

# 6 tips to customize the Start Menu on Windows 11

Windows 11 is an operating system completely redesigned by Microsoft, with an interface of soft curved corners combined with a new Start Menu, bringing a more modern and beautiful look to your laptop.

Today, I will summarize tips to customize the Start Menu on Windows 11 for your convenience. Let's discover together!

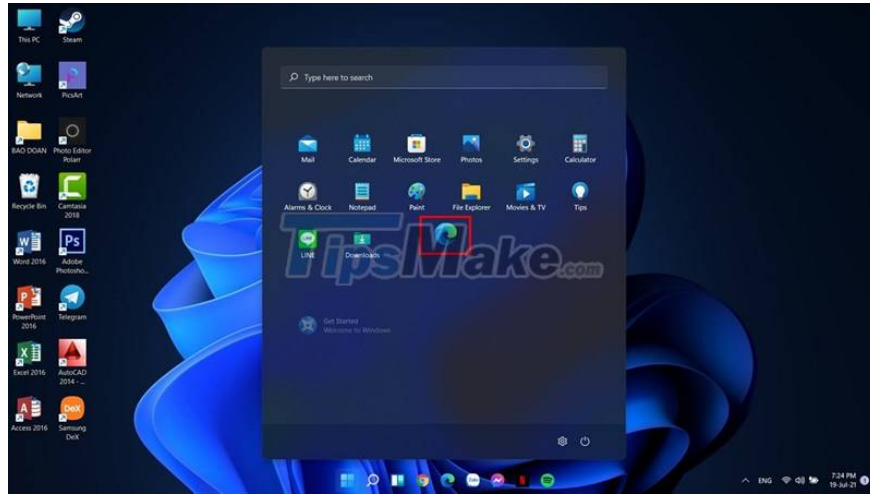
## 1. Rearrange app icons

You can change the order or rearrange the applications in the **Pinned** section to your liking, just by following these small steps:

**Step 1:** Open the **Start** program .



**Step 2:** Click and hold the icon then move it to the position you want. It's simple, right!



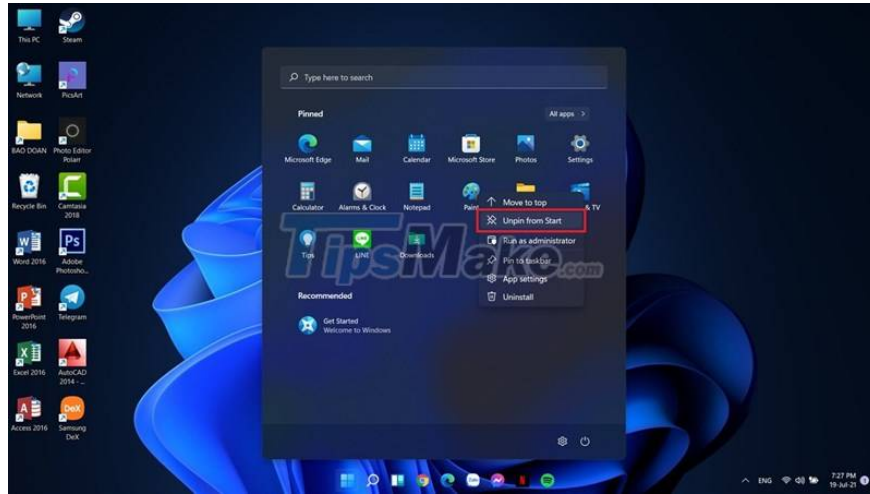
## 2. Remove or unpin apps

You can remove the apps you don't want to make room for other apps in the **Pinned** section by unpinning them with the operations below.

**Step 1:** Open the **Start** program .



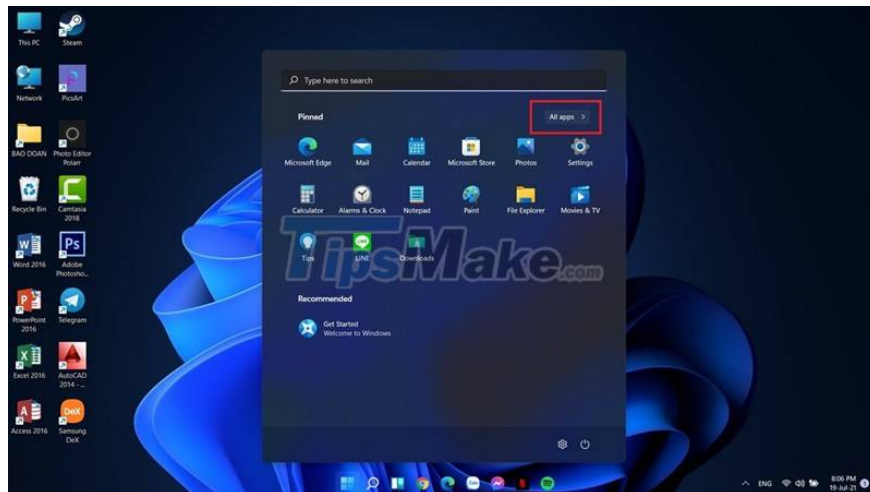
**Step 2:** Right-click the unwanted application and select **Unpin from Start** . The application will then disappear from the **Start Menu by itself** .



