

# COMPARISON OF FREE PHOTO EDITING APPS FOR "WINDOWS.."

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# SUMMARY

To help you select the free photo editing app to use in a "Windows.." computer, here is a side by side comparison of some of them.


# TOPICS

- "Report Cards" for the Various Free Photo Editing Apps for "Windows"
- Summary of the Photo Editing Capabilities

# FREE APPS FOR PHOTO EDITING IN "WINDOWS.." (continued)

- "Photos" from Microsoft (bundled for free inside "Windows 10..", "Windows 8.x", and "Windows 7..")
- "Google Photo"
- "Adobe Photoshop Express"
- "IrfanView"
- "GIMP"

# FREE APPS FOR PHOTO EDITING (continued)

- "Photos" from Microsoft (bundled for free inside "Windows 10.", "Windows 8.x.", and "Windows 7.") EASIER TO USE BUT LESS POWERFUL
  - "Google Photo"
  - "Adobe Photoshop Express"
  - "IrfanView"
  - "GIMP"
- HARDER TO USE AND MORE POWERFUL
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Can import .JPG files into a photo project	Yes
Can import .PNG files into a photo project	Yes
Can import .TIF files into a photo project	Yes
Can import .BMP files into a photo project	Yes
Can import the Canon RAW files from <a href="https://raw.pixls.us/">https://raw.pixls.us/</a> into a photo project	No
Can import the Nikon RAW files from <a href="https://raw.pixls.us/">https://raw.pixls.us/</a> into a photo project	No
Can import the Sony RAW files from <a href="https://raw.pixls.us/">https://raw.pixls.us/</a> into a photo project	No

# "Photos" Bundled in "Windows.." Page 2 of 2

Can tilt a photo project either 90 or 180 or 270 degrees	Yes
Can tilt a photo project a specific number of degrees from 0 to 359 degrees	No
Can adjust the brightness of a photo project	Yes
"Gamma" adjustment of the input-output brightness "x-y" curve of a photo project	No
Can adjust the contrast of a photo project	No
Can perform a rectangular crop on a photo project	Yes
Spot Removal and Red Eye Removal	Yes



# "Google Photos" in "Windows.." Page 1 of 2

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Can import .PNG files into a photo project	Yes
Can import .TIF files into a photo project	Yes
Can import .BMP files into a photo project	Yes
Can import the Canon RAW files from <a href="https://raw.pixls.us/">https://raw.pixls.us/</a> into a photo project	No
Can import the Nikon RAW files from <a href="https://raw.pixls.us/">https://raw.pixls.us/</a> into a photo project	No
Can import the Sony RAW files from <a href="https://raw.pixls.us/">https://raw.pixls.us/</a> into a photo project	No

# "Google Photos" in "Windows.." Page 2 of 2

Can tilt a photo project either 90 or 180 or 270 degrees	Yes
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Can adjust the brightness of a photo project	Yes
"Gamma" adjustment of the input-output brightness "x-y" curve of a photo project	No
Can adjust the contrast of a photo project	Yes
Can perform a rectangular crop on a photo project	Yes
Spot Removal and Red Eye Removal	No

# "Adobe Photoshop Express 2020" in "Windows.."

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Can import .JPG files into a photo project	Yes
Can import .PNG files into a photo project	Yes
Can import .TIF files into a photo project	No
Can import .BMP files into a photo project	No
Can import the Canon RAW files from <a href="https://raw.pixls.us/">https://raw.pixls.us/</a> into a photo project	No
Can import the Nikon RAW files from <a href="https://raw.pixls.us/">https://raw.pixls.us/</a> into a photo project	Yes
Can import the Sony RAW files from <a href="https://raw.pixls.us/">https://raw.pixls.us/</a> into a photo project	No

# "Adobe Photoshop Express 2020" in "Windows.."

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Can tilt a photo project either 90 or 180 or 270 degrees	Yes
Can tilt a photo project a specific number of degrees from 0 to 359 degrees	No
Can adjust the brightness of a photo project	Yes
"Gamma" adjustment of the input-output brightness "x-y" curve of a photo project	No
Can adjust the contrast of a photo project	Yes
Can perform a rectangular crop on a photo project	Yes
Spot Removal and Red Eye Removal	Yes

