



Basics of the use of computer and ICT

Pixlr X



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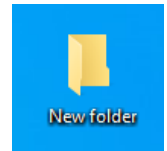
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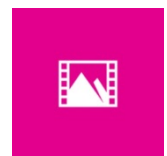
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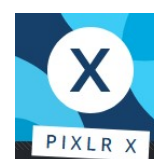
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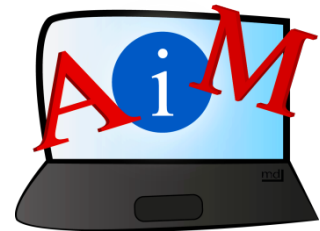
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Pixlr X

Introduction

Photo editing is changing the images.

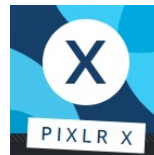
Online photo editing lets you change photos on your browser.

You do not need a special program on your computer.

Here you can learn how to use **online photo editor Pixlr X**.

Pixlr X is the easier version of Pixlr.

This is the symbol of Pixlr X:



Starting with Pixlr X

- Open your browser

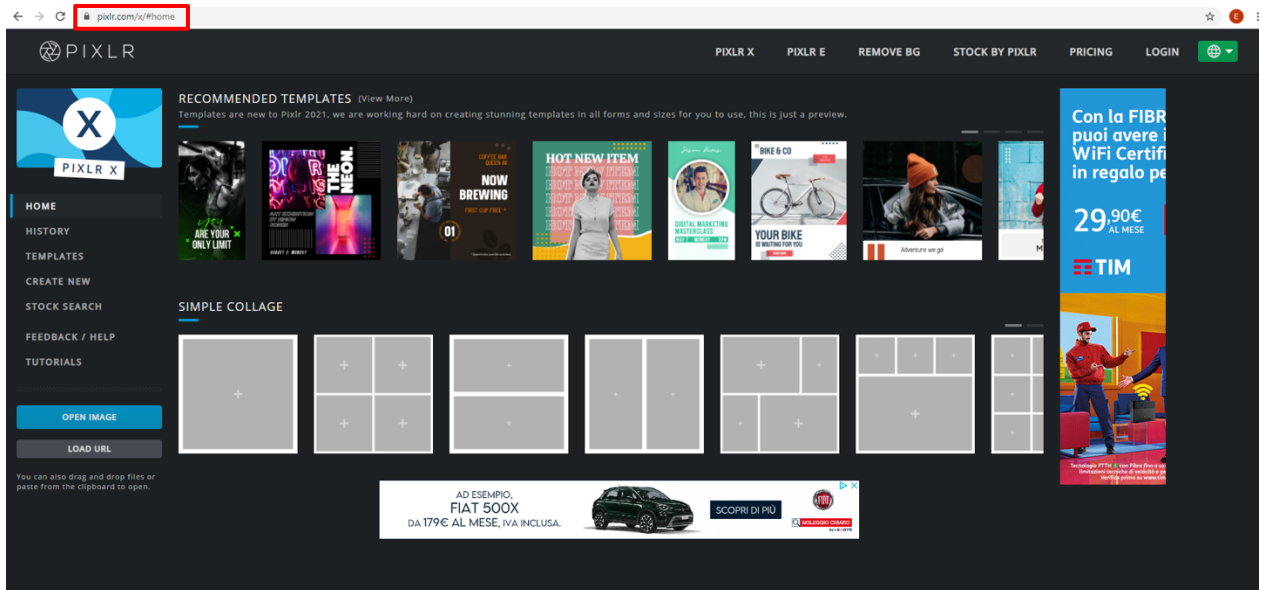
for example **Google Chrome**.



To start using Pixlr X you have to go to its homepage.

- Write in the search bar **pixlr.com/x** and press the **Enter** Key

to go to the homepage of Pixlr X.



How to choose language

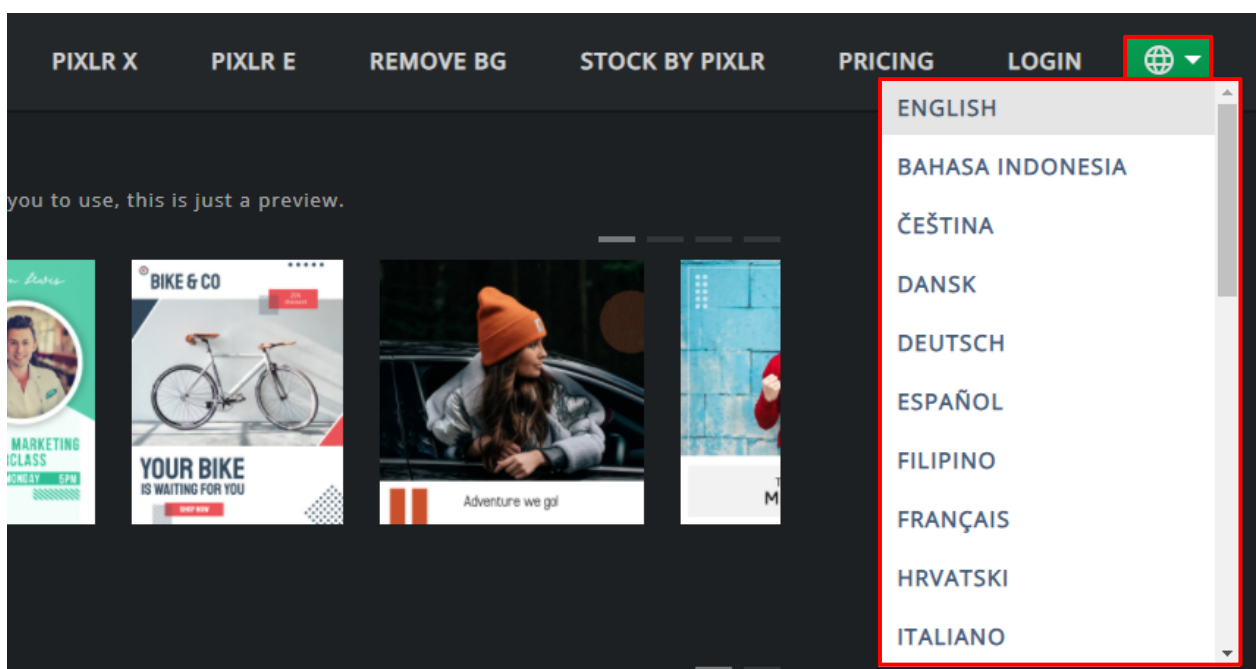
- Bring the cursor to the **green button**.



The green button is in the upper right corner

- Click the suitable **language** from the drop-down menu.

Toolbox and instructions are now in your chosen language.



