How to export to print and web

Once you finish editing your images or creating projects from these images, you can export images in formats for print (PDF) and the web (JPEG, GIF, or PNG).

Saving as PDF from within Photoshop Elements

You can save Photoshop Elements images as Adobe Photoshop PDF (Portable Document Format). PDFs display all types of graphics accurately and can be opened on any operating system.

To save as a Photoshop PDF:

1. Open the photo in the Photoshop Elements Editor workspace.
2. Choose File > Save As.

   The Save As dialog box appears (**Figure 1**).
3. Choose Photoshop PDF from the Format popup menu.
4. Select from the following options:
   - Choose Include In The Elements Organizer to access the PDF through the Organizer after you have saved it.
   - Choose Save In Version Set With Original to link the PDF to the original image file. When you choose this option, the PDF will be grouped with the original image in the Organizer.
5. Click Save.

   The Save Adobe PDF dialog box appears (**Figure 2**). Leave the options at their defaults. Be sure the View PDF After Saving option is selected so you can preview the PDF after you save it.
6. Click Save PDF.

   The Save Adobe PDF dialog box closes and the PDF opens in Acrobat Reader. (You must have Acrobat Reader installed to view the PDF.)
7. Review the file in the Organizer. PDF will be grouped with the original image (**Figure 3**).

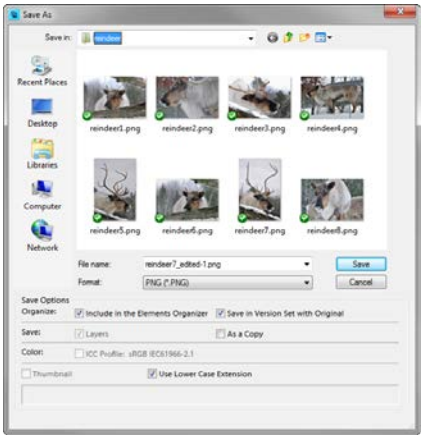

Figure 1 Save As dialog box

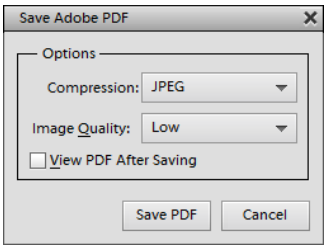

Figure 2 Save Adobe PDF options dialog box

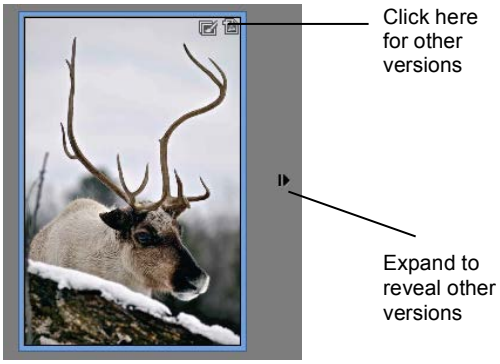

Figure 3 Available versions in the Elements Organizer

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Saving for the web from within Photoshop Elements

Photoshop Elements provides two options for exporting images for use on the Web:

- In the Save For Web dialog box, you can preview images and specify details on how they are saved. You can use this dialog box to create GIFs and PNGs (best for drawings and other low-color images) and JPEGs (best for photos).
- The Save As JPEG option lets you quickly save images as JPEGs. JPEG is the web standard for photographs. When you choose Save As JPEG, Photoshop Elements presents you with options for saving the JPEG, including a size/quality setting and a matte color for transparent areas of the image.