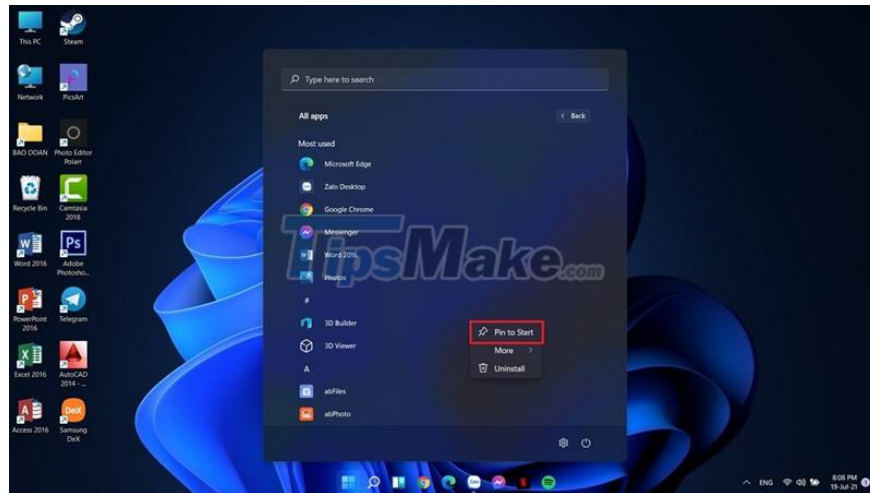
### 3. Pin apps to Start Menu

If you want quick access to apps or folders, pin them to the Start Menu. Proceed as follows.

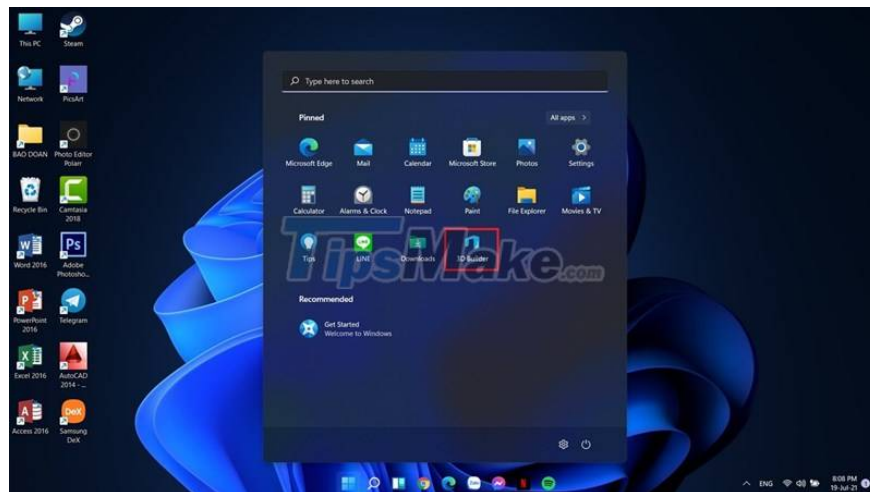
**Step 1:** Open **Start** and select **All apps** at the top right



**Step 2:** Right-click the application you want to pin to **Start** and select **Pin to Start**. So your application has been added to the **Pinned** section of the **Start Menu**.



