

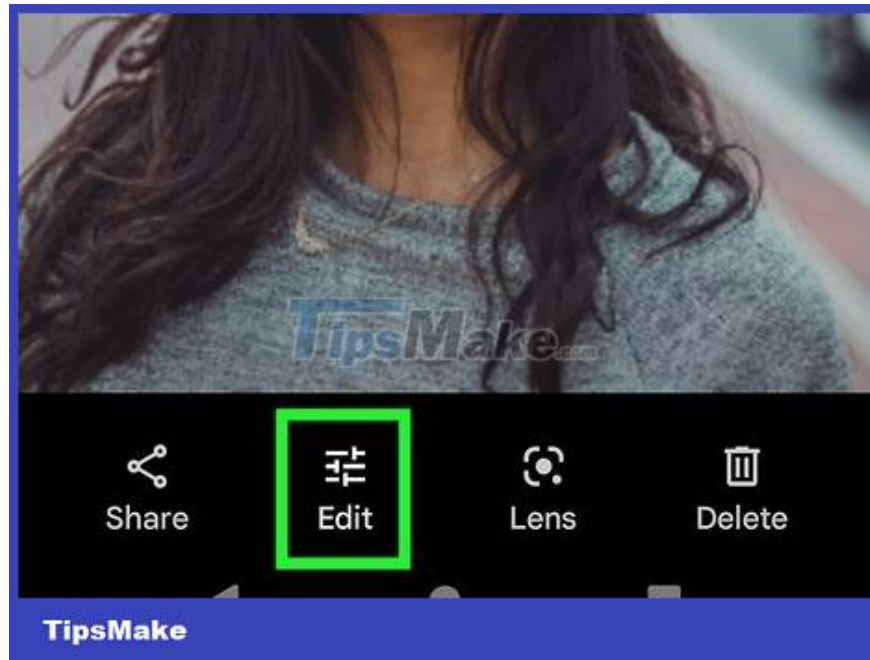
How to Edit JPG Photos

This is an article showing how to edit JPG photos using mobile applications and computer software. The best photo editing app on mobile devices is Google's Snapseed (available on Android and iPhone), but you might not want to download a new app. In this case, you can use the default photo app on Android, called Google Photos. For iPhone and iPad, you can use the Photos app for basic photo editing. For computers, you can easily edit photos with photo editing software like GIMP, unless you have a paid subscription or have purchased Adobe Photoshop. GIMP and Photoshop software have the same functionality; Although this article introduces the free GIMP software, you can still perform the same steps using Photoshop.

Use Google Photos for Android

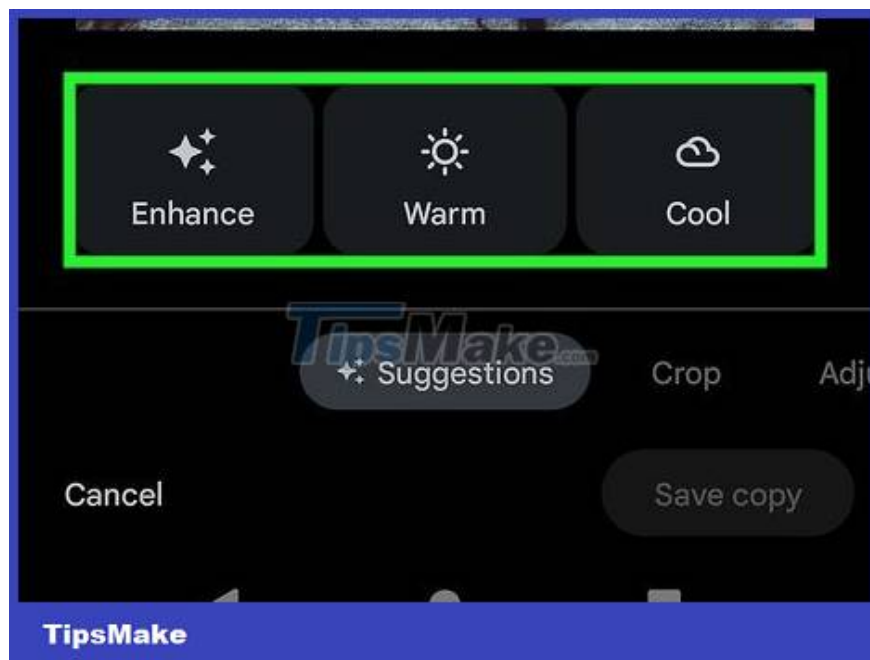


Open Google Photos. This is an application with a multicolored pinwheel icon. You can find the app on one of your home screens, in the app drawer, or by searching.



