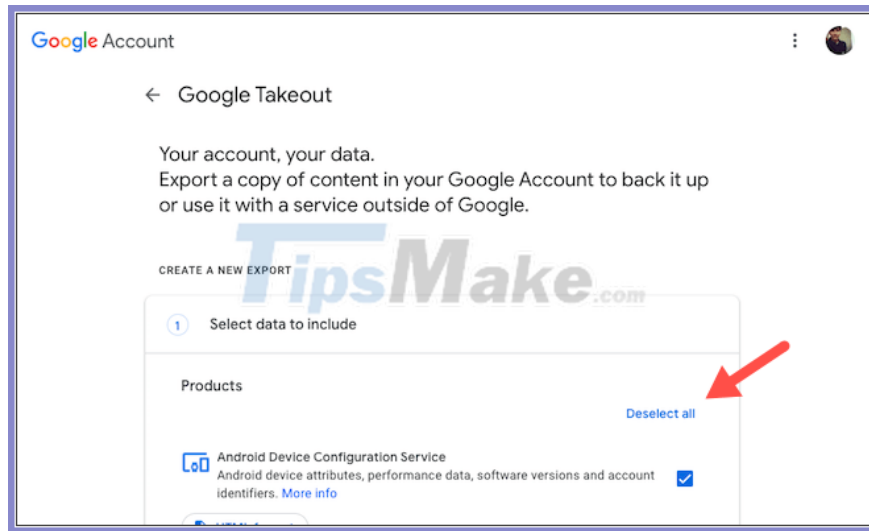


# How to export Google Photos library

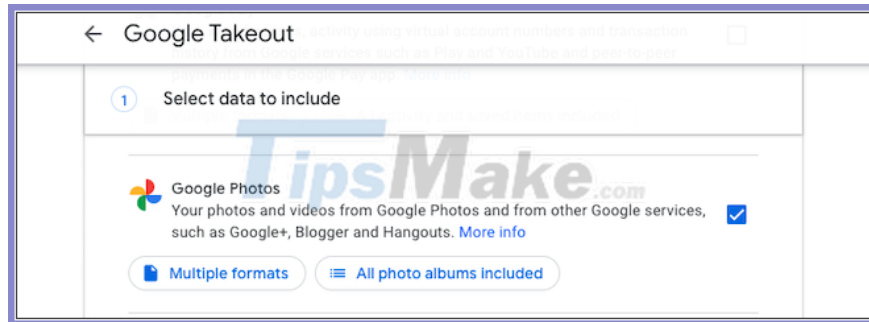
Google Photos keeps your photos and videos backed up online. But in case something goes wrong or to free up cloud space, you should still back up your Google Photos library locally periodically. Here's how to do that with Google's export tool, Takeout.

Visit the Google Takeout website and sign in to your Google account. Click the '**Deselect All**' button to export only media content from Google Photos and exclude the information from the rest of Google services.



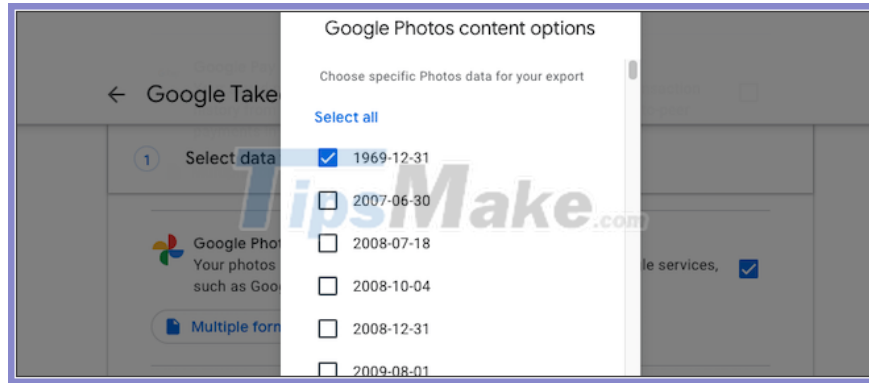
Click the 'Deselect All' button to export media content from Google Photos only

Scroll down to find '**Google Photos**' and check the box next to it.



Check 'Google Photos'.

With the '**All Photo Albums Included**' option, you can choose which albums you want to extract a copy of. By default, Takeout backs up all of your photo albums.