**Step 3:** Then you will see the **3D builder** app icon on the menu.

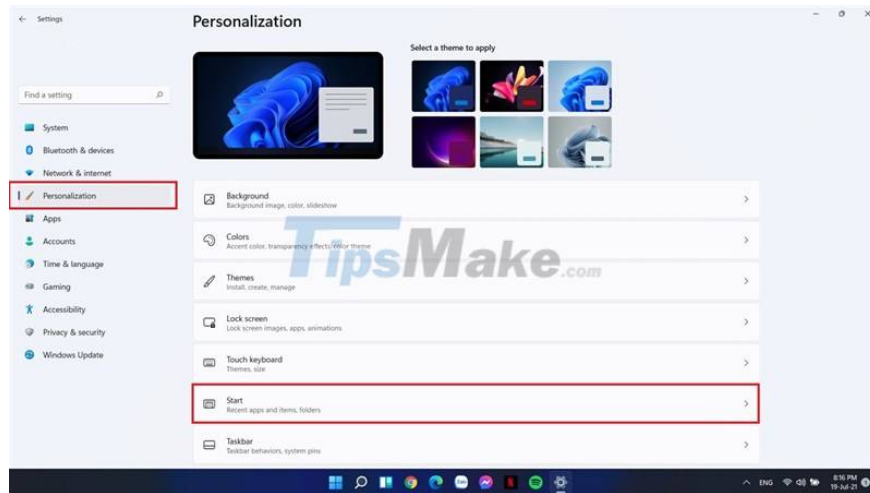


#### **4. Hide suggested files.**

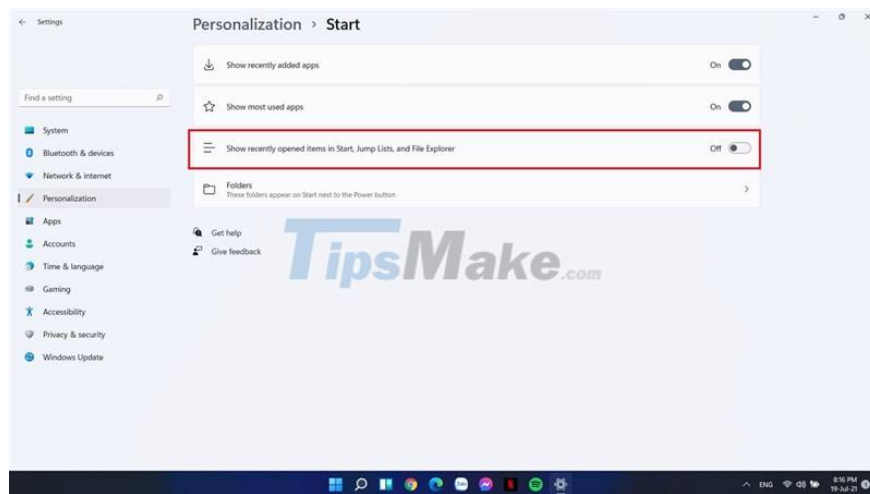
On the Start menu of Windows 11 there is a **Recommended** section . That section stores the most recently accessed apps or files. However, if you want to hide this section, follow these instructions.

**Step 1:** Press the **Windows + I** key combination to quickly open the **Settings** application .

**Step 2:** Select **Personalization**. Then select the **Start** item .



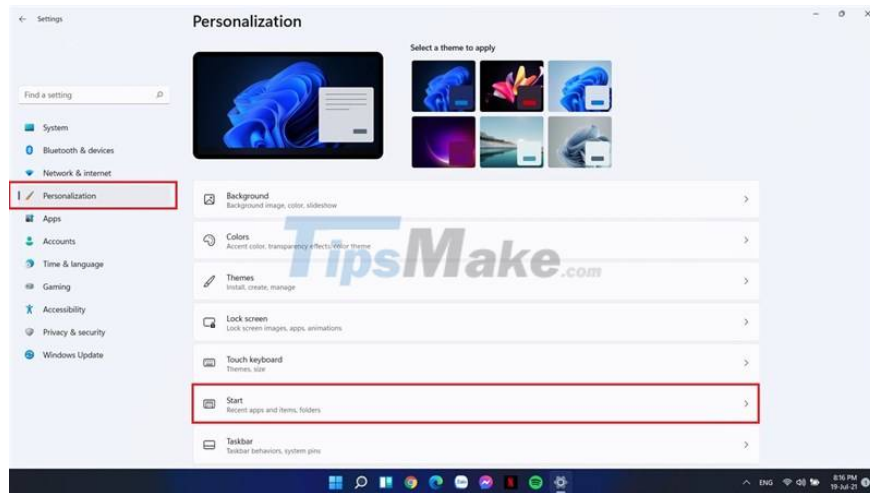
**Step 3:** In the **Start** section , turn off the option **Show recently opened items from Start, Jump Lists, and File Explorer.**



