

How to hide and show files in Windows 11 without software

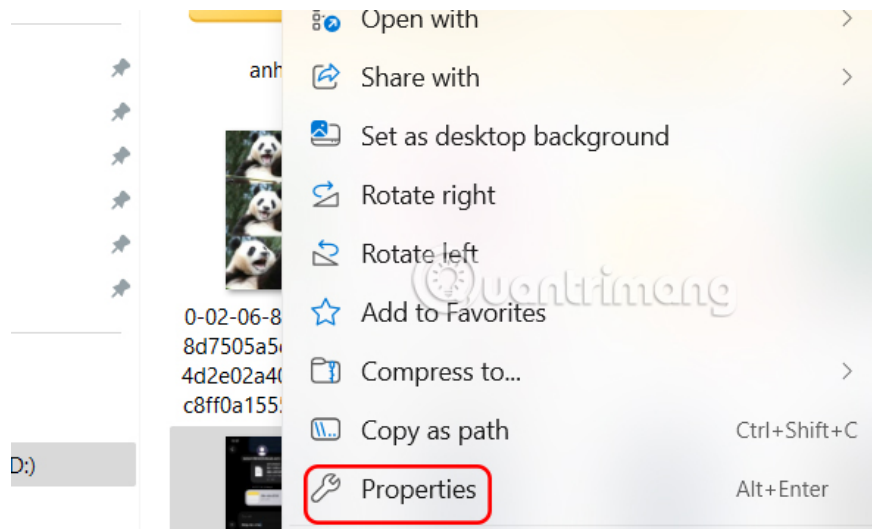
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If you are looking for a way to hide files on Windows 11 without software, just follow the instructions below. There are many ways to hide files on Windows 11, or hide folders without having to install additional software. Thus, your personal and private files will be more secure on your computer.

Hide files in Windows 11 from File Explorer

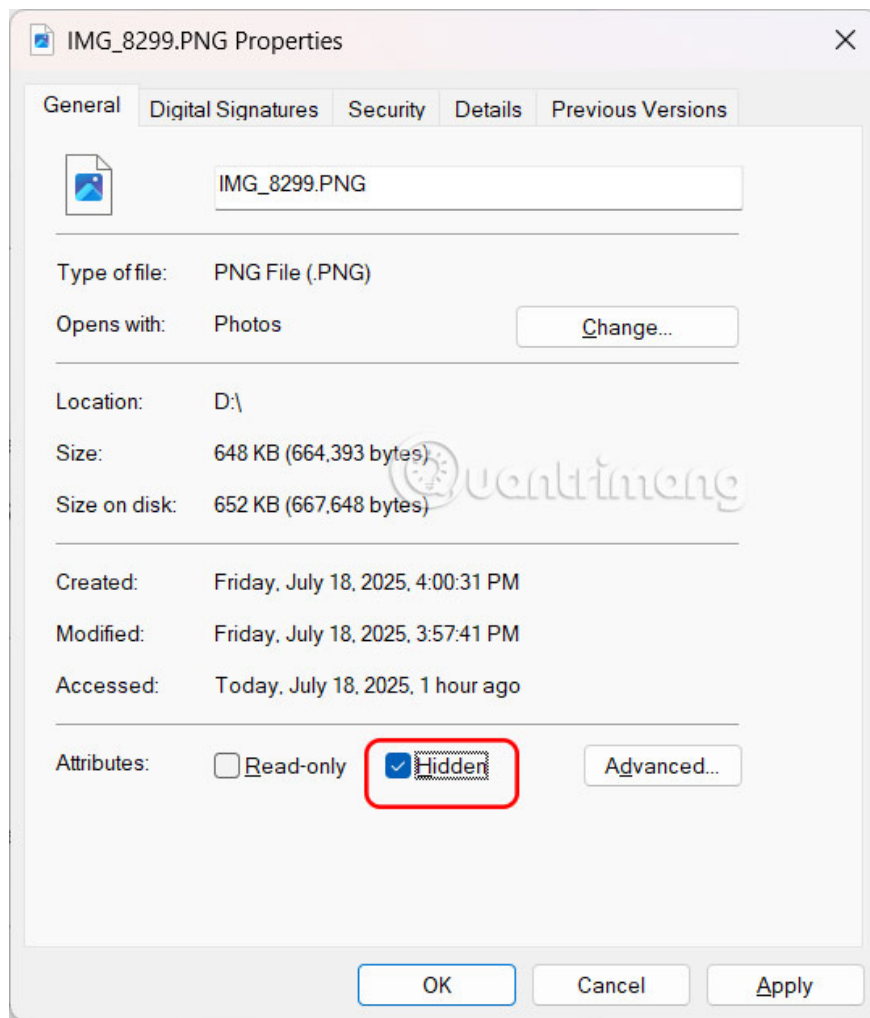
Step 1:

We open File Explorer on the computer, then **right-click on the file or folder you want to hide and select Properties** .



Step 2:

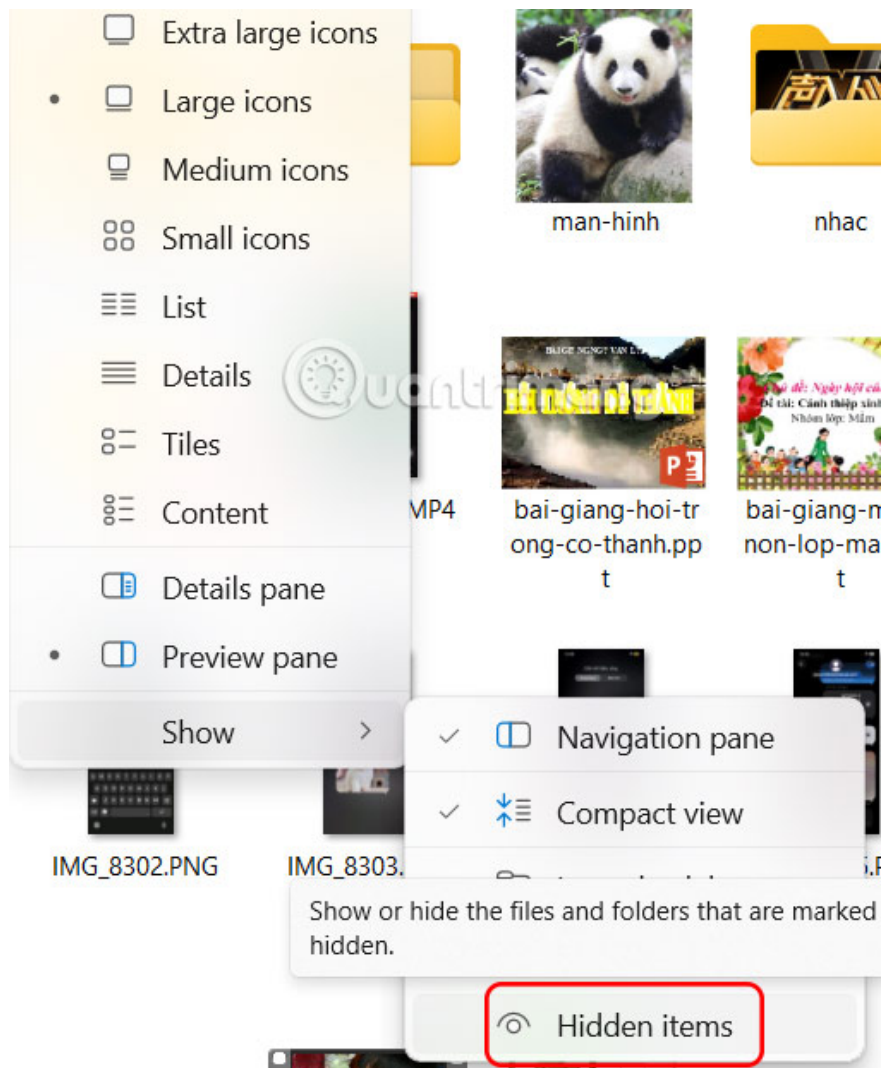
Move to the new folder, **click on the General tab** and look down below, **click on Hidden to hide this file** and select Apply to save the settings.