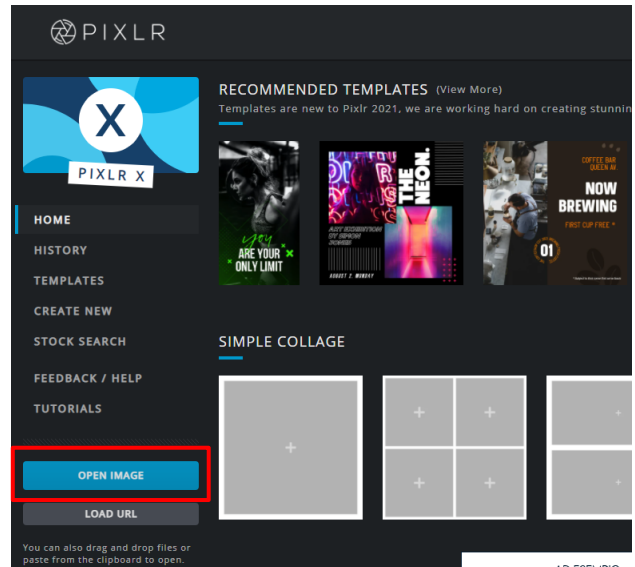
How to open an image

At first, be sure that you know how to find the wanted image

on your computer.

- Click on the blue button

OPEN IMAGE.

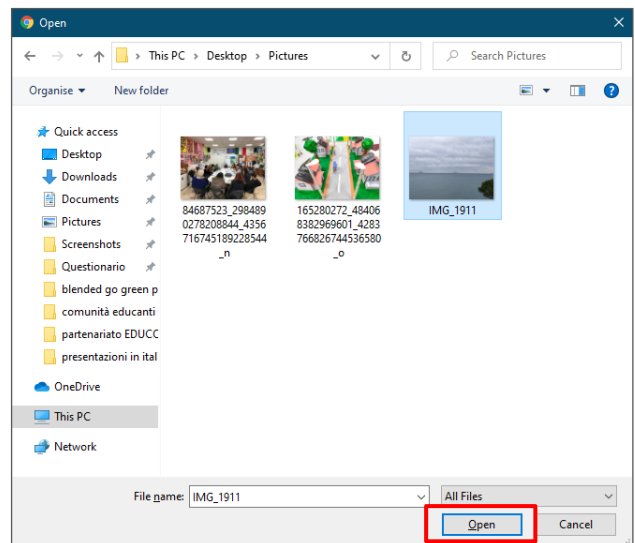


- The file browser opens,

select the image

you want to edit.

- Click **Open** to upload.



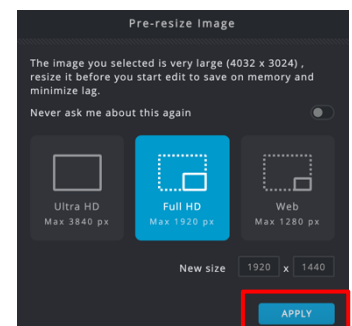
If the image you selected is very large

the window **Pre-resize Image** will appear.

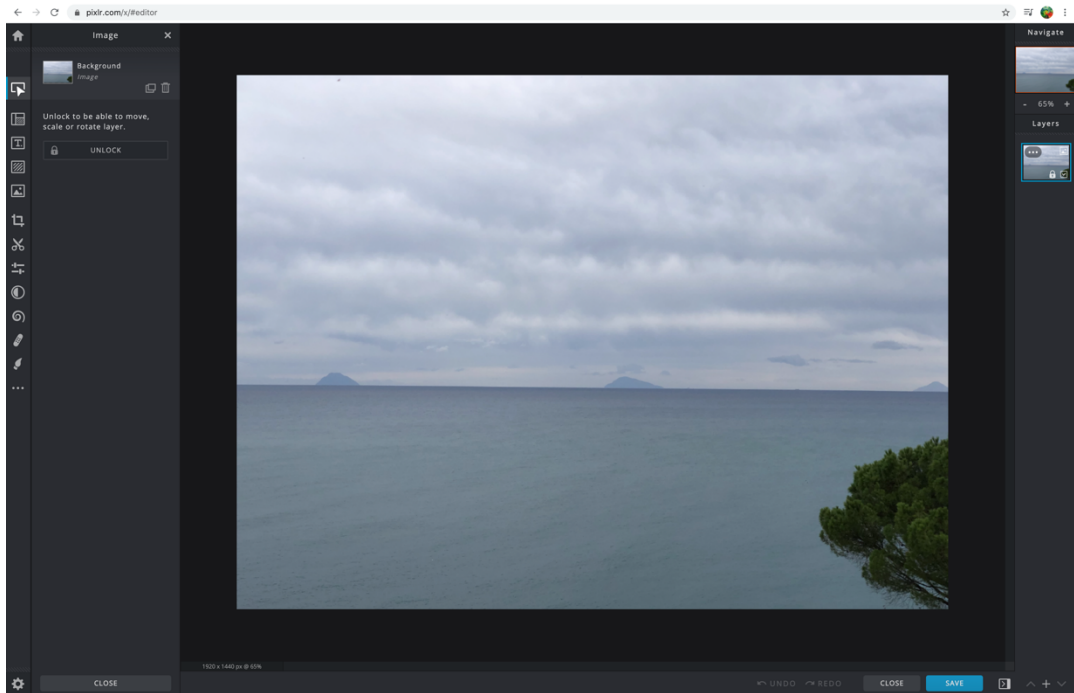
- Select one of the options to resize the image.

The default **Full HD** size is all good.

- Click on **APPLY.**



Now you have a workspace.

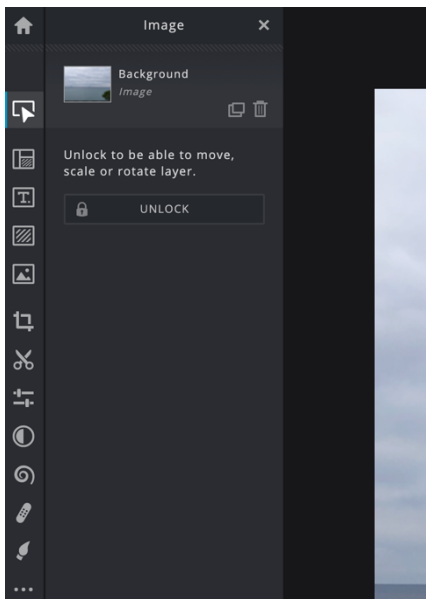


Toolbar

You can see the toolbar on the left side of the page.

The **toolbar** is the menu of the different editing tools.

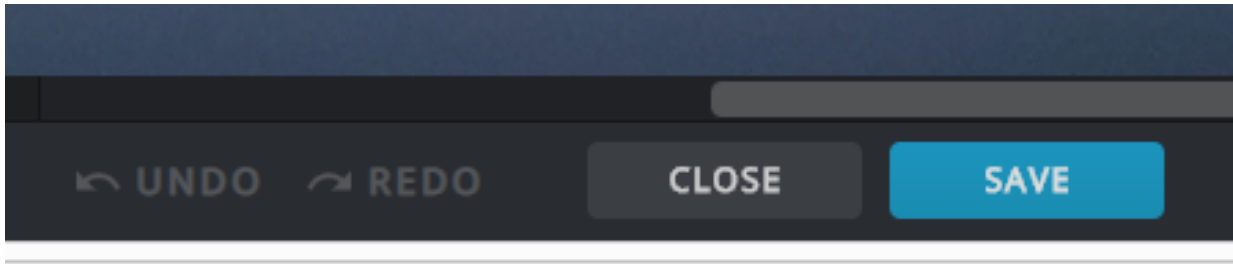
Each tool has a special button: an **icon**.