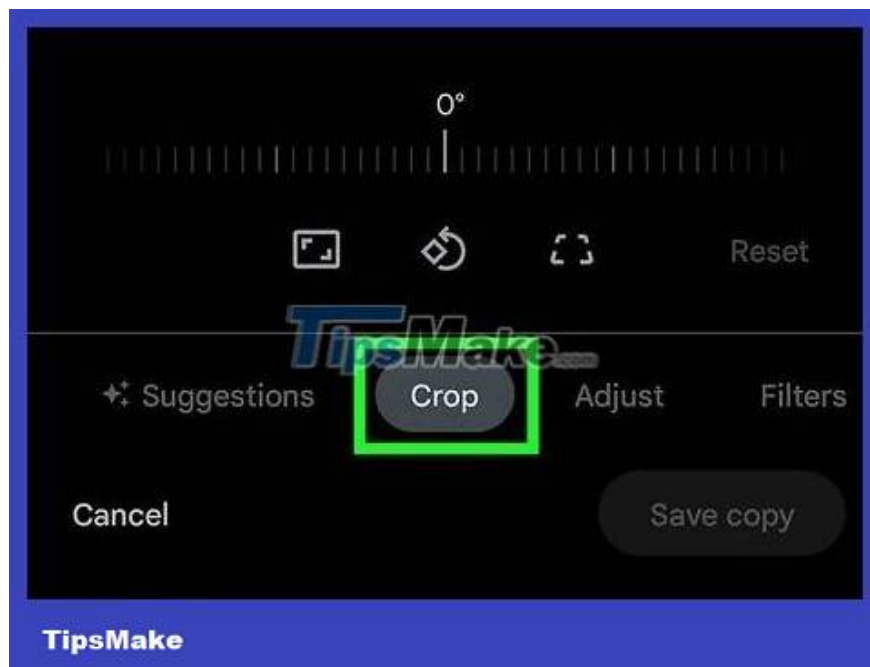
Tap Edit . This is the button at the bottom of the screen with the filter icon.

If you see a colorful "1" in the corner of the thumbnail, you'll need a paid Google One subscription to access it.



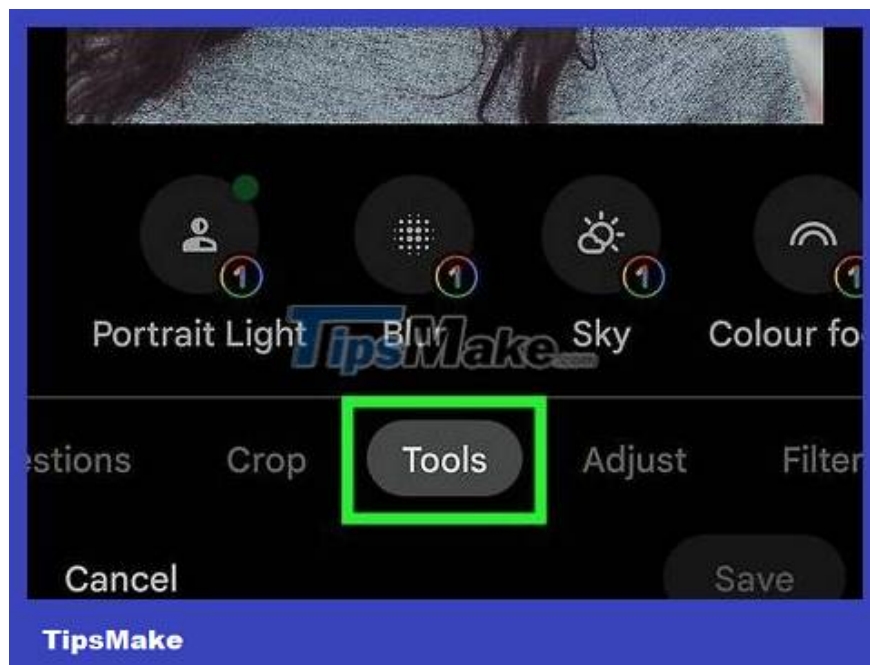
Browse suggested filters. The filter used for the photo will be blue.

The Suggested filter appears by default when you tap **Edit** . If you don't see a suggested filter, tap *Suggested* near the bottom of the screen.



Tap Crop . This option appears next to *Suggestions* near the bottom of the screen and lets you crop, skew, or rotate the photo.

Tap **Done** after you adjust the settings to your liking.



Tap Tools . The available tools displayed here depend on your phone, but you'll have the option to edit *Portrait light* , *Blur* , *Sky* , and *Color focus* (*Color*). Each tool helps enhance the artistry of your photo, but if you don't have one, you can still achieve the same effect by adjusting other settings.

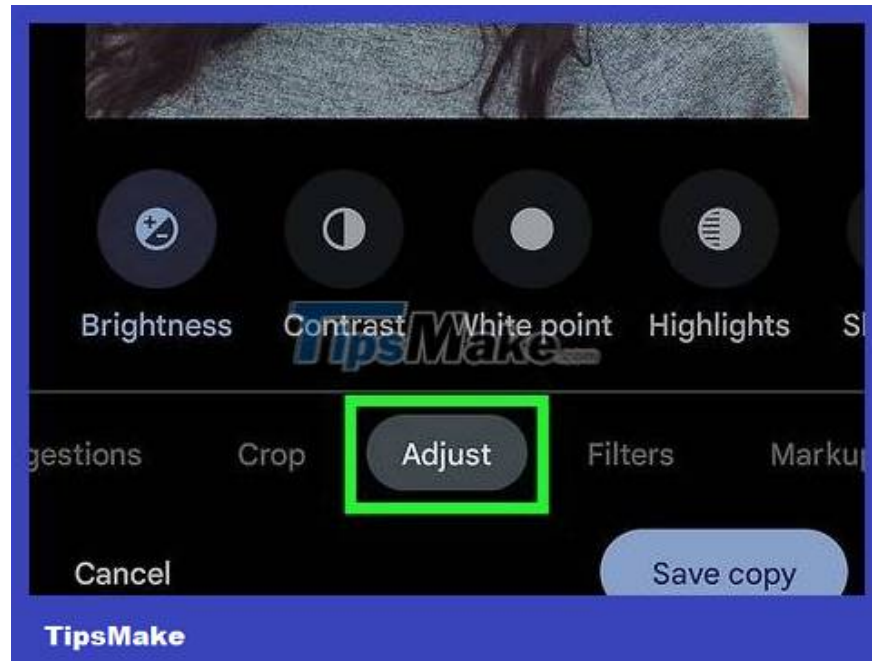
Portrait light adjusts the brightness and position of light on portrait photos.