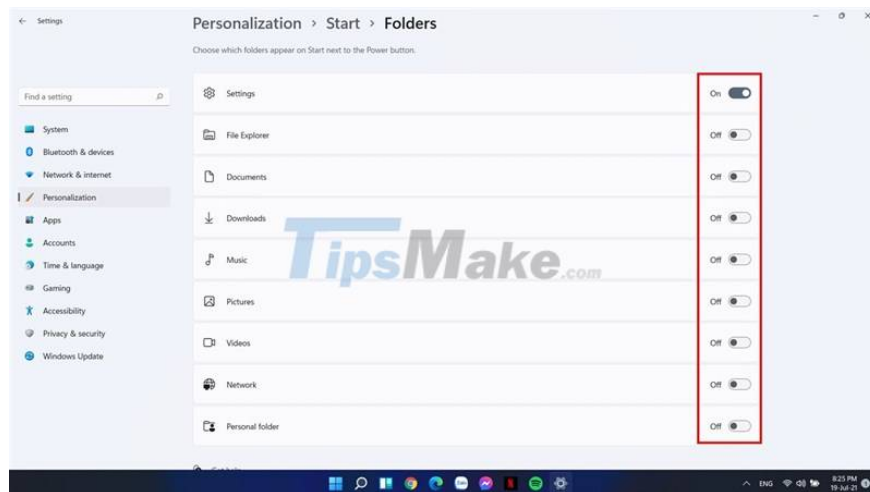
## 5. Add shortcuts to the Start Menu

Windows 11 allows you to add shortcuts like File Explorer, Setting,. to the bottom left position of the Start Menu. To do this, please do the following.

**Step 1:** Open **Settings** and select **Personalization**. Then select the **Start** item .



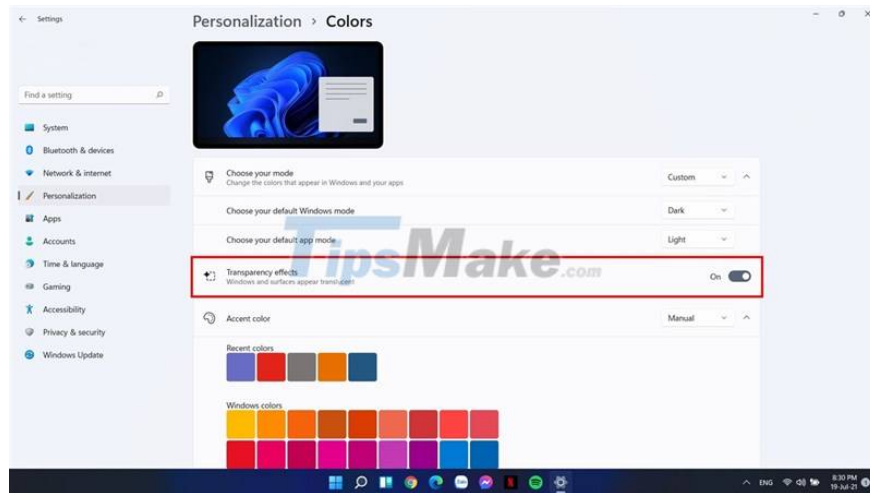
**Step 2:** Click on the **Folder** item and turn on the shortcuts you want.



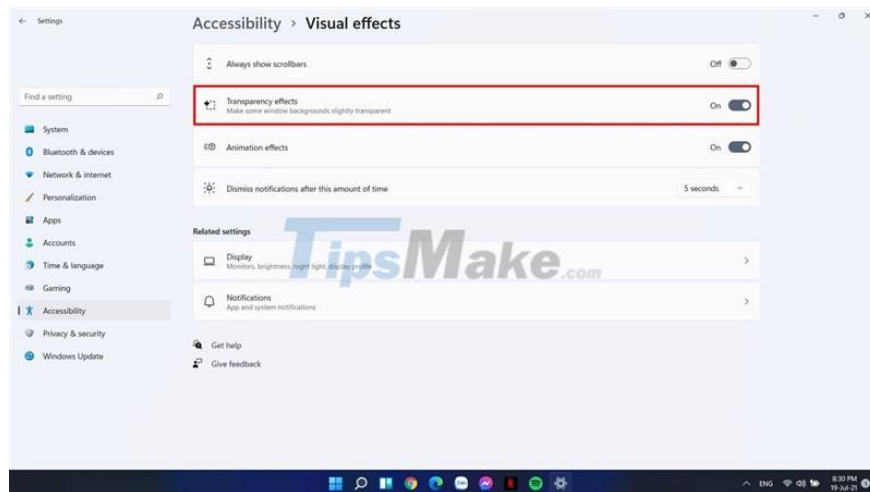
## 6. How to toggle the Transparency effect

You can enable or disable transparency effects for applications on Windows 11 in one of two ways.

**Method 1:** Open **Settings > Personalization > Color > turn off Transparency effects.**



**Method 2:** Open **Settings > Accessibility > Visual effects > turn off Transparency effects.**



Good luck. Hope the above tips will be helpful to you.

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