Slide the mouse cursor over an icon
to find out what you can do with this tool.

When you click a specific icon,
you can see more options for that tool.

You can see four buttons at the bottom of the page.



UNDO - To take back your last action

click on this button



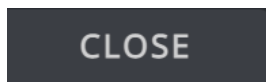
REDO - To take back your undo

click on this button



CLOSE - To close image without any of the changes made

click on this button



SAVE - To save the changes you made

click on this button



Crop and rotate

If you want to crop or rotate your image click on the button

CROP & ROTATE



This button is in the toolbar.

Whit this button you can also flip your image.

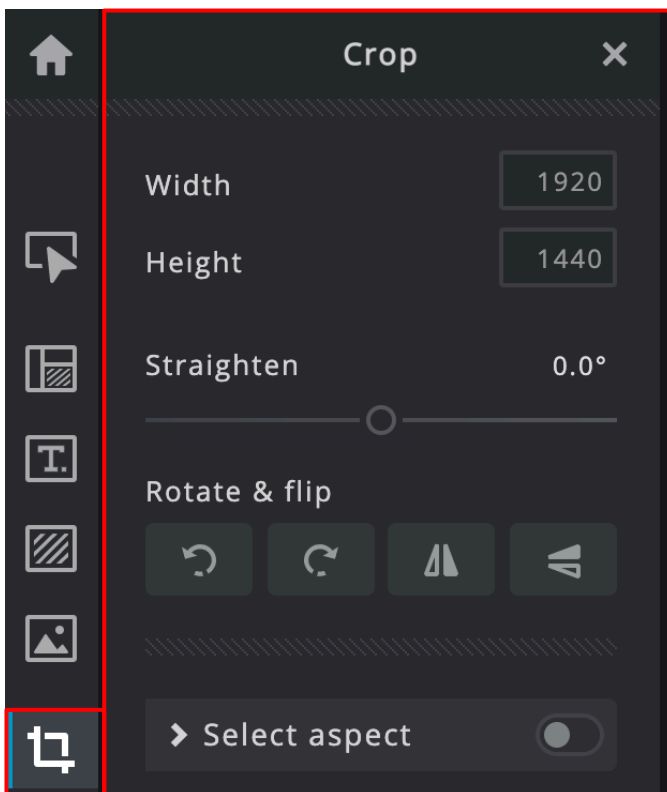
When you **crop** your image you can remove an unwanted area.

When you **rotate** your image it moves left or right

and keeps the same face toward you.


When you **flip** your image, it turns over,

the picture is now a mirror image.



Click on the button
CROP & ROTATE,
other tools will appear.

How to crop an image

- Open your image.
- Click on the icon **CROP & ROTATE**. 
- Click and drag the area what you want to keep with the cursor.
- What is outside of the selected area will be trimmed.
- Click on **APPLY** to let image be cropped.
- Click on **CANCEL** if you do not want to crop the image.



How to straighten an image

Use the tool **straighten** when the horizon is crooked and you want to make it horizontal.

- Open your image.

- Click on the icon **CROP & ROTATE**.



- Click on the **straighten tool's button** to activate the tool.



- Move the button with the cursor on the slider bar until the horizon is straight.



- Click on **APPLY** to let your image be straighten.
- Click on **CANCEL** if you do not want to straighten the image.

How to rotate or flip an image

- Open your image.
- Click on the icon **CROP & ROTATE**



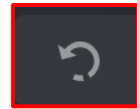
The tool menu will appear.

- Choose how you want to rotate or flip an image.
- Click on the chosen button.

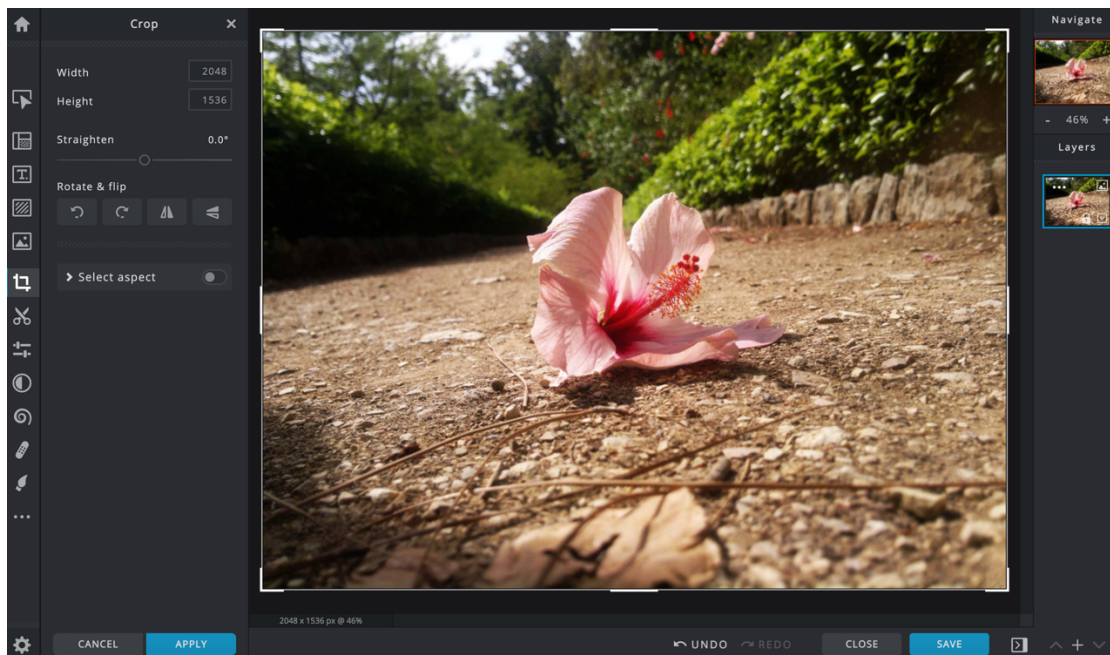
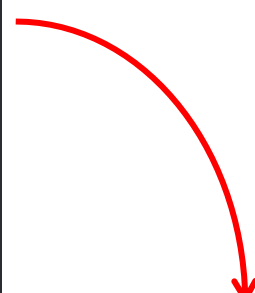
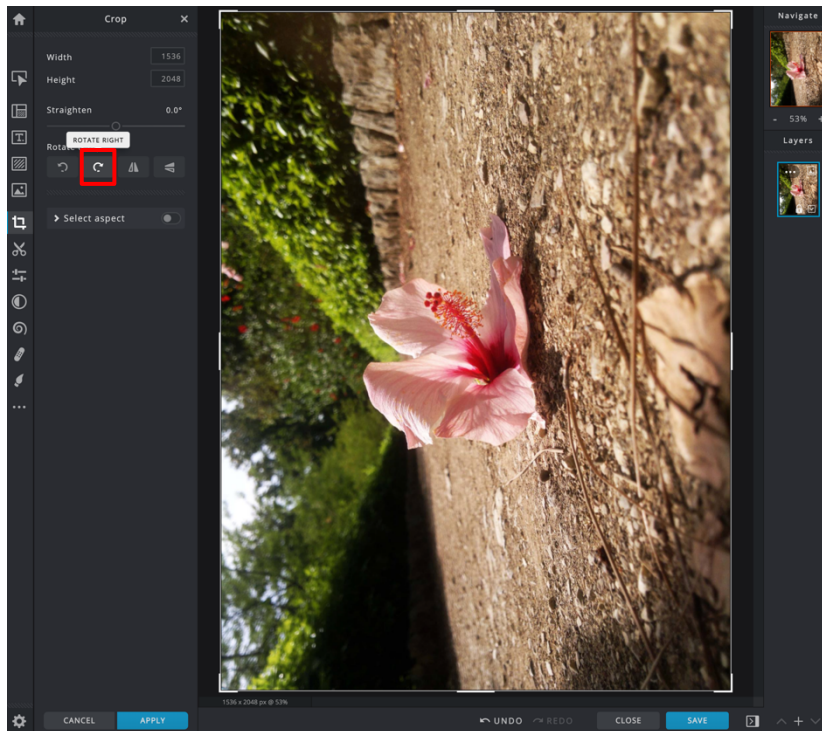