Blur adjusts the blurred background.

Sky allows you to select various sky color palettes and adjust sky color/contrast.

Color focus allows you to reduce the saturation of the background but still keep the foreground color layer to add a strong effect.

Tap **Done** after you adjust the settings to your liking.



Tap Adjust . Depending on the phone, you can also adjust *Depth* , *Brightness* , *Contrast* , *White point* , *Black point* , *Highlights* .), *Shadows* , *Saturation* , *Warmth* , *Tint* , *Skin tone* , *Blue tone* , *Pop* , *Sharpen* (Sharpness), *Denoise* (Noise Reduction), *Vignette* (Vignetting Effect) and *HDR* .

The icon and text will turn blue to indicate that the default setting has been changed in the adjustment tool.

Depth allows you to change the depth of the image and blur other areas that are not in view.

Brightness , **Contrast** , **White point** , **Black point** , **Highlights** , and **Shadows** all allow you to change the lighting settings to increase or decrease the effect of your photo.

Saturation , **Warmth** , and **Tint** are settings that adjust the amount of color you want to highlight in your photo.

Skin tone allows you to adjust the saturation of skin tones.

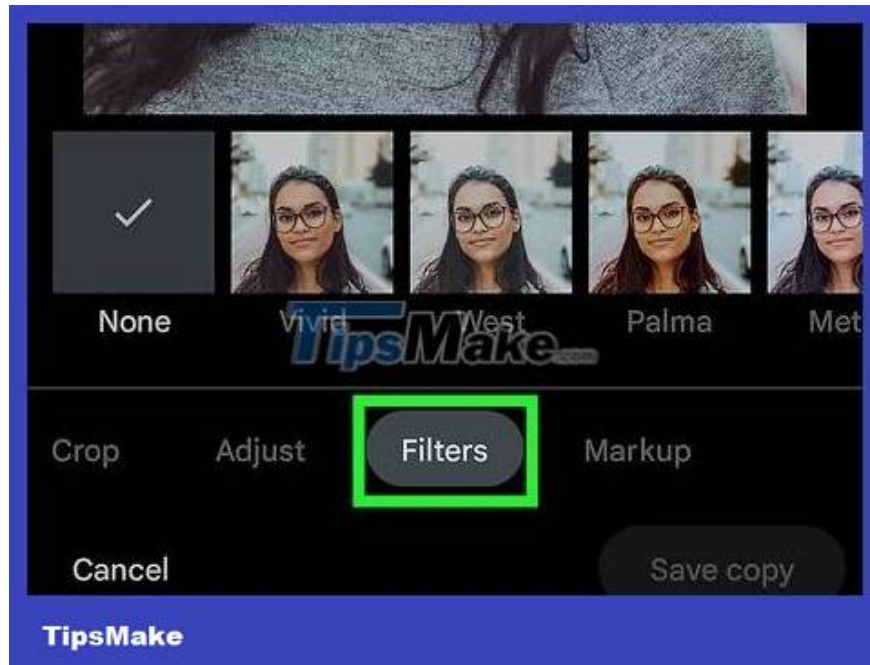
Blue tone changes the saturation of blue tones, such as water or sky.

Pop , **Sharpen** and **Denoise** allow you to increase or decrease the outline of objects in your photo to make them clearer and/or blurrier.

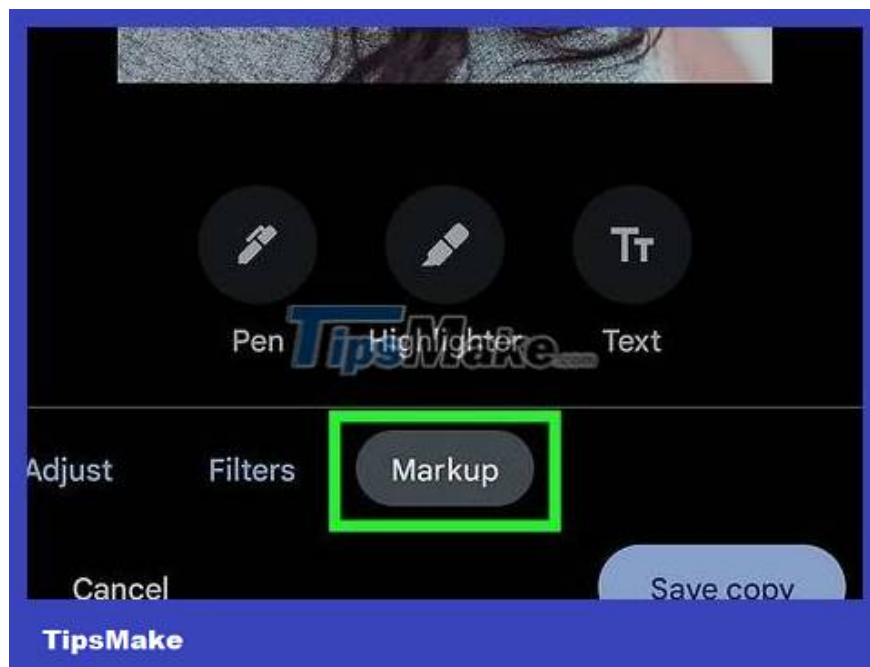
Vignette allows you to reduce the brightness around the edges of your photo to create the effect of an old photo.