Select which album you want to extract a copy from

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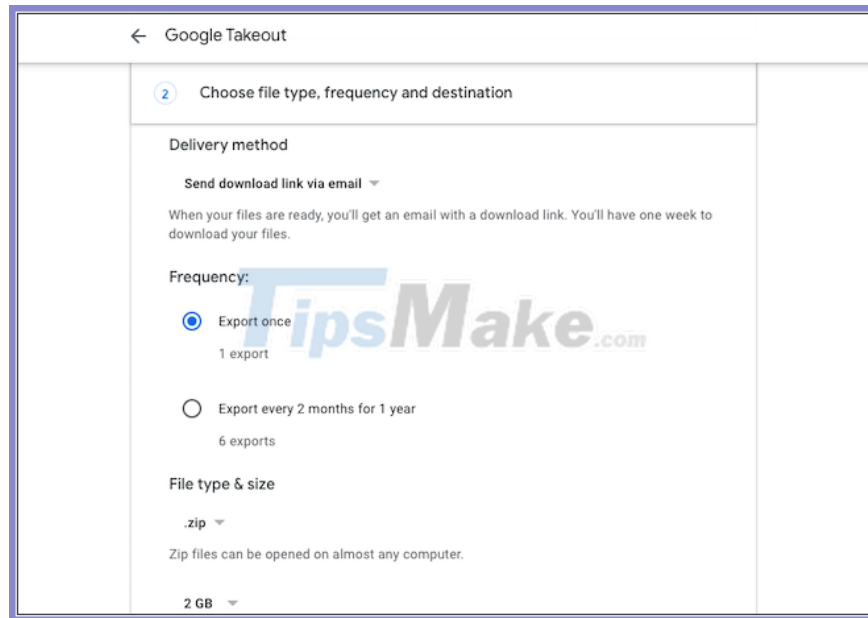
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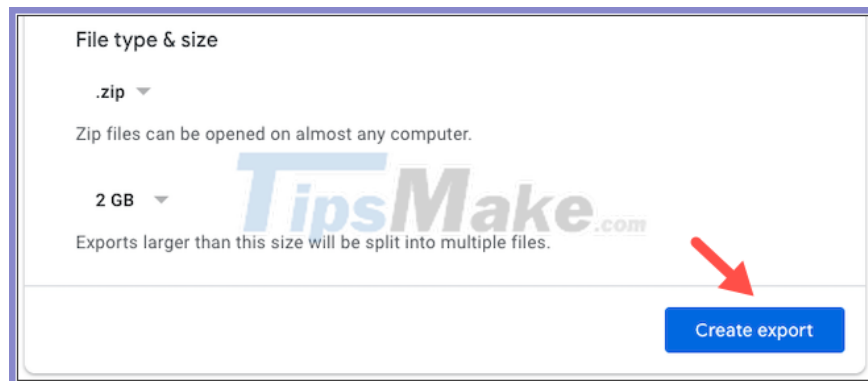
Here, Google allows you to personalize some aspects of the backup process. You can choose whether you want Google to save it to your favorite cloud storage or send it to you by email, as well as ask Google to automatically

export your Photos data every 2 months, setting the archive file type and size.



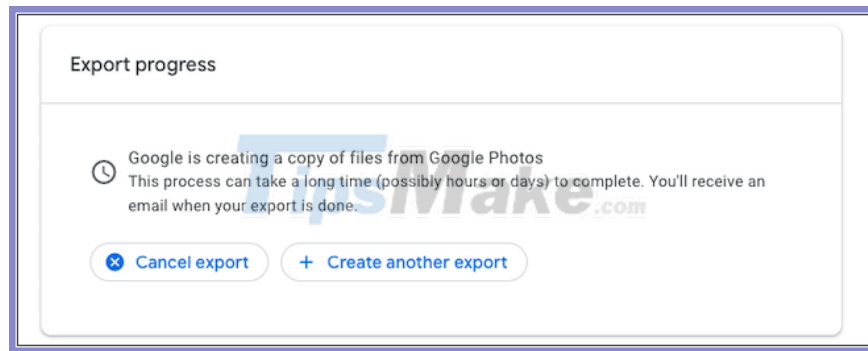
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Click "**Create Export**" once you have customized the export.