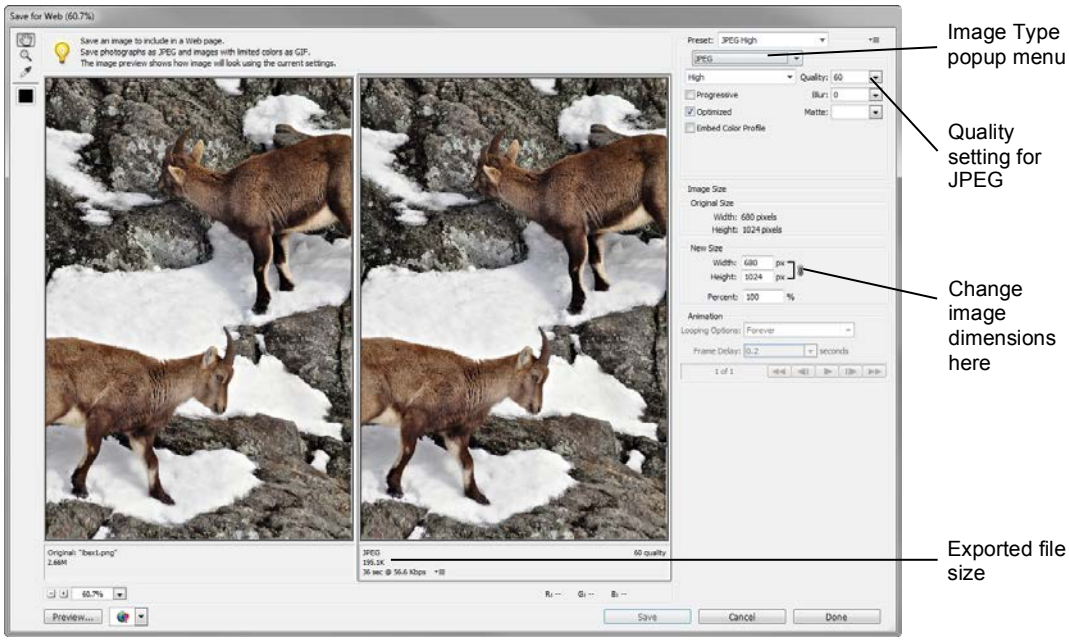

Figure 4 Save For Web dialog box

To use the Save For Web option:

1. Open the photo in the Adobe Elements Editor workspace and choose File > Save For Web.

   The Save For Web dialog box appears (**Figure 4**). This dialog box lets you choose from three image types—JPEG, GIF, or PNG—and adjust the size of the image and other options.

2. For photos, choose JPEG. For drawings and other images with limited colors, choose GIF or PNG.
3. Experiment with different quality percentages, enter dimensions for the exported image, and make other changes.

   Observe that a preview of the new image appears in the right panel, along with a predicted size for the exported image.

4. Click OK.

   The Save As dialog box appears.

5. Choose a name and location for the file and click Save.

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To save as a JPEG:

1. Open the photo in the Adobe Elements Editor workspace and choose File > Save As.

   The Save As dialog box appears (**Figure 5**).

2. Browse to the location where you want to save the file.
3. Choose JPEG from the Format popup menu.
4. Select from the following options:
   - Choose Include In The Elements Organizer to access the JPEG through the Organizer after you have saved it.
   - Choose Save In Version Set With Original to link the JPEG to the original image file. When you choose this option, the JPEG will be grouped with the original image in the Organizer.
5. Click Save.

   The JPEG Options dialog box appears (**Figure 6**).

6. Depending on your file size needs, move the Quality slider from small to large. (You can also choose from a number of presets by using the Quality popup menu.) As you move the Image Options slider, a preview of the file size appears in the right section of the dialog box.
7. Click OK.

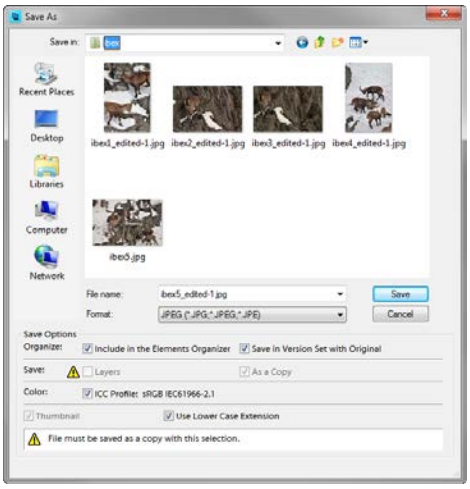

Figure 5 Save As dialog box with JPEG selected

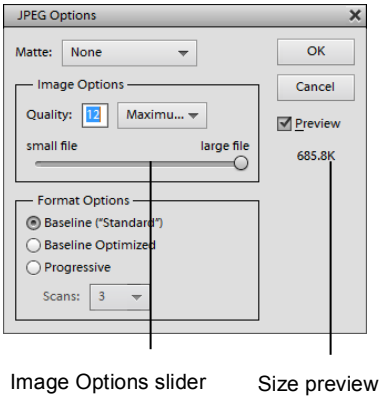

Figure 6 JPEG Options dialog box