HDR allows you to increase the brightness and contrast of your photo for a more balanced look.

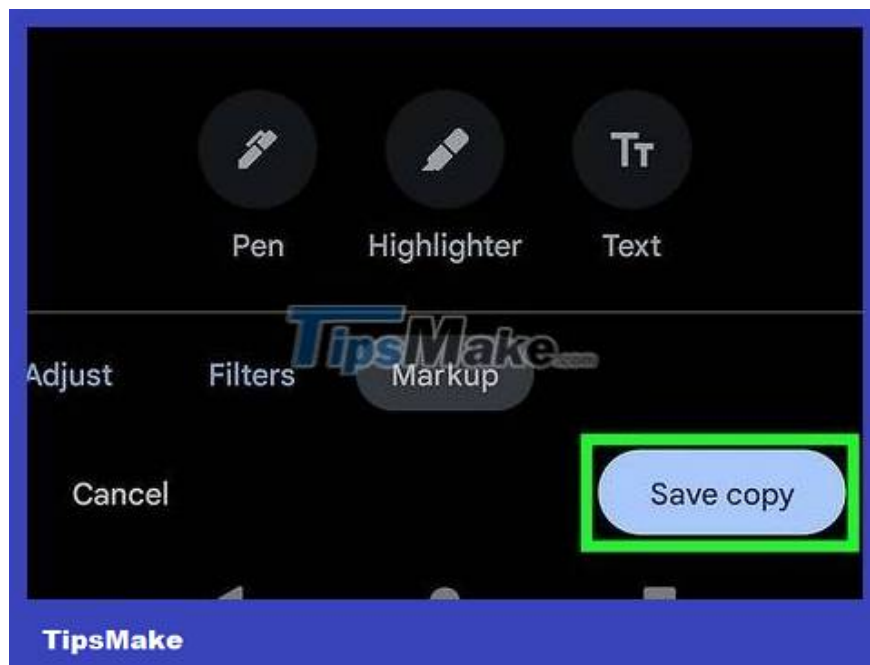
Tap **Done** after you adjust the settings to your liking.



Tap Filters . Tap a filter to see the photo with a different setting, then tap it again to change the filter's strength. Finally, tap **Done** to save changes and continue.



Tap Markup . This is the area that allows you to draw, highlight, and add text to the image. Tap **Done** after you adjust the settings to your liking.

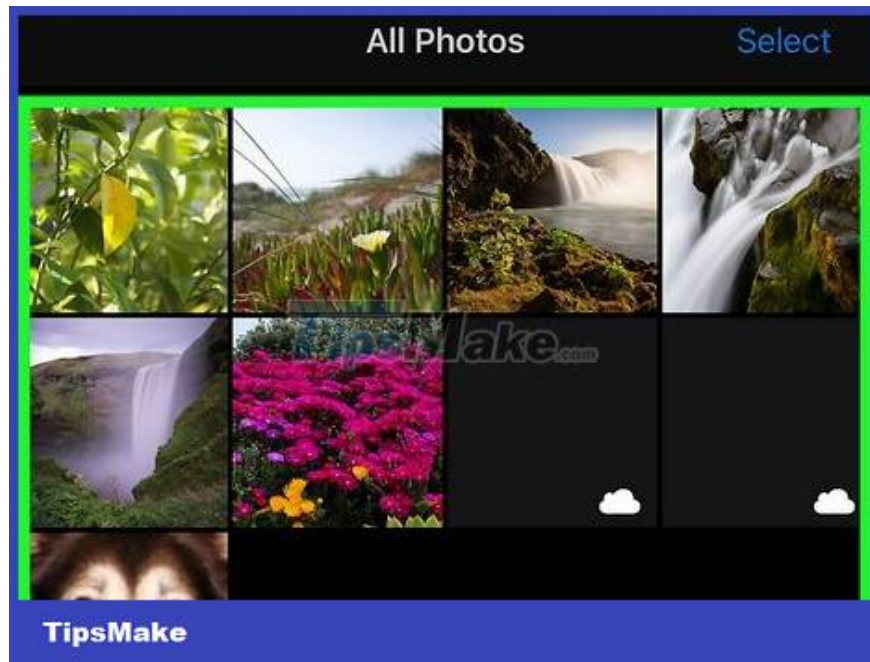


Tap Save . This is the save editing operation. To use other editing tools, tap **More** to see other apps you can download and use for advanced photo editing.