Change happens at the moment.

- Click on this button to **ROTATE LEFT** the image



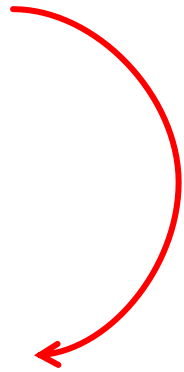
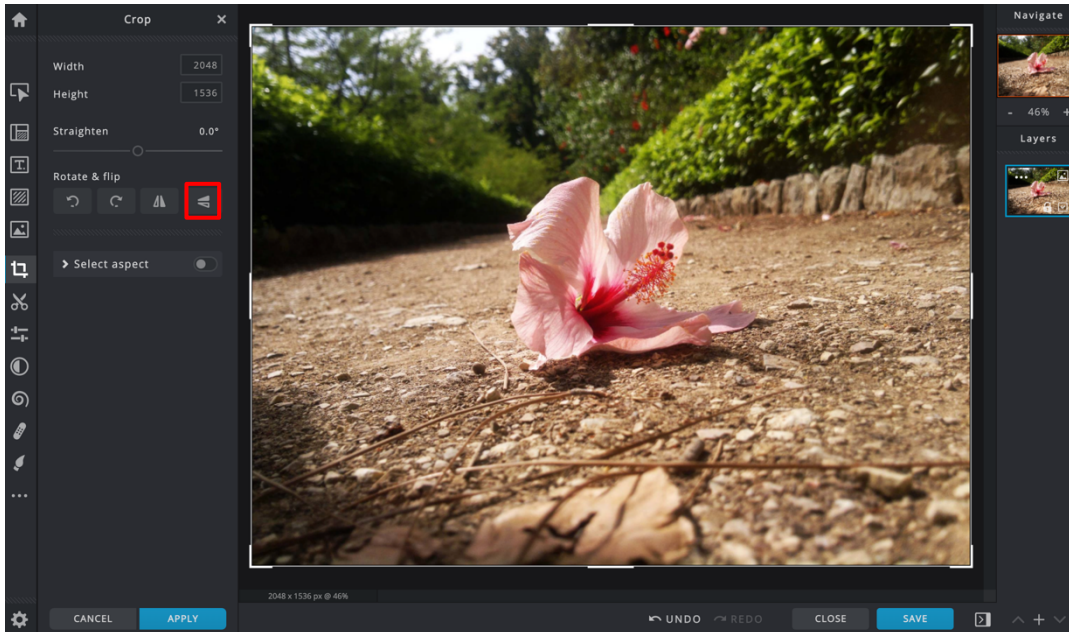
- Click on this button to **ROTATE RIGHT** the image



- Click on this button to **FLIP HORIZONTAL** the image



- Click on this button to **FLIP VERTICAL** the image



- Click on **APPLY** to let image be rotated or flipped.

- Click on **CANCEL** if you do not want to rotate or flip the image.

Adjust and filter

Use these tools if you want to change colors or lights on your image.

Here is an example before and after adjusting color and light.

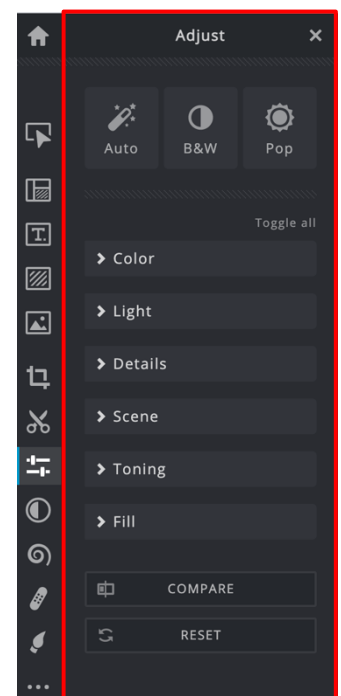


How to use the ADJUST & FILTER tool

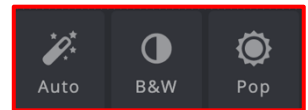
- Open your image.
- Click on the icon **ADJUST & FILTER**.



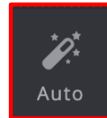
The tool menu will appear.



On the top of the menu there are three buttons:

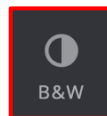


- Click on the button **Auto**



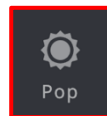
to make automatic adjustments to improve your image.

- Click on the button **B&W**



to make your image black and white.

- Click on the button **PoP**

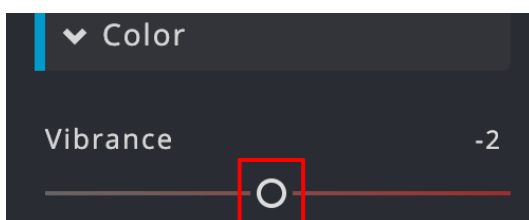


to make your image more bright and vivid.

There are also many buttons with a small arrow and writing.

