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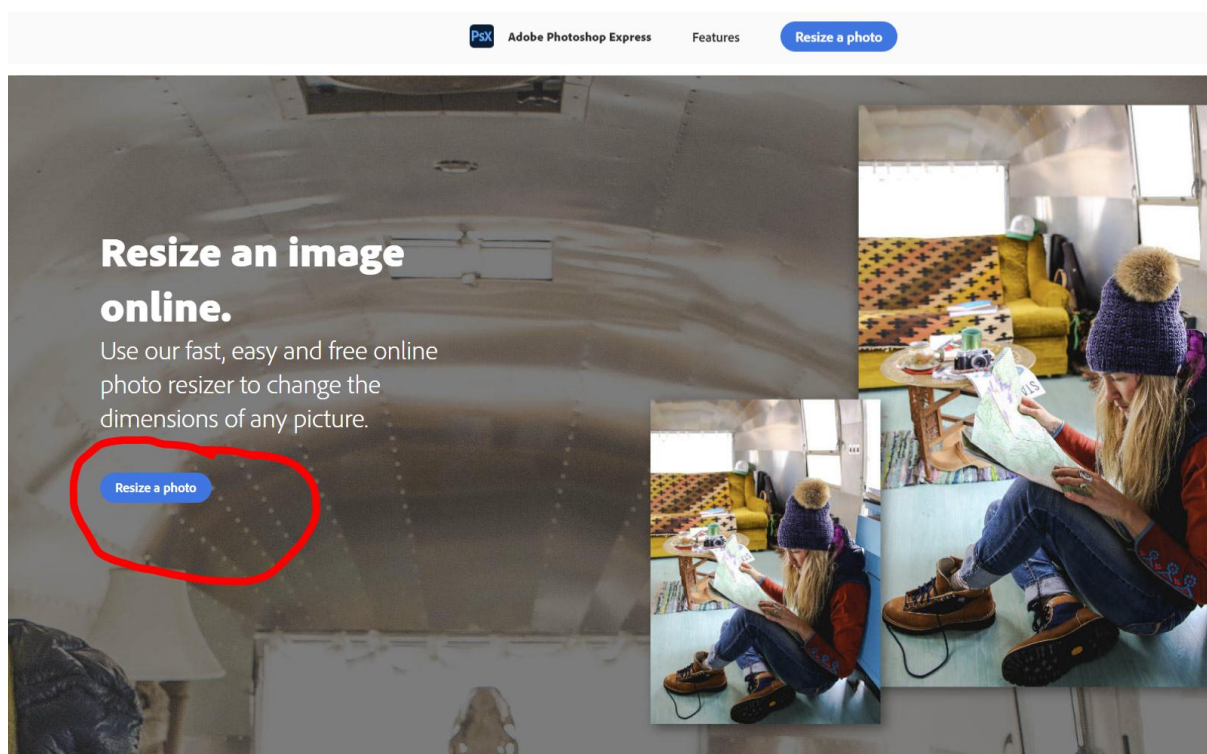
Resizing Images – FREE!

Every year, the subject of resizing images crops up and now that we have our online competitions where images need to be resized to a maximum of 1600px x 1200px, our galleries on the website where the requirement is a maximum 800px x 800px plus various international salons which all seem to have different requirements, resizing can become a bit of an issue. While Adobe Lightroom and Photoshop can easily export your images in your chosen dimensions, not everyone is using those products and sometimes even regular users of them have difficulty outputting correctly sized images.

Help is at hand! Adobe have an online resizing service which is both flexible and **FREE** and will resize your JPEG image to any required dimensions. It is genuinely free but after the first image you have resized it WILL ask you to create your FREE account. This is easy to do and simply requires that you give your name and email address. Once done, you can sign back in at any time and use the site to your heart's content. (Subscribers to Adobe Photography deal, please note that you simply sign in using your existing email and password to get access to the resizing site)

Access the image resizing site at the following link:

<https://www.adobe.com/uk/photoshop/online/resize-image.html>

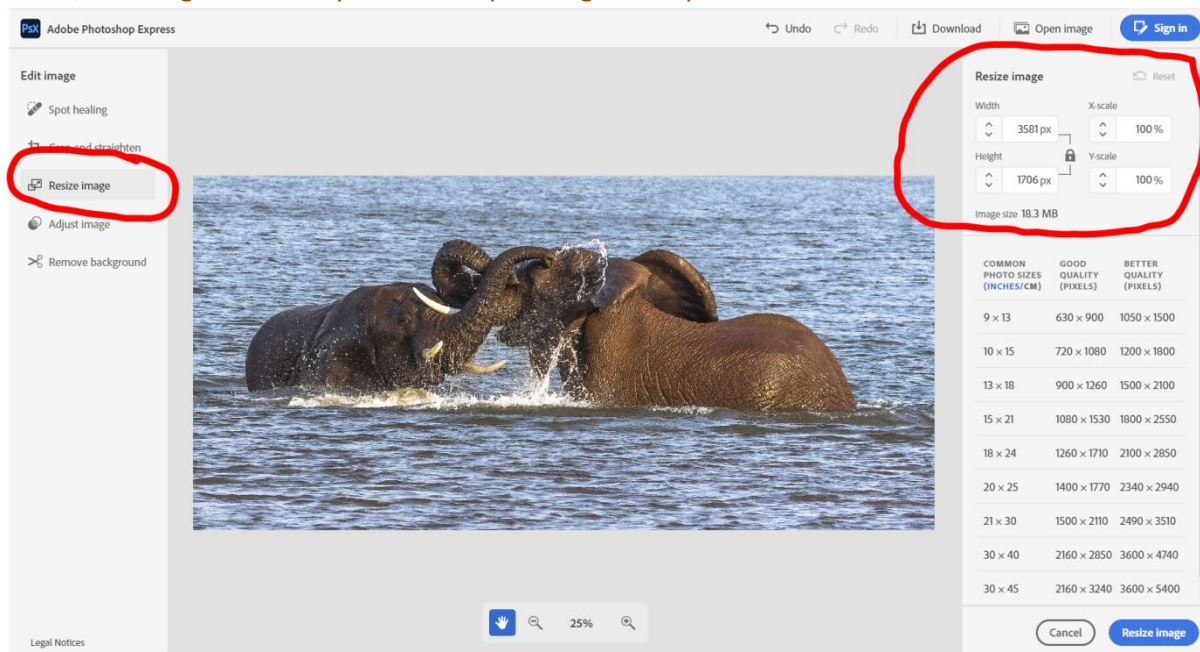


Easily change the size of your photos with Adobe Photoshop Express.

Want to know how to make a picture smaller or larger? Use our photo resizer to adjust the size of any image in seconds so it's perfect for social media, websites and more.

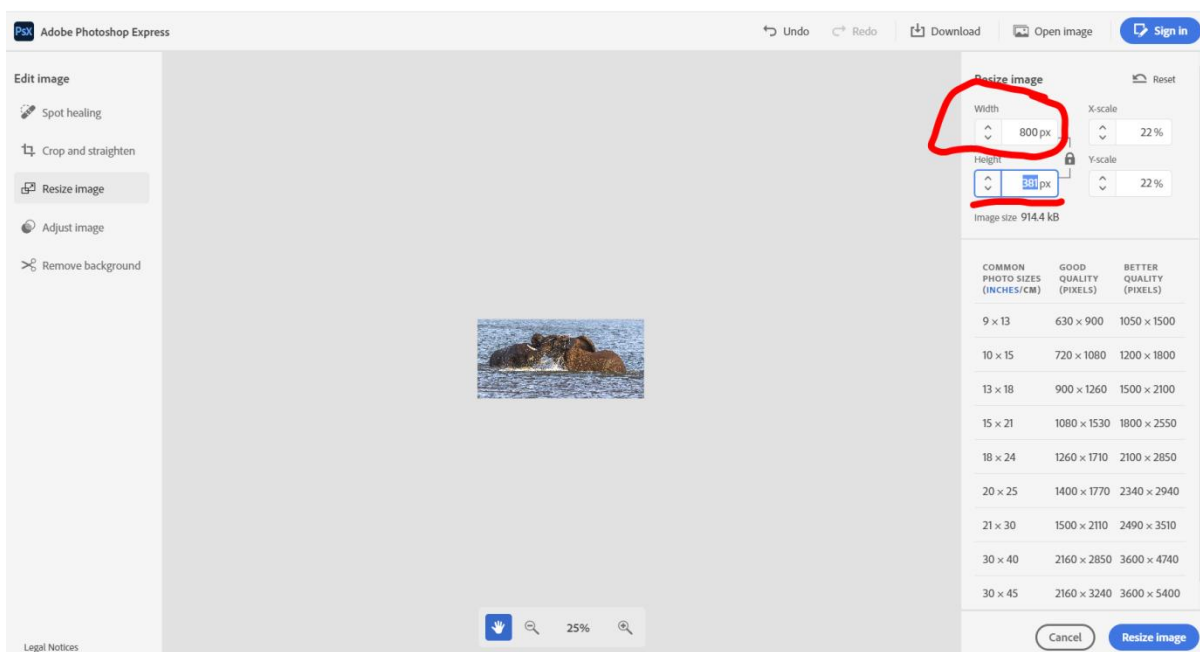
By all means, scroll through the site and have a look around but when you are ready to get started, click on the "Resize a photo" button as shown above.

