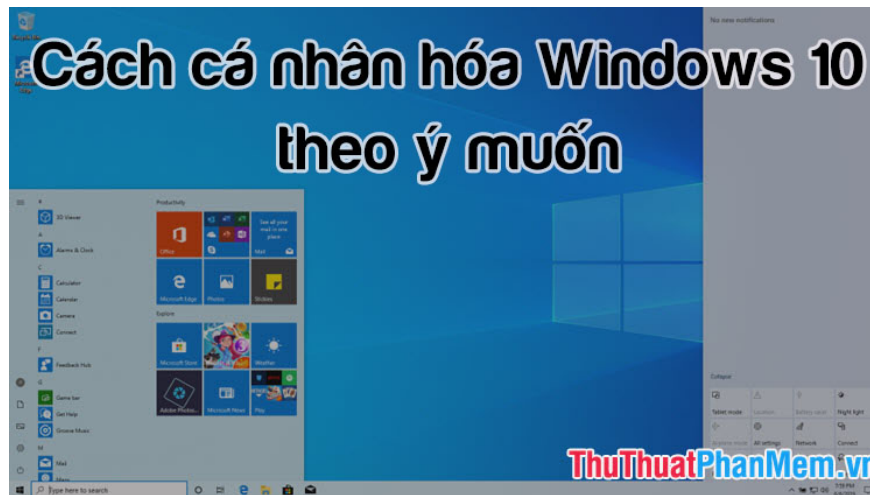


# How to personalize Windows 10 as you like

TipsMake.com guides readers on how to personalize Windows 10 or to help you bring a newer and more appropriate interface to your needs.

Windows 10 is equipped with many new features compared to previous versions of Windows and comes with new features that the interface of Windows 10 is quite "confused" with many applications, icons on the Taskbar, Start menu. In the article below, TipsMake.com guides you on how to personalize Windows 10 or to help you bring a newer and more appropriate interface to your needs.

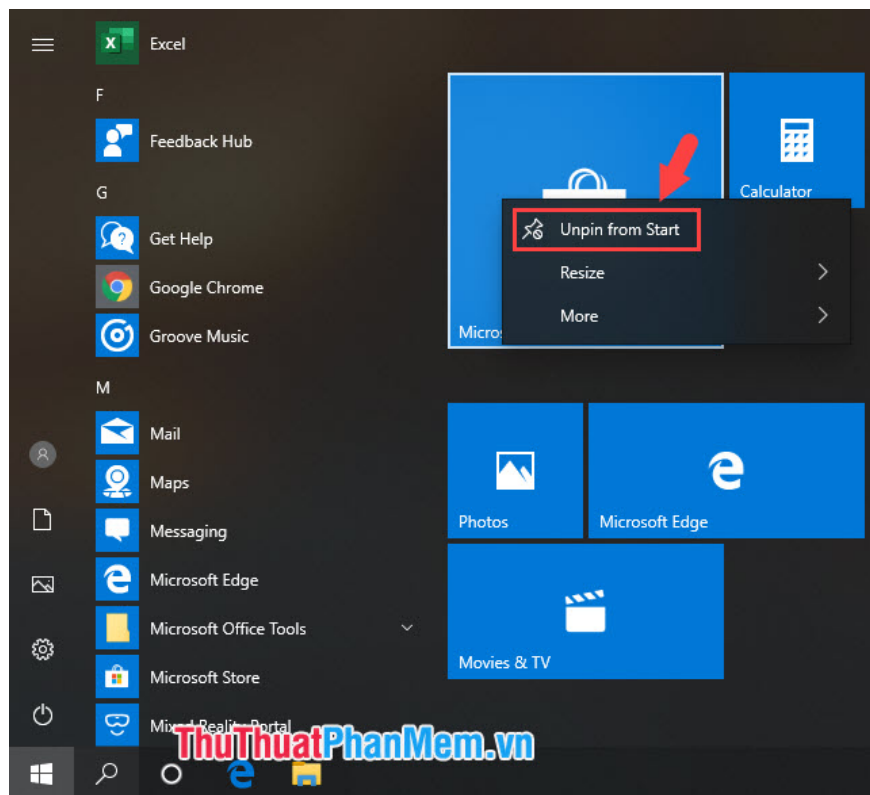


Here are some tips to personalize Windows 10 that TipsMake.com often uses, please read along.