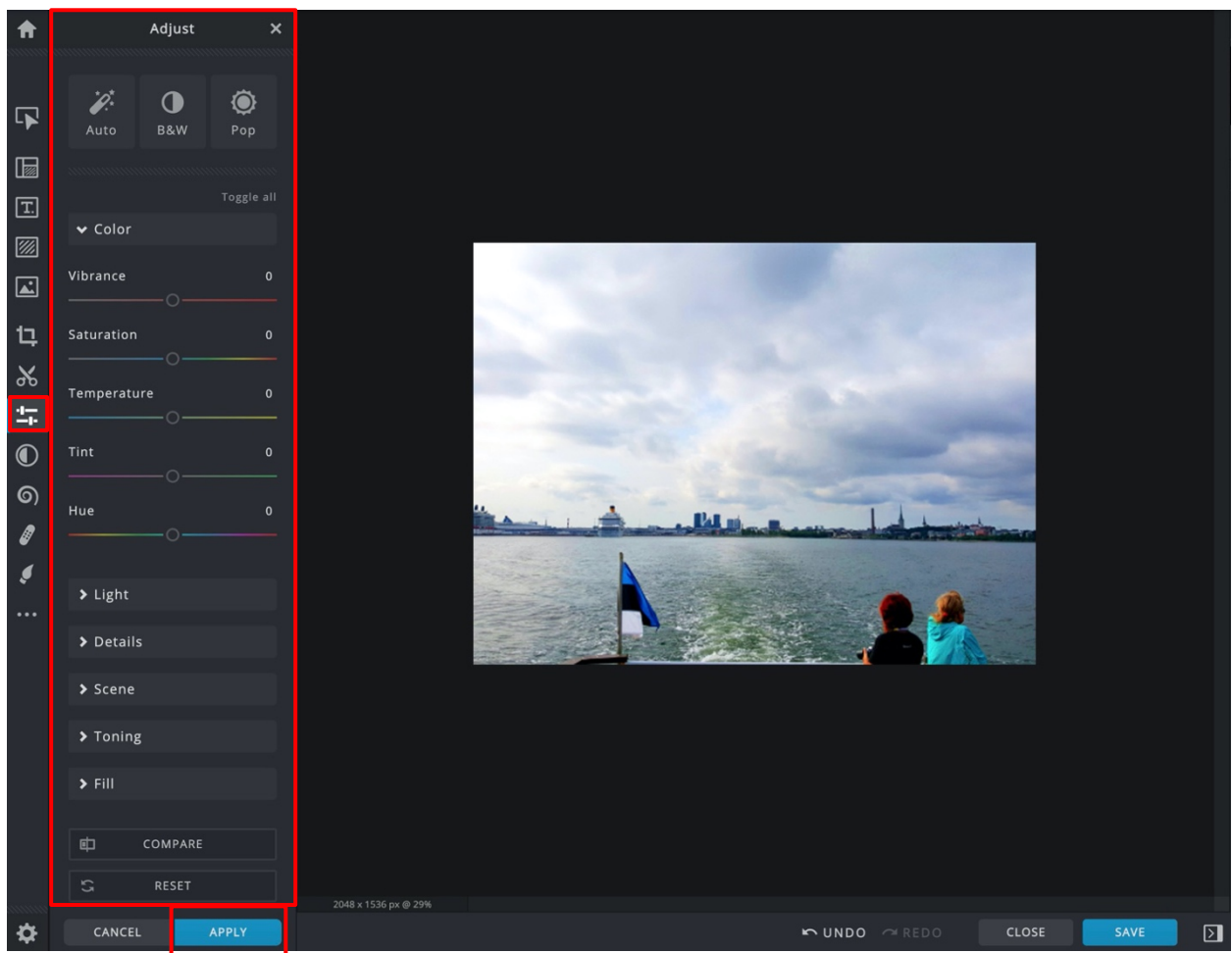
- Click on those buttons to see all the options.

- Move the circle on the slider bars to make adjustments.



- Click on **APPLY** to let your image be adjusted.

- Click on **CANCEL** if you do not want to adjust the image.



Meanings of the slider bars under the button **Color**

If you click on the button **Color**, many slider bars to adjust the colors of your image will appear:

Vibrance - use it if you want to increase or decrease the strength of muted colors of your image.

Saturation - use it if you want to increase or decrease the strength of all colors of your image.

Here the example of how increasing vibrance and saturation change the image.



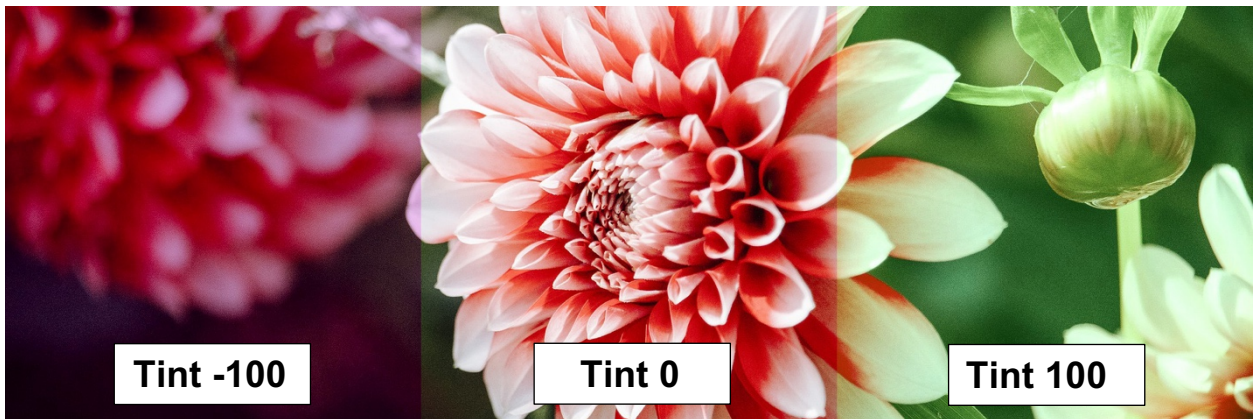
Temperature – use this tool when you want to make your image cooler (more blue) or warmer (more yellow).

Here the example of how decreasing and increasing temperature value change the image.



Tint - use this tool when you want to make your image colors more red or more green.

Here the example of how decreasing and increasing tint value change the image.



Hue - use this tool when you want to change the actual colors tones of the image with a different tonal range.

Here the example of how decreasing and increasing hue value change the image.



Meanings of the slider bars under the button Light

If you click on the button **Light**, many slider bars to adjust the light of your image will appear.

Here we explain the main ones:

Brightness - use it when you want to increase or decrease the light of midtones.

Midtones are colors what are neither dark nor light.

Exposure - use it when you want to increase or decrease the light of all colors.

Contrast - use it when you want increase the difference between light and dark colors.

Here the example of how increasing brightness, exposure and contrast change the image.



Effect

Use already made effects to change the look and feel of your image.