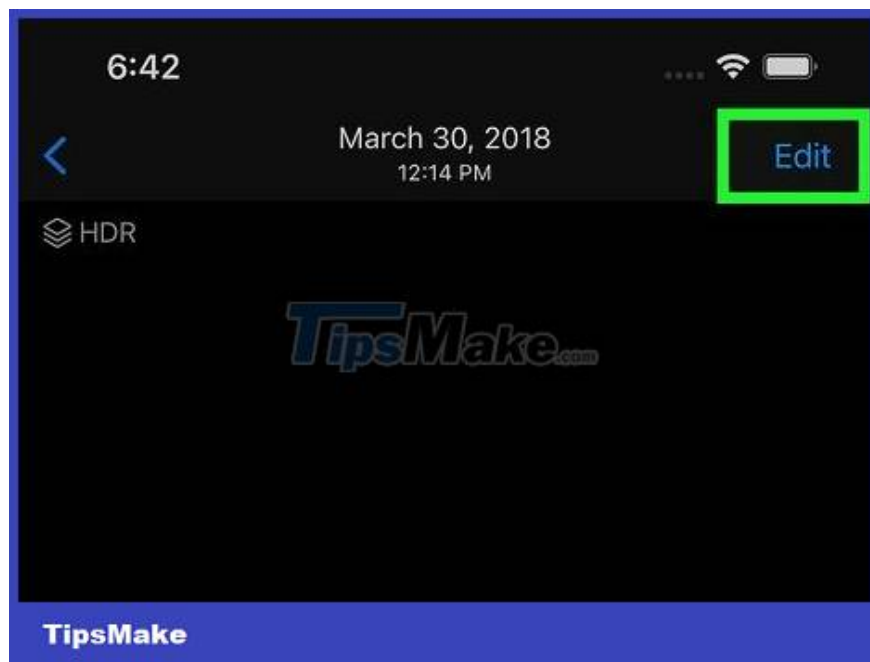
Use Photos on iPhone or iPad



Open Photos. This is an app with a multicolored flower icon that can be found on one of the home screens.



Tap on the photo you want to edit. This opens the full-screen interface.



Tap Edit . This is the option in the top right corner of the screen.



Touch . You'll see a magic wand icon below the photo preview.

After you tap this icon, your iPhone or iPad will automatically edit the photo.



Browse the icons below the photo preview and edit as desired. These icons will change the exposure, luminance, and highlight settings in the photo.

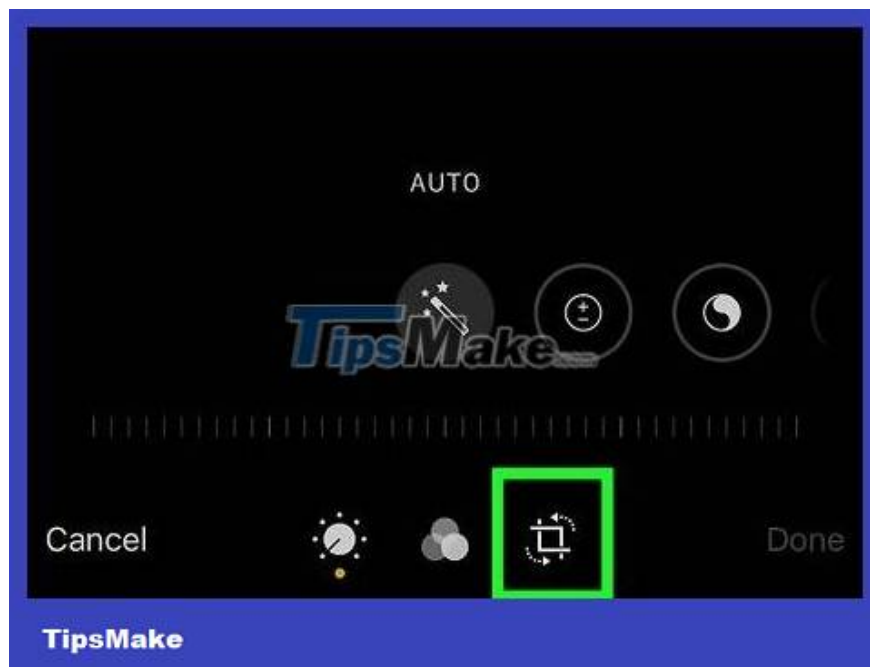
After you tap an icon, drag the slider left or right to decrease or increase the effect.

Brightness allows you to adjust brightness settings to increase or decrease the highlights of your photo.

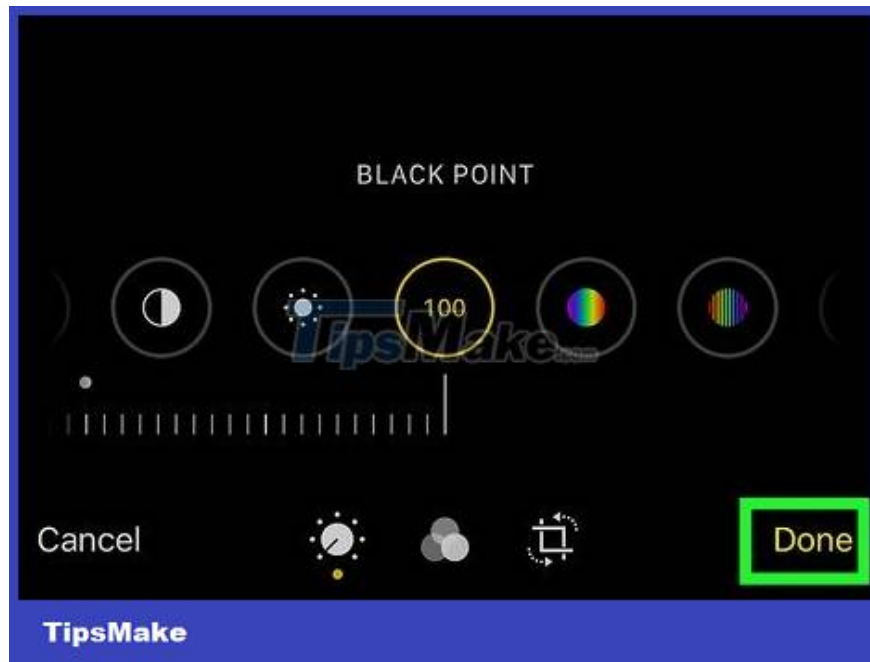
Highlights let you change the amount of detail you can see in the dark and light areas of your photo.