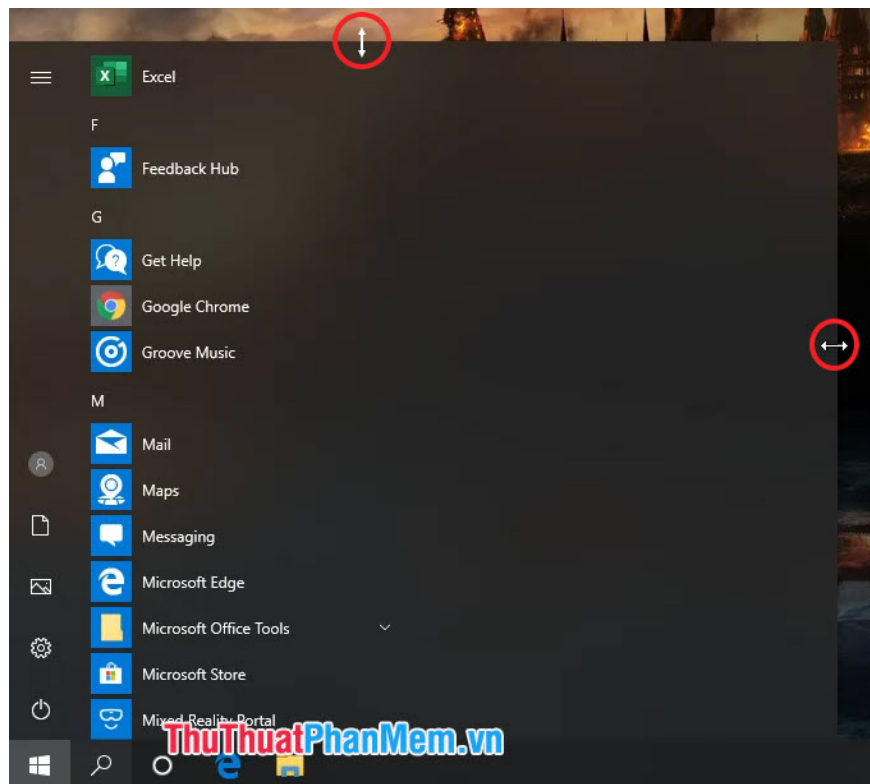
## 1. Collapse the Start menu bar

By default, the Start menu installs a lot of applications that make our Start menu more confusing. To help reduce the confusion, we proceed to collapse the Start menu as follows:

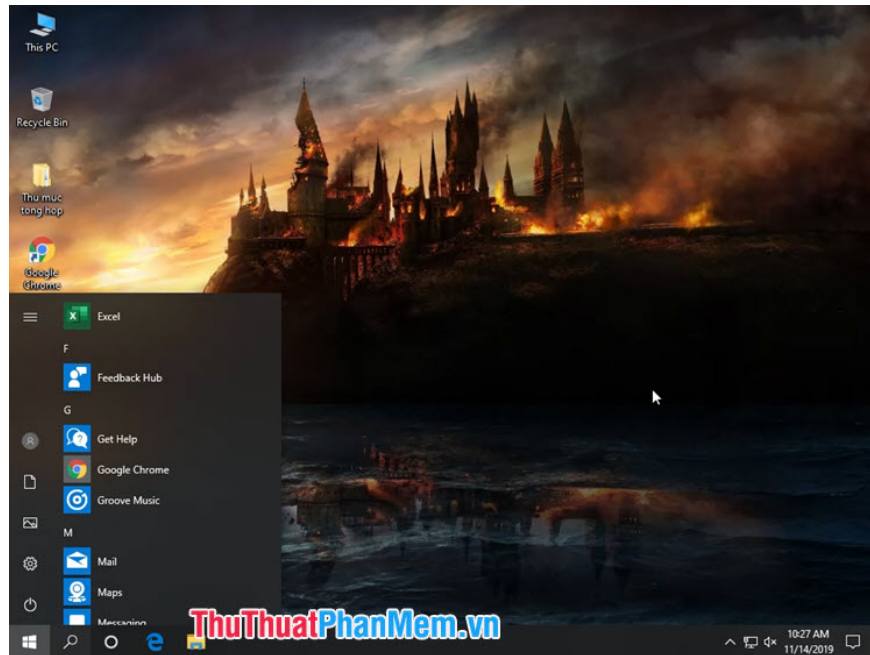
**Step 1:** Right-click each application in the Start menu and click **Unpin from Start**. Note: you must **Unpin the** entire application before we can collapse the **Start menu** .



**Step 2:** After unpinning all applications, this step drag the horizontal, vertical Start menu inside. You move the mouse cursor to the edge of the application and we will see a two-way arrow appear, drag the mouse pointer inside and you're done.