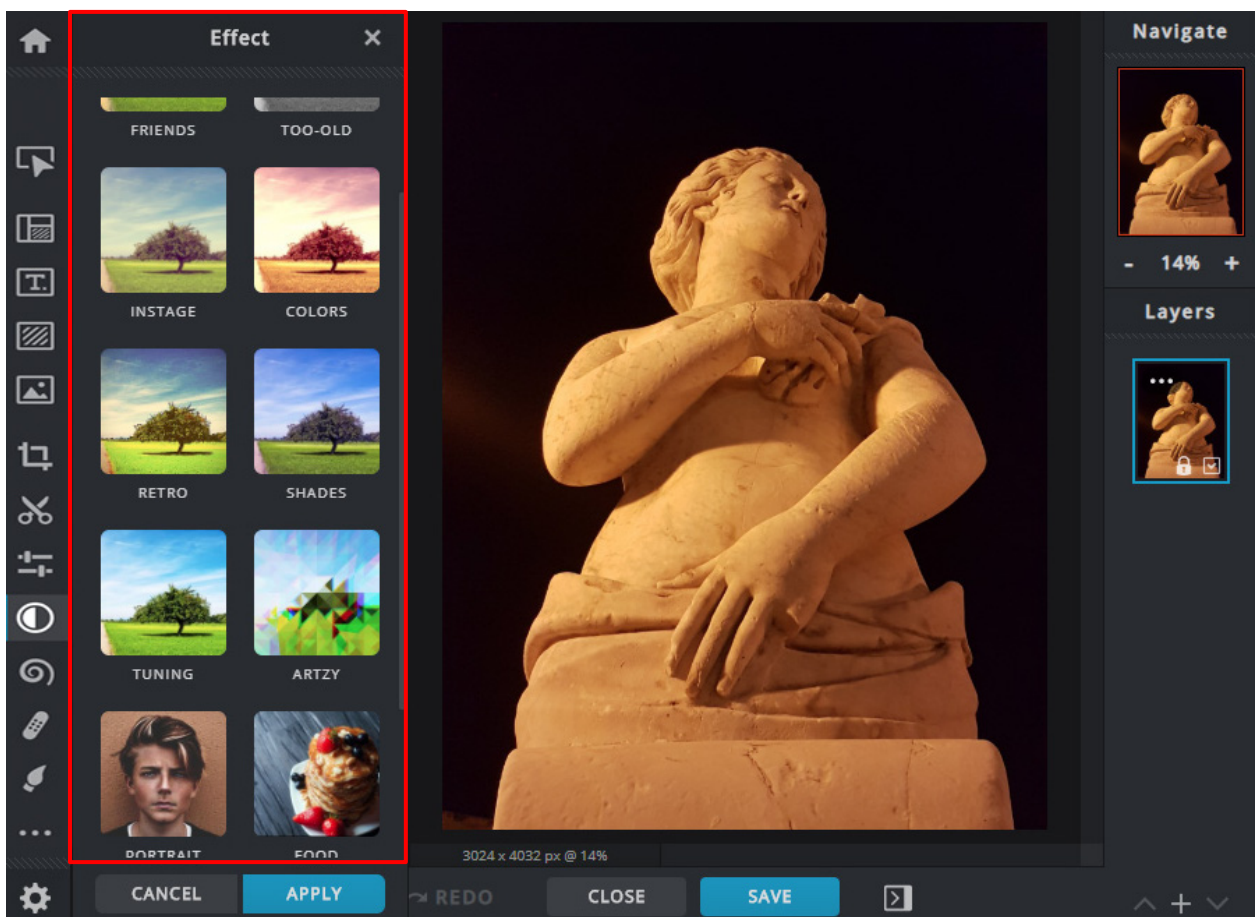
How to use the EFFECT tool

- Open your image.

- Click on the icon **EFFECT**



- You can see now different filter groups.



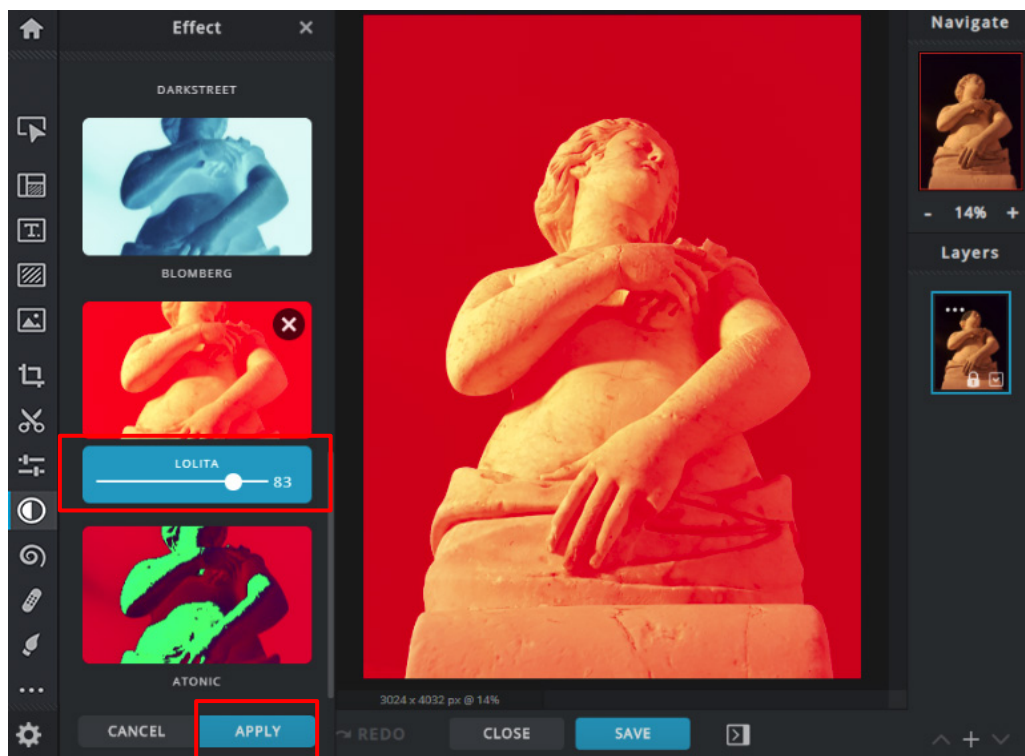
- Click on a picture of filter group to see different effects.

- Click on the effect to see the preview of how the effect changes the image.

You can see the slider bar under the effect picture.

The slider bar helps you to adjust how much effect works on your image.

- Move the circle on the slider bar to regulate the effect.



- Click on **APPLY** to add the effect on your picture.

- Click on **CANCEL** if you do not want to add the effect on your picture.

Text editing

Use the text tool if you want to add some text to your image.

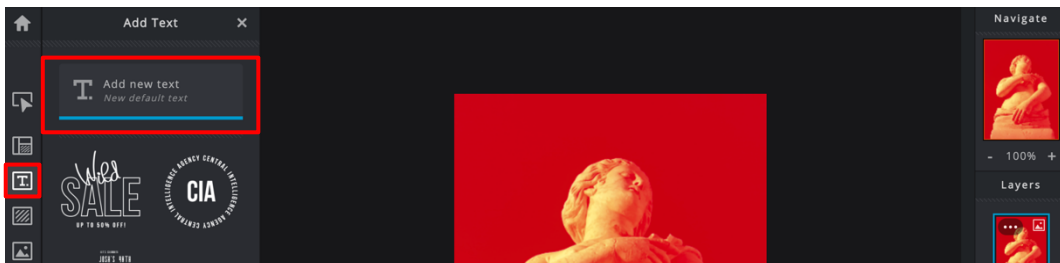
How to use the text tool:

- Open the photo.