Touch . This is the three-circle icon in the bottom center of the screen and allows you to choose various filters for your photo.

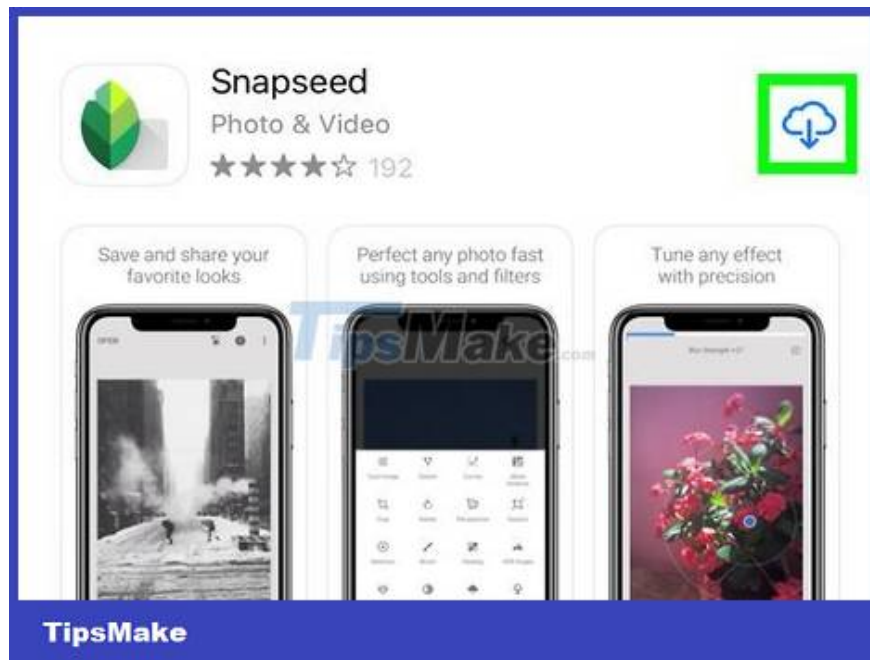


Touch . You'll see the crop icon near the bottom right corner of the screen. You can crop, rotate, and flip photos with this option.



Tap Done . This is the save editing operation. If you don't like the changes you just made, you can tap **Revert** to discard all edits.

Use Snapseed on mobile devices



Download the JPG photo editing app. You can find many free editing apps on the Google Play Store or App Store, including Snapseed, PicsArt, VSCO, and Adobe Photoshop Express (with limited free features).

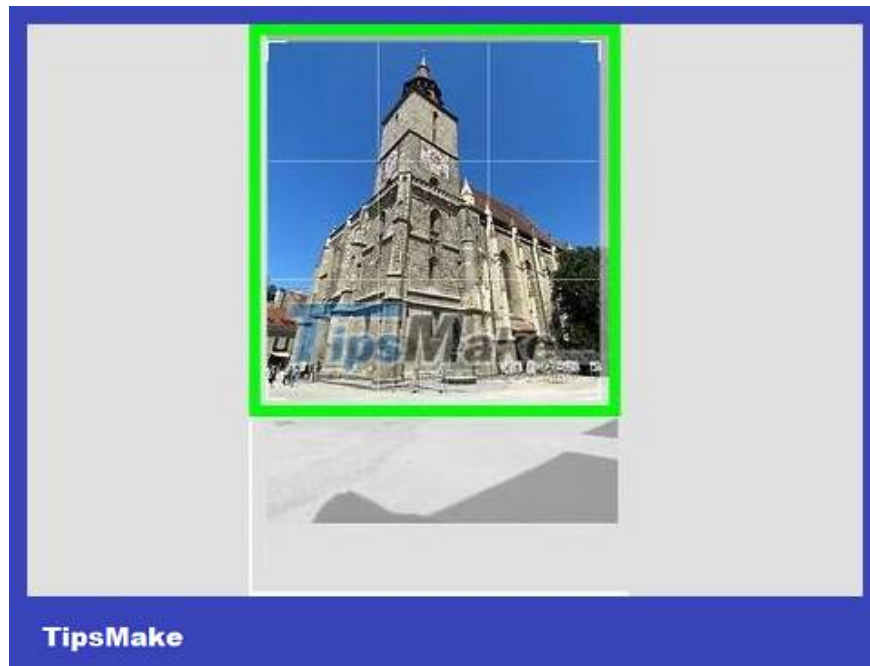


Open a photo editing application. After you download and install a photo editing app from the App Store or Google Play Store, tap the app on the home screen or app menu to open it.

For some apps, you'll need to grant permission to access your phone or tablet's storage before continuing.



Open the JPG image. Most of these apps have a + sign for you to tap and access the camera roll. After you open your camera roll, tap the JPG photo to open it in the photo editor.