After following the instructions above, we will have Start menu that looks a lot cleaner than before.



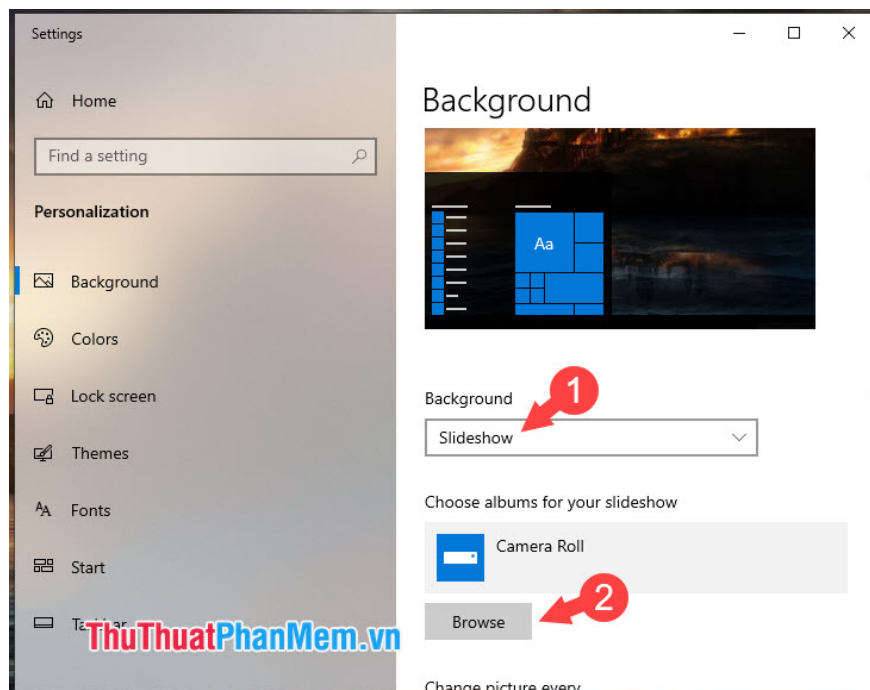
## 2. Change wallpaper

Changing the default wallpaper on Windows 10 helps us work on computers without being bored by the monotonous Windows wallpaper and can help us improve performance by using positive wallpapers. Or nature wallpaper makes us feel comfortable. Proceed as follows:

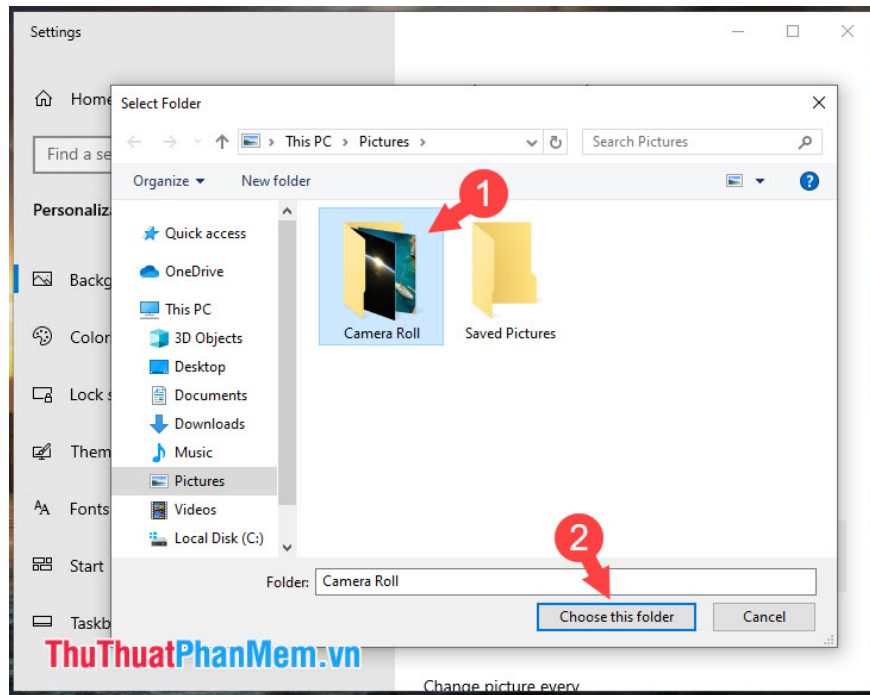
**Step 1:** Right-click **Desktop** => **Personalize** .