- Click on the icon **ADD TEXT**

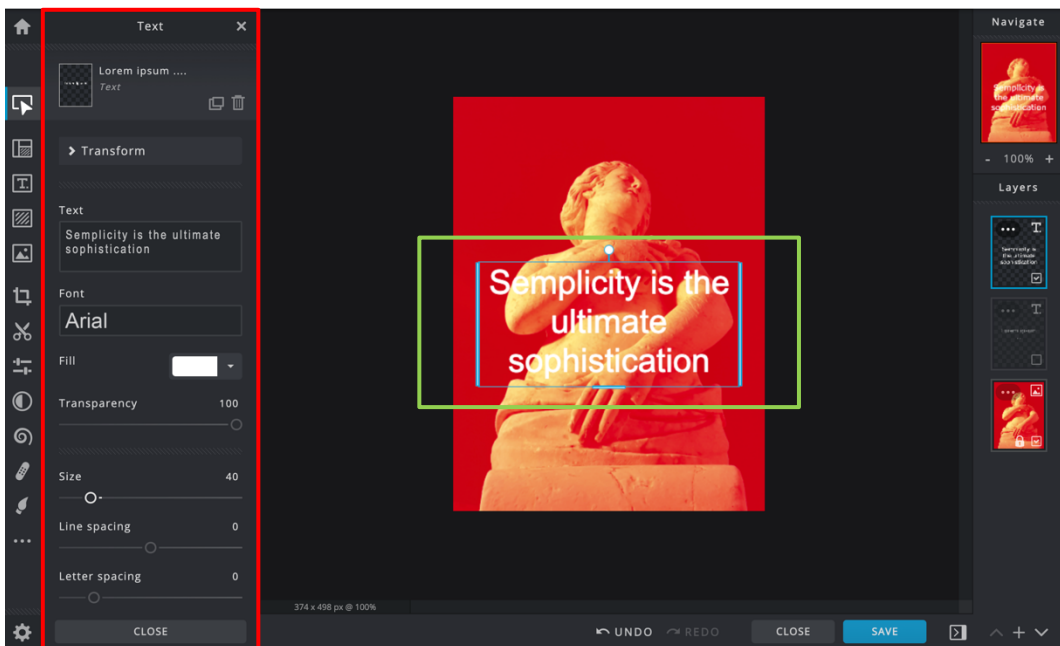


- Click on **Add new text**.

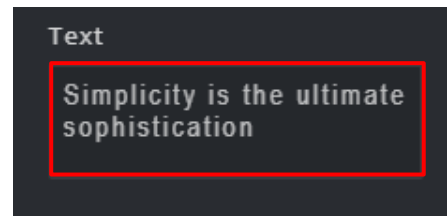


You can see the drop-down menu and text area.

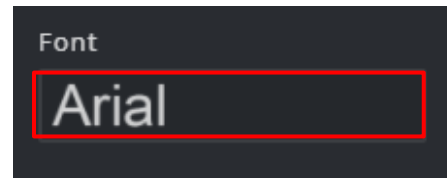
- Move the text area with your cursor to the wanted place.



- Replace the prewritten text with your own in the **Text** box.



- Choose a new font clicking on the **Font** box.

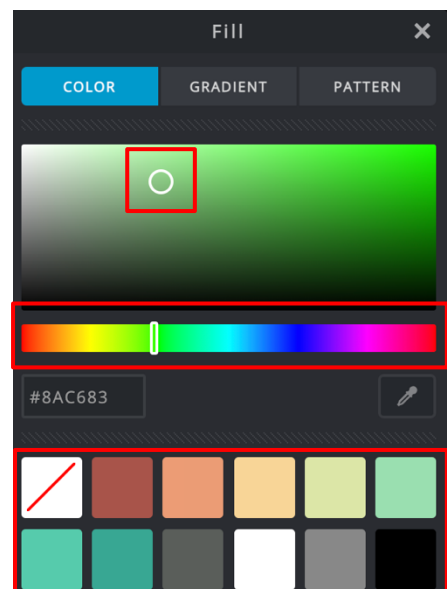


- Select a color for your text clicking on the **Fill** box.



Click the colored rectangle to bring up the color palette.

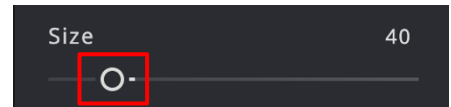
You can use the slider bar to choose a color or you can choose a color from the palette.



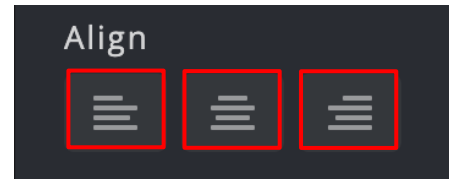
Click the color you want to use.

The text will change at the moment.

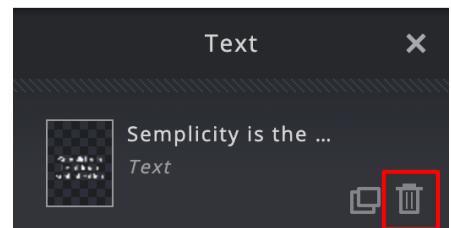
- Regulate the size to your text using the **Size** slider bar.



- Choose alignment clicking on the **Align** tools.



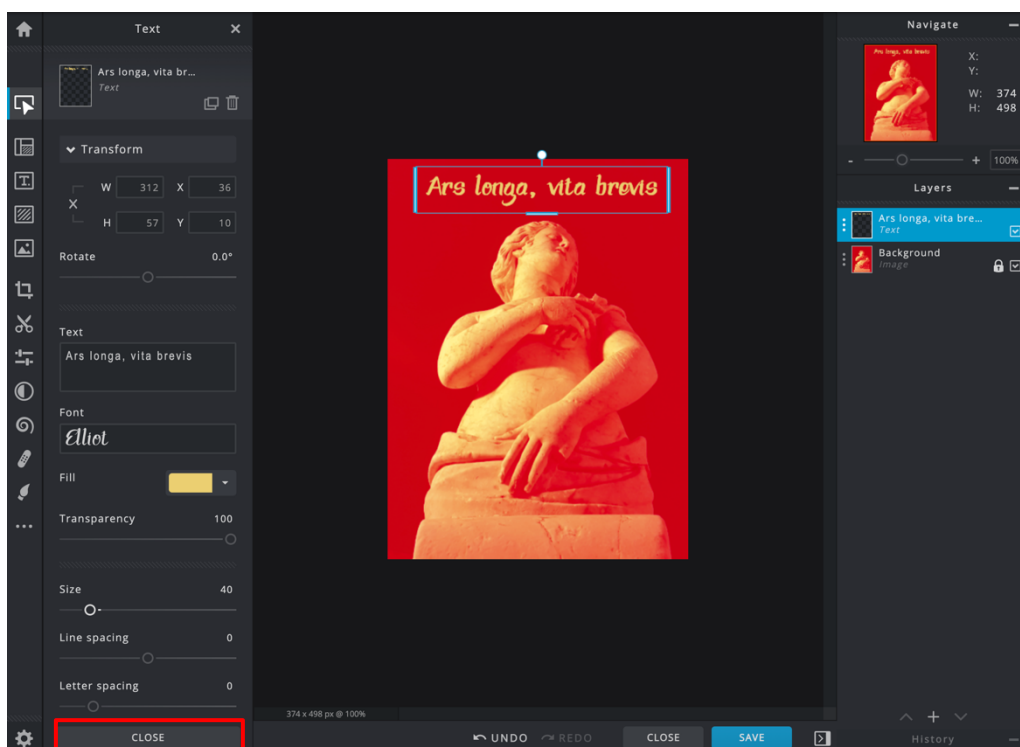
- You can cancel your text. Click the **DELETE** icon to cancel.



