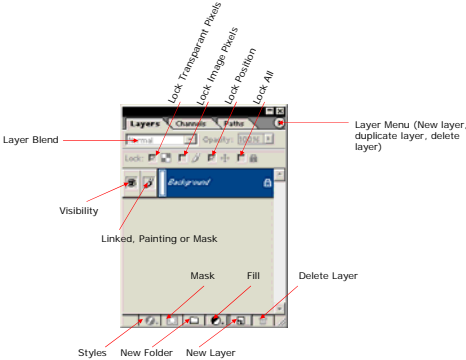
Layers

- Think of Layers as sheets of transparent acetate
- You can move items on layers
- Whenever you paste something, it automatically creates a new layer for itself



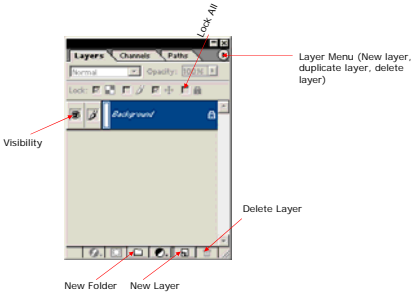
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Layers




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Common Questions

How do I rotate something?

- Select the correct layer
- Select the stuff to rotate
- Rotate

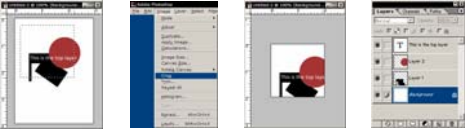


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Common Questions

How do I crop something?

- Select your crop areas
- Crop
- Note – your layers do not merge

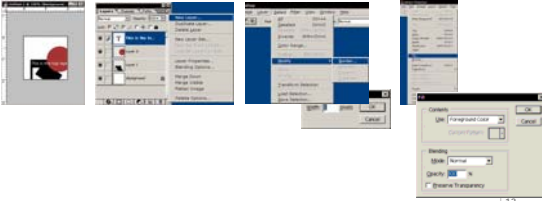


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Common Questions

How do I add borders to something?

- Select the area to add borders to (Ctrl-A for all)
- Add a new layer, if you want
- Add borders
- Fill with foreground color

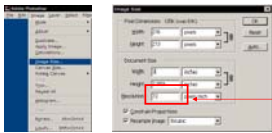


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Common Questions

How do I resize an image?

1. Select Image Size
2. Make choices, select OK



Use 72 pixels/inch for screen viewing (webpages, CDROMs)

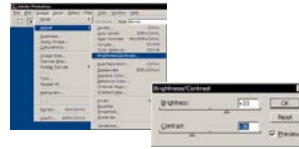
Use 300+ pixels/inch for printing (process books, portfolio, posters)

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Common Questions

How do I alter an image's brightness/contrast?

1. Select Adjust Brightness/Contrast
2. Make choices, select OK



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Common Questions

Others?

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