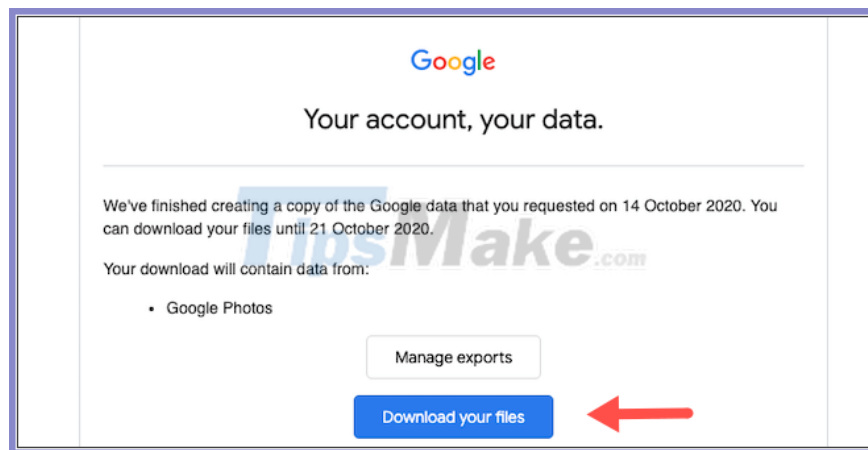
Click "Create Export" to start exporting

Google will start creating a copy of your Photos library. Depending on how many photos and videos you have in the selected albums, this might take a few hours or even days. You can cancel the process using the '**Cancel Export**' button.



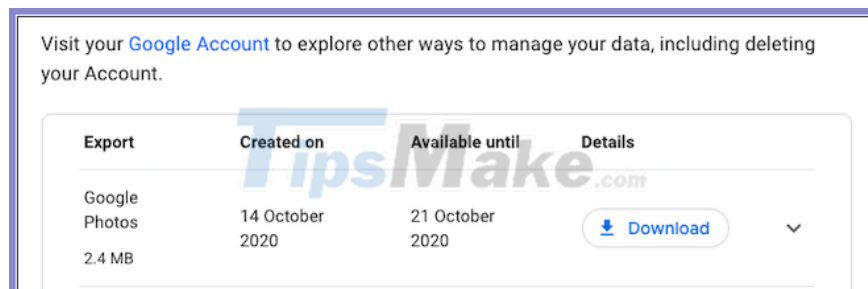
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When done, Google will send you an email titled '**Your Google data is ready to download**'. Click the '**Download Your Files**' button found inside this email to go to the archive download page. Sign in again with your Google account to confirm.



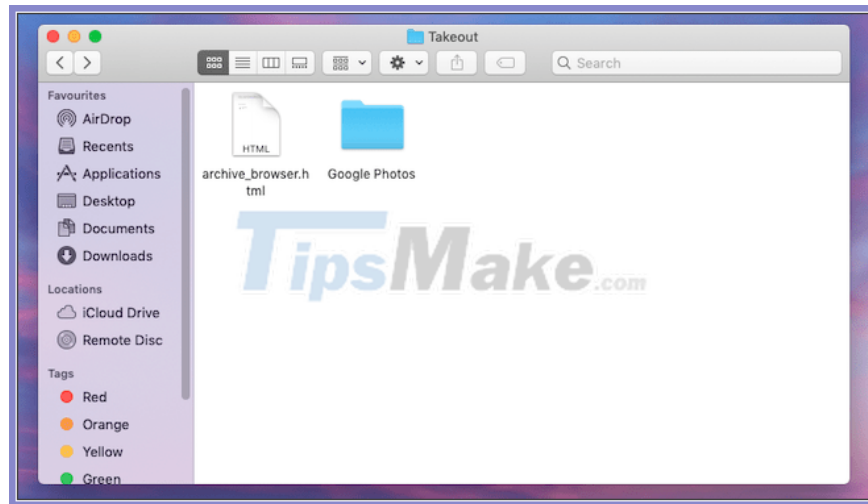
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The file will begin downloading as soon as you visit the following '**Manage Your Exports**' page . If not, select '**Download**' next to the Photos export item in the list to request it manually. Please note that this download link will expire after a week.



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There are two ways you can explore your downloaded archive. You can open the document '**archive\_browser.html**' to browse the gallery from a custom web application in a browser, or view individual photo or video files with the '**Google Photos**' folder .



Explore the downloaded archive

In addition to Photos, Google Takeout allows you to extract copies of data from other Google services like Gmail.

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