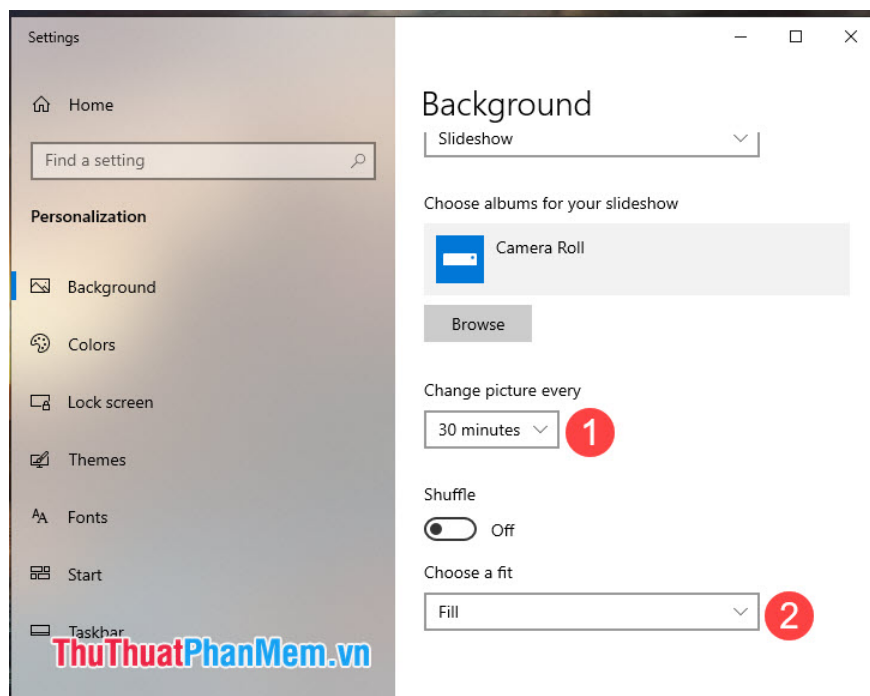
**Step 2:** In the Background section, we will set the wallpaper as a **Slide show (1)** so that the wallpaper automatically changes over time. Then click **Browse (2)** to open the wallpaper folder.



**Step 3:** Select the folder containing the wallpaper and click **Choose this folder** .



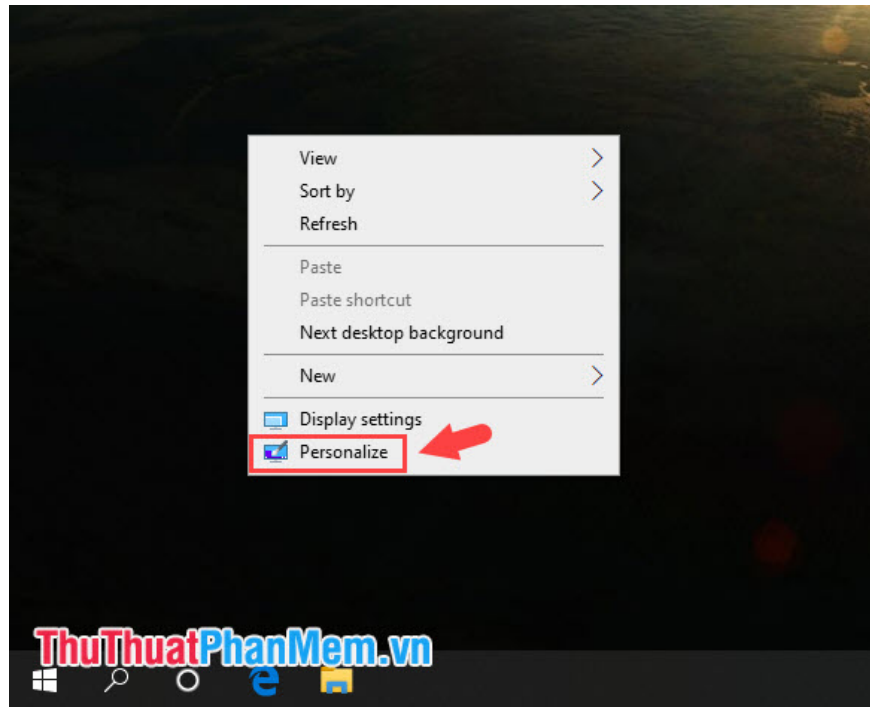
**Step 4:** You scroll down and set the time the wallpaper changes in **Change picture every (1)** and select the wallpaper rate **Choose a fit (2)** .



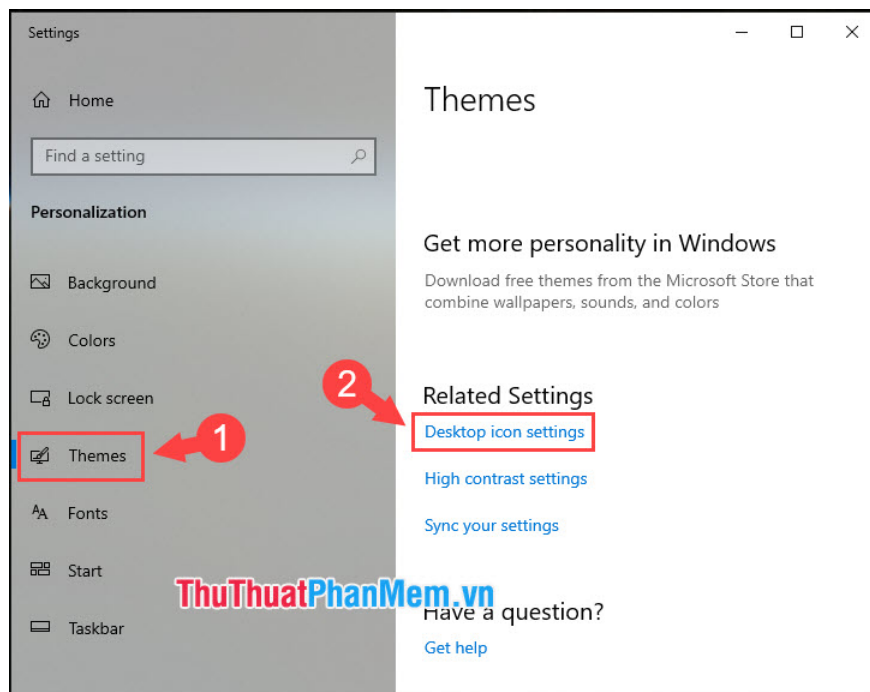
### 3. Show or hide icons on the home screen

By default, when installing Windows 10, **this PC** icon is hidden and only has the **Recycle Bin** icon on the screen. To show / hide icons like This PC, Recycle Bin . on Windows 10 desktop, do the following:

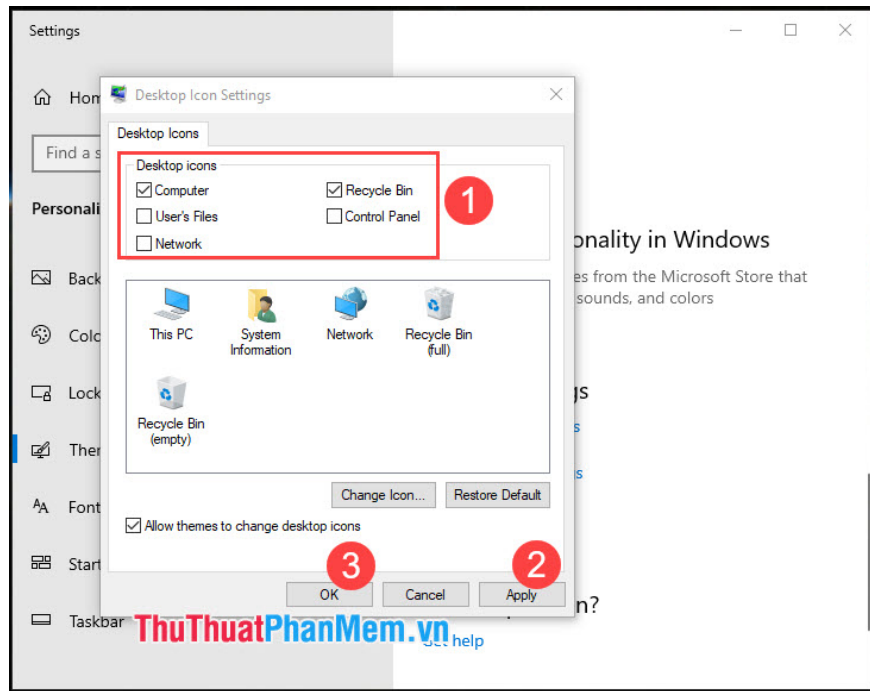
**Step 1:** Right-click on the **Desktop** and select **Personalize** .



**Step 2:** Choose **Themes** => **Desktop icon settings** .