In the following example, I am going to resize one of my images for my Members Gallery on our website where the maximum dimension must be no more than 800px x 800px. As you can see below, the image is currently width 3581px x height 1706px

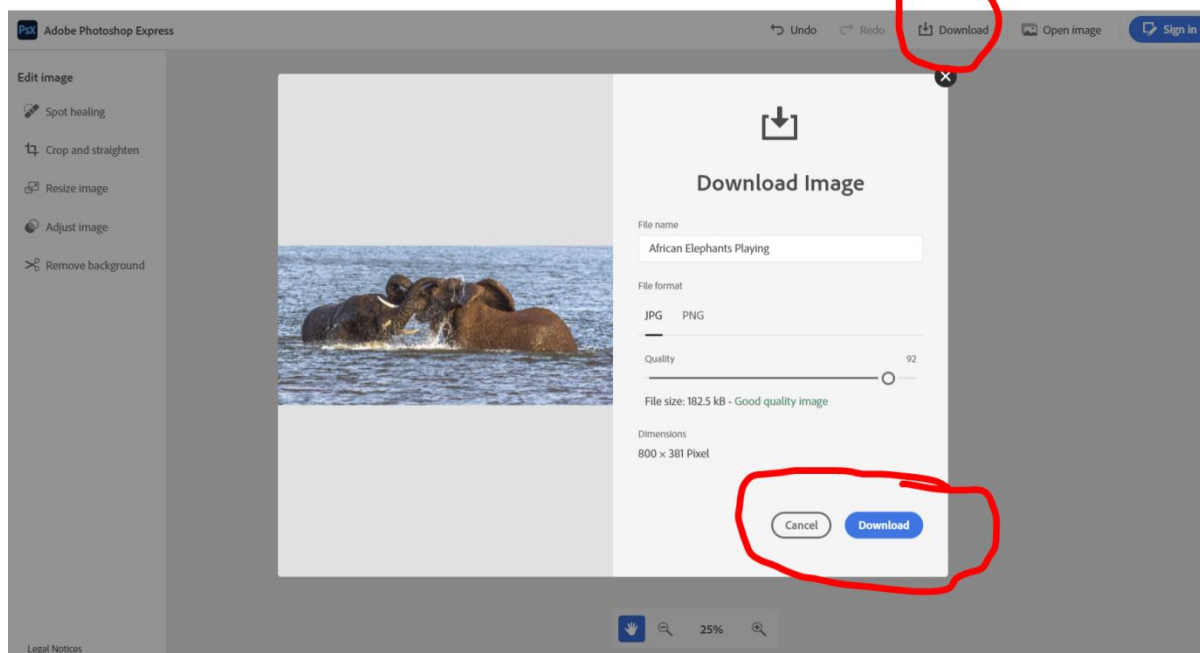


My image is wider than it is tall, so all I need to do, as in the screen below, is to type “800” in the “Width” box and press the Tab key on the keyboard. This automatically creates the Height dimension, retaining the correct aspect ratio.

Once you’re happy, click on the “Resize image” button at the bottom right of the screen and wait a few seconds for it to tell you your photo has been resized.



Next, in the following screen, click on “Download” in the top menu as shown



FINALLY, click on the “Download” button shown below and to the right of your image in the screenshot above. Then, as always, simply choose where on your computer you would like to save the resized image.

It may all sound a bit long-winded but once you have done it a couple of times you will find that it really does only take seconds per image.

Just remember when resizing images that if, for example, the maximum permitted dimensions are 1600px x 1200px, these are the maximum permitted width and height in that order and even if your image is only 1000px wide but is 1500px high, it still has to be resized.

Paid-for resizing

The limitations of the Adobe resizing site are that a) you have to work online and b) you can only resize one image at a time. Fair enough in my view – it’s free! However, if you do a lot of resizing for different reasons you may prefer to use a resizing programme locally on your desktop and which allows you to batch-convert and resize images and to save different settings with names. I use a programme called Light Image Resizer 6 and I have named settings for our website galleries (800x800), for our competitions (1600x1200) and for a variety of salons (1400 x 1050 for example). The programme costs a one-off 20 Euros and you can download an evaluation copy at:

<https://www.obviousidea.com/windows-software/light-image-resizer/>

On the above link there is also a short demonstration video on how the product works.

Disclaimer

For the record, I have absolutely no connection with Light Image Resizer or Obviousidea.com. It’s just a product I have bought and use regularly and find useful. If you Google “Image Resizing,” you’ll find plenty of similar programmes to choose from!

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