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Photoshop CS3



Photoshop CS4



Photoshop CS5



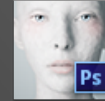
Photoshop CS6

	Photoshop CS3	Photoshop CS4	Photoshop CS5	Photoshop CS6
<b>Imaging magic</b>				
Content-Aware Patch				•
Content-Aware Move				•
All-new Crop tool				•
Skin tone-aware selections and masking				•
Improved auto-corrections				•
Adaptive Wide Angle				•
Content-Aware Fill			•	•
Puppet Warp			•	•
Content-Aware Scaling		•	•	•
<b>Maximum creativity</b>				
Intuitive video creation				•
Reengineered design tools				•
Layer search				•
Blur Gallery				•
Erodible brushes				•
Enhanced airbrush tips				•
Oil Painting filter				•
Scripted Patterns				•
Local corrections and Shadows and Highlights controls in the Adobe Camera Raw 7 plug-in				•
Lighting Effects Gallery with 64-bit support				•
Support for Photoshop companion apps			•	•
Tools for intelligent selections			•	•

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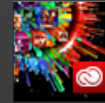
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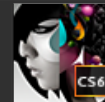
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Color decontamination for selections			•	•
Selection and mask refinement tools			•	•
Additive grain in Camera Raw			•	•
Noise removal in Camera Raw			•	•
Superior HDR imaging and HDR Toning			•	•
Mixer Brush			•	•
Bristle Tips			•	•
Automatic lens correction			•	•
Straighten Image tool			•	•
Post-crop vignetting			•	•
Fluid canvas rotation		•	•	•
Ultra-smooth zoom and pan		•	•	•
Extended depth of field		•	•	•
Creative content (shapes, styles, swatches, and so on)	•	•	•	•
Industry-leading color correction	•	•	•	•
Auto-alignment of layers	•	•	•	•
Auto-blending of images	•	•	•	•
<b>Peak performance</b>				
Adobe Mercury Graphics Engine*				•
Preset migration and sharing				•
Background Save				•
Auto-recovery				•
Modern user interface				•
10-bit deep color support				•
Support for 3D LUTs				•
Properties panel				•
Adobe Mini Bridge			•	•
Paste in Place			•	•
64-bit support †		•	•	•
Multitouch support ‡		•	•	•
Custom panels		•	•	•
Tabbed interface with self-adjusting panels	•	•	•	•
Adobe Photoshop Lightroom® integration	•	•	•	•
Powerful printing options	•	•	•	•
Broad file format support	•	•	•	•
Mobile device support	•	•	•	•
High-resolution web display	•	•	•	•
Powerful extensibility	•	•	•	•

\* Some GPU-enabled features are not supported on Microsoft® Windows® XP.

† Photoshop CS5 Extended and CS6 Extended: Mac OS and Windows; Photoshop CS4: Windows only

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


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