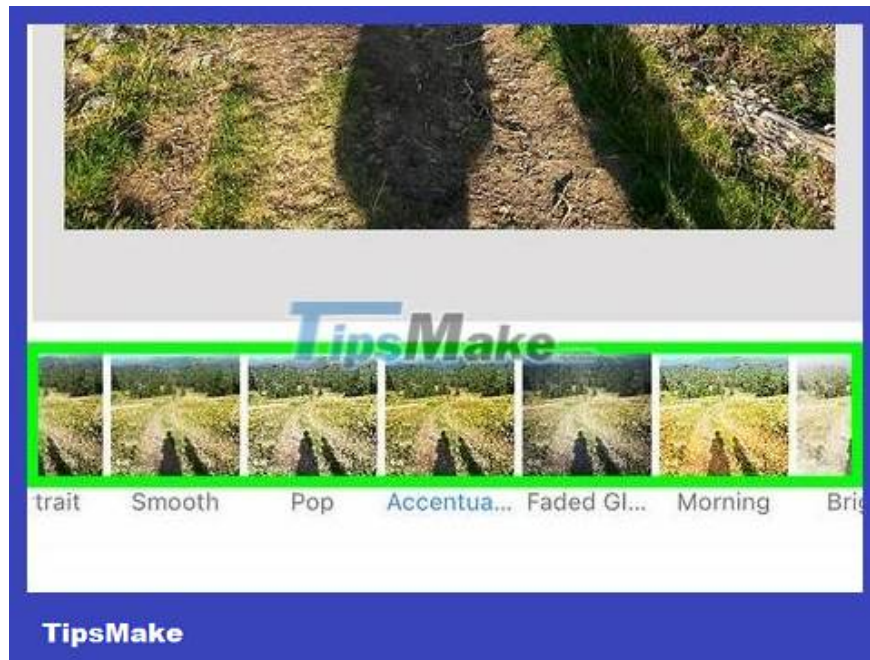
Edit JPG images to your liking. Since each app usually has different settings and operations, your best solution is to tap on the options in the app and explore the menus. While most basic editing tools are free, features with padlock or dollar icons require a fee to unlock.

Cropping is an effective way to highlight the subject in a photo by cutting out part of the background. The cutting tool usually has an icon of two right angles forming a square. To crop a photo, you'll select the crop tool and drag the corner of the photo inward so that the subject of the photo is in the middle of the pale area. All that's left is to tap the icon to confirm the change.

When you use Snapseed, you'll find this option and many other editing features under the *Tools* tab .

Some apps let you adjust the saturation, or color intensity, in your photo. Increasing the saturation of a photo can bring out the colors and make the photo more eye-catching. However, high saturation can make photos look harsh and almost cartoonish. You can adjust saturation to highlight certain areas of the image by using the slider to increase or decrease the saturation.

In photography, exposure refers to the amount of light in an image. If the photo is too dark, you need to increase the exposure. If you want a darker photo, reduce the exposure. You can drag the slider to increase or decrease the exposure.



Try using a filter (instead of adjusting everything manually). Most photo editing applications provide many filters to help users perform editing operations. Look for cards or icons below or above the photo preview to see elements that can be adjusted using the app in use. Most photo editing apps display filters as thumbnail previews at the bottom of the screen. You will touch the thumbnail to preview the effect on the photo. Look for a slider or icon with a slider that you can use to adjust the filter's strength.

In Snapseed, this option shows up in the *Looks* tab .



Save Image. Tap the check mark or the Done button **to** save the photo. In Snapseed, you can also tap *Export* to share the edited JPG photo with others.

Use software on your computer (such as GIMP)



GIMP for Windows

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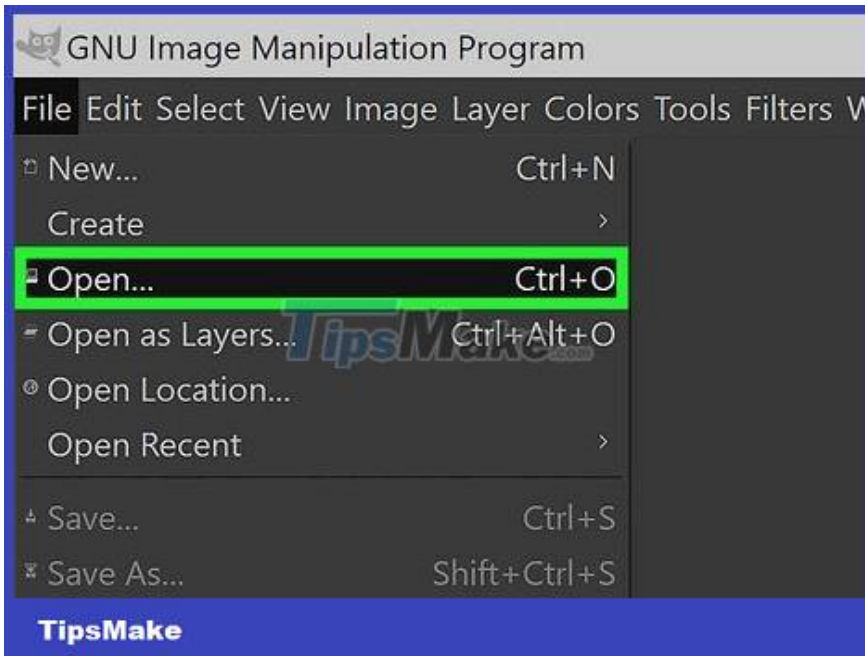
Warnings and information