Instructions for displaying files in File Explorer

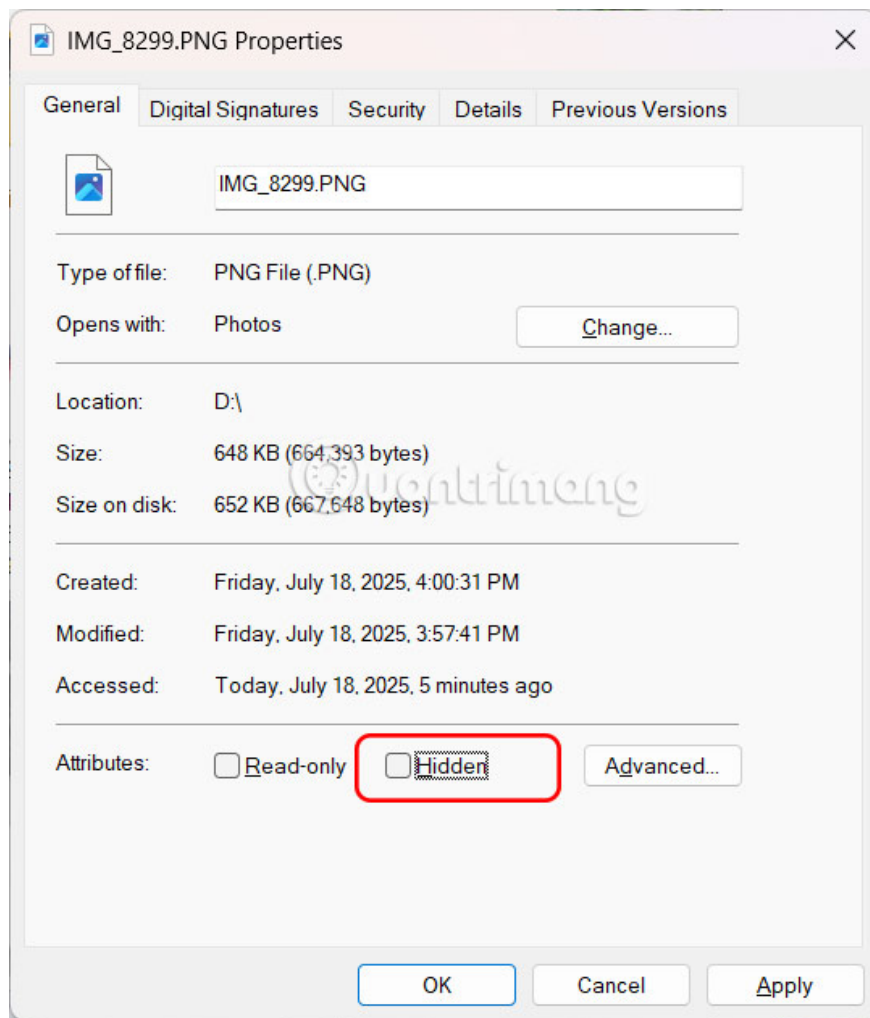
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In the folder where the hidden file is saved, or the drive containing the folder, click **View** and select **Show > Hidden Items** to display hidden files.



Step 2:

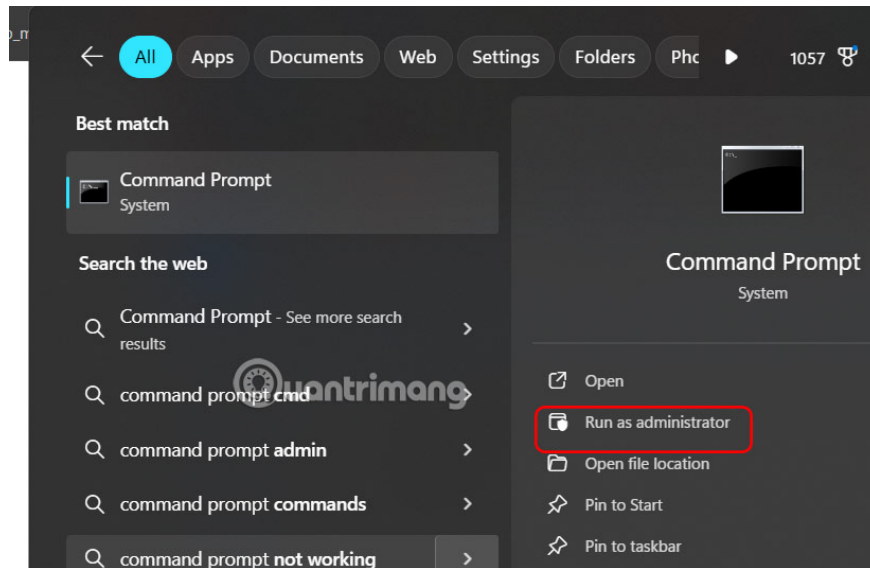
Now you will see the hidden file is blurred. Right click on the file and select Properties. Then select the General tab, **uncheck Hidden and click Apply** .