Can import .JPG files into a photo project	Yes
Can import .PNG files into a photo project	Yes
Can import .TIF files into a photo project	Yes
Can import .BMP files into a photo project	Yes
Can import the Canon RAW files from <a href="https://raw.pixls.us/">https://raw.pixls.us/</a> into a photo project	Yes
Can import the Nikon RAW files from <a href="https://raw.pixls.us/">https://raw.pixls.us/</a> into a photo project	Yes
Can import the Sony RAW files from <a href="https://raw.pixls.us/">https://raw.pixls.us/</a> into a photo project	Yes

# "Irfanview" in "Windows.." Page 2 of 2

Can tilt a photo project either 90 or 180 or 270 degrees	Yes
Can tilt a photo project a specific number of degrees from 0 to 359 degrees	Yes
Can adjust the brightness of a photo project	Yes
"Gamma" adjustment the input-output brightness "x-y" curve of a photo project	Yes
Can adjust the contrast of a photo project	Yes
Can perform a rectangular crop on a photo project	Yes
Spot Removal and Red Eye Removal	Yes

Can import .JPG files into a photo project	Yes
Can import .PNG files into a photo project	Yes
Can import .TIF files into a photo project	Yes
Can import .BMP files into a photo project	Yes
Can import the Canon RAW files from <a href="https://raw.pixls.us/">https://raw.pixls.us/</a> into a photo project	No
Can import the Nikon RAW files from <a href="https://raw.pixls.us/">https://raw.pixls.us/</a> into a photo project	Yes with UFRRAW
Can import the Sony RAW files from <a href="https://raw.pixls.us/">https://raw.pixls.us/</a> into a photo project	Yes with UFRRAW

# "GIMP" in "Windows.." Page 2 of 2

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Can tilt a photo project a specific number of degrees from 0 to 359 degrees	Yes
Can adjust the brightness of a photo project	Yes
"Gamma" adjustment of the input-output brightness "x-y" curve of a photo project	Yes
Can adjust the contrast of a photo project	Yes
Can perform a rectangular crop on a photo project	Yes
Spot Removal and Red Eye Removal	Yes



# SPOT REMOVAL AND RED EYE REMOVAL IN "WINDOWS.."

- Available in "Photos" app, "Adobe Photoshop Express 2020", and "GIMP"
- Not available in "Google Photos" and "Irfanview"
- Harder to perform in "GIMP" relative to do in "Photos" and "Adobe Photoshop Express 2020" but the results in "GIMP" are better

# "GAMMA" ADJUSTMENT OF THE INPUT-OUTPUT BRIGHTNESS X-Y CURVE FOR A DIGITAL PHOTO IN "WINDOWS.."

- Not available in the "Photos" app, "Google Photos", or "Adobe Photoshop Express 2020"
- Available in "Irfanview"
- Harder to perform in "GIMP" relative to do in "Photos" and "Adobe Photoshop Express 2020" but the results in "GIMP" are better

# VIEW AND EDIT TIF FILES IN "WINDOWS.."

- "TIF" stands for "Tag Image File"
- The .TIF file format is the most non-lossy and stable file format for files that you create with a flatbed or sheet-fed scanner
- Available in "Photos" app, "Irfanview", "Google Photos", and "GIMP"
- Not available in "Adobe Photoshop Express 2020"

# VIEW AND EDIT RAW FILES IN "WINDOWS.."

- Not available in "Photos" and "Google Photos"
- Available in "Irfanview" for Canon, Nikon, and Sony RAW photo files
- "Adobe Photoshop Express 2020" can open Nikon RAW photo files. However "Adobe Photoshop Express cannot open Canon and Sony RAW photo files

# VIEW AND EDIT RAW FILES IN "WINDOWS.." (continued)

- "GIMP" can open Nikon and Sony RAW photo files. However "GIMP" cannot open Canon RAW photo files