- These links download the official GIMP installer for Windows (~200 MB). The installer contains both 32-bit and 64-bit versions of GIMP, and will automatically use the appropriate one.
- BitTorrent is a peer-to-peer file sharing system. It works by downloading GIMP from a distributed network of BitTorrent users, and may improve download speed dramatically. Choosing this option will download the torrent file for the GIMP installer. You may need to install a torrent client to make use of this file. [Learn more...](#)

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Download photo editing software. You can do basic editing with programs like MS Paint or Photos (for Windows) and Photos (for Mac), but if you want your photos to look more impressive, you should use advanced photo editing software. High. Adobe Photoshop is the standard software that supports professional photo editing, but you don't need to pay an Adobe subscription fee for advanced photo editing.

GIMP is free open source photo editing software that has many of the same tools as Photoshop and can be downloaded for free.



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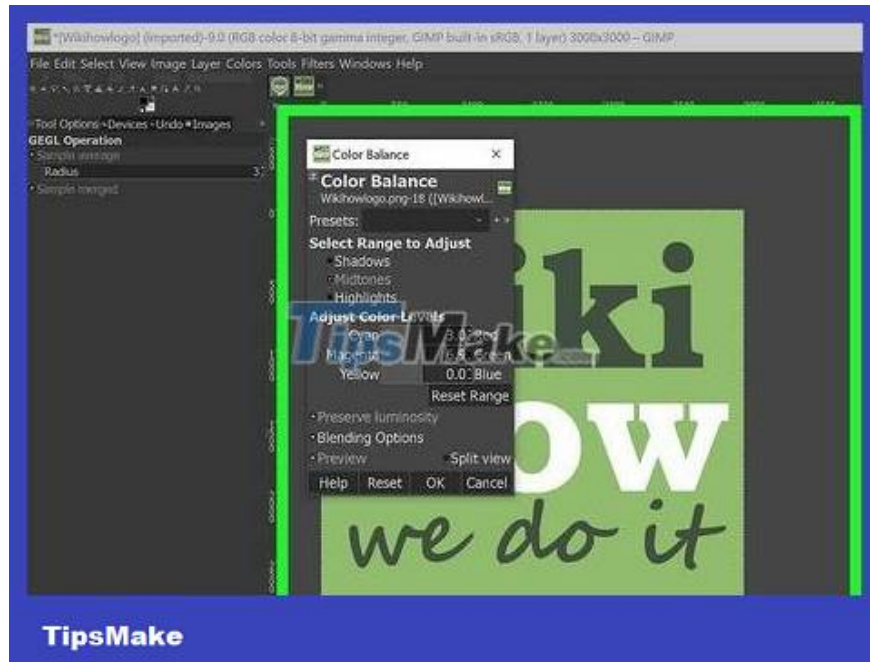
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Open the JPG image in editing software, such as GIMP. If the software doesn't display an *Import* or *Open* button, you can always go to **File** > **Open**. This will take you to the file manager to find and open the JPG image.



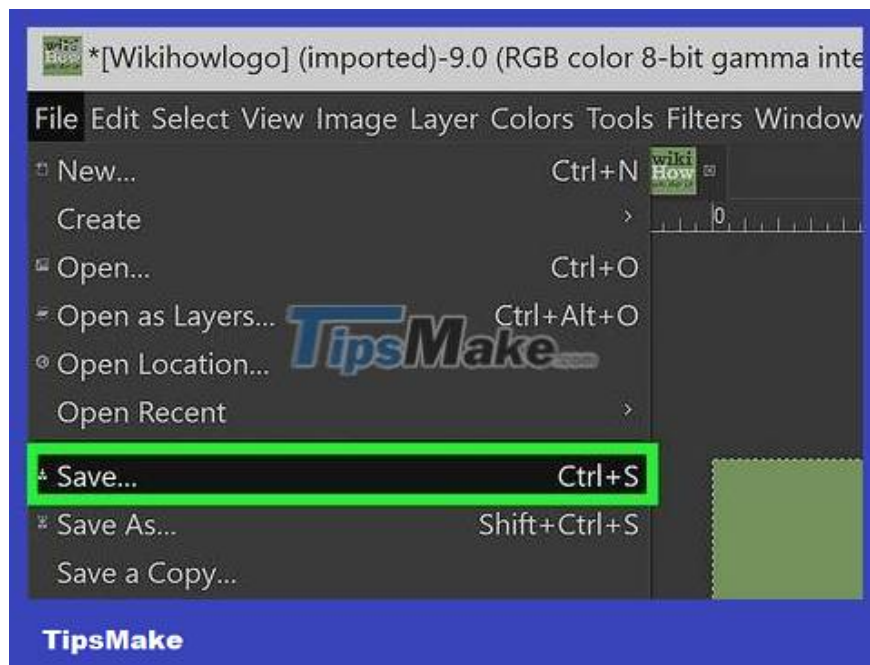
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If you want to resize a photo instead of cropping it, the resize feature is usually available in the *Edit* menu and allows you to adjust the size of the photo.

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Save Image. You can press the keyboard shortcut **Ctrl/Cmd + S** or click **File > Save/Save As** (File > Save/Save As).

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