The DELETE icon is on the top of the Text tools.

- To keep your text, click on the button **CLOSE** under the Text tools to finish editing.

Here is the example of text editing in process.

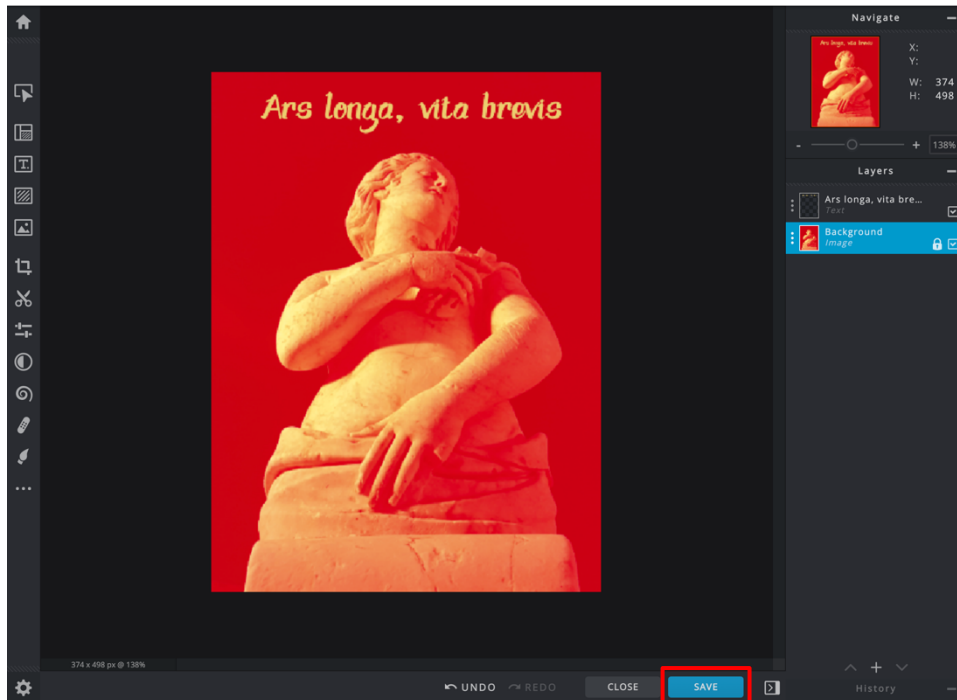


Saving and downloading

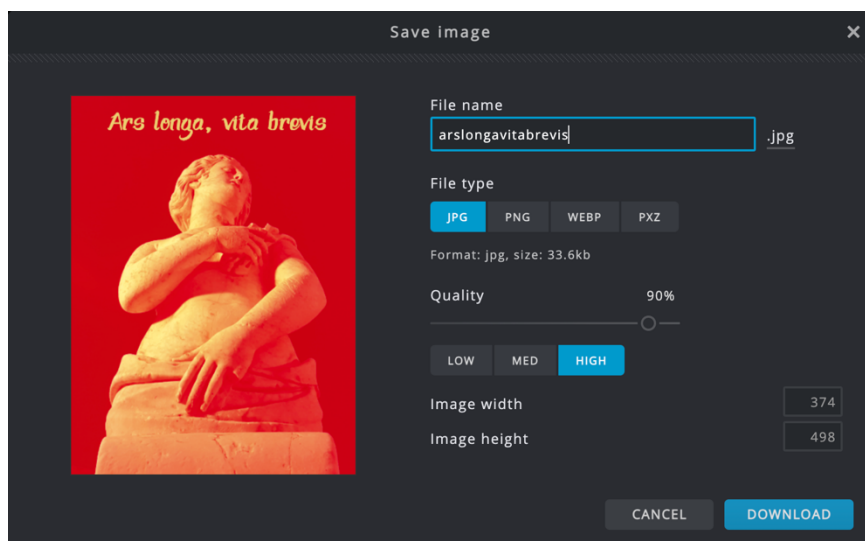
When you want to keep your edited image, you have to save and download it.

- Click on the **SAVE** button.

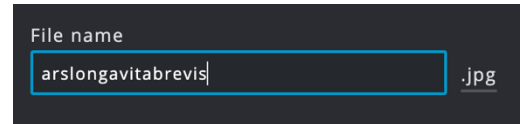
SAVE



A window will appear.

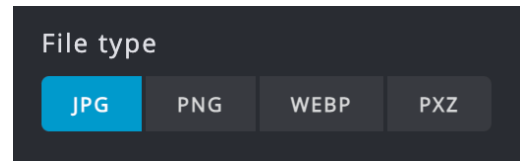


- Change the file name if you want.

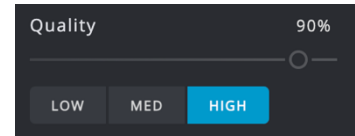


- Choose the file type.

The default **JPG** type is all good.



- Select **HIGH** quality to keep the image sharp and to make the image size larger.



- Click on the **DOWNLOAD** button.

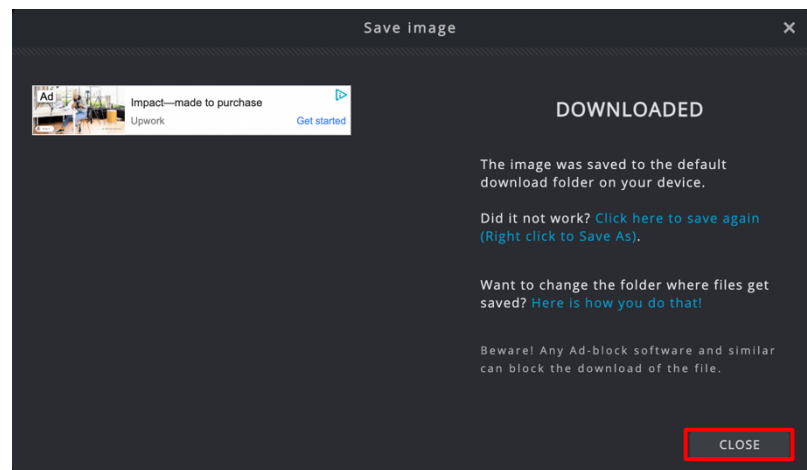


A window appears.

It lets you know

when your image

is downloaded.

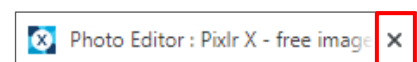


Your image is now saved to the default download folder in your computer.

This folder is usually named **Downloads**.

- Click on **CLOSE** to close the window.

- Click on the button **X** to close Pixlr X.



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