How to hide and show files in Windows 11 using Command Prompt

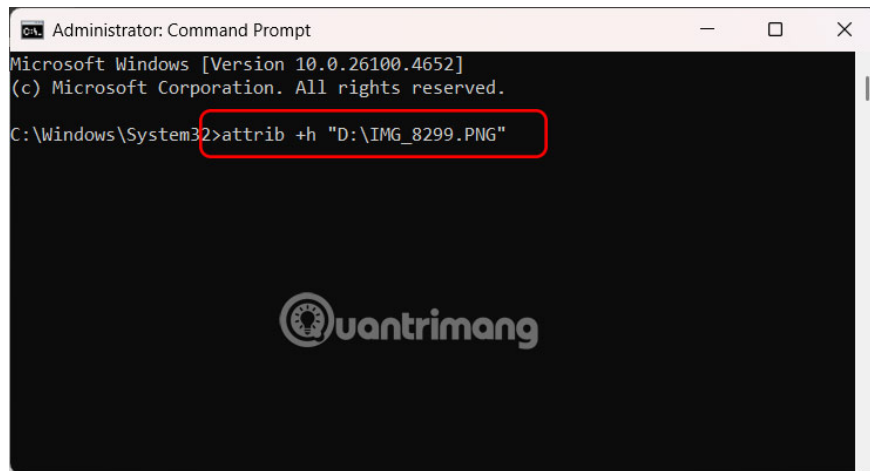
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Type **Command Prompt** in the search bar and **click Run as administrator** to open it.



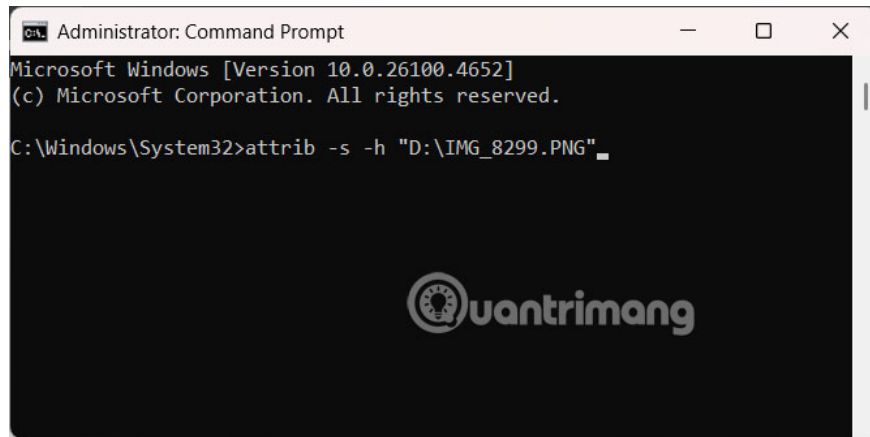
Step 2:

Display the Command Prompt interface, you **type attrib +h 'path of the file/folder you want to hide** . This will immediately hide your file or folder.



Step 3:

To display the file again, enter the command **attrib -s -h 'file path to display'**.



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Administrator: Command Prompt
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.26100.4652]
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C:\Windows\System32>attrib -s -h "D:\IMG_8299.PNG" _
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The image shows a screenshot of a Windows Command Prompt window running as Administrator. The window title is "Administrator: Command Prompt". The text inside the window shows the Windows version (10.0.26100.4652) and copyright information. A command is entered at the prompt: `C:\Windows\System32>attrib -s -h "D:\IMG_8299.PNG" _`. The cursor is at the end of the command. A watermark for "uantrimang" is visible in the bottom right corner of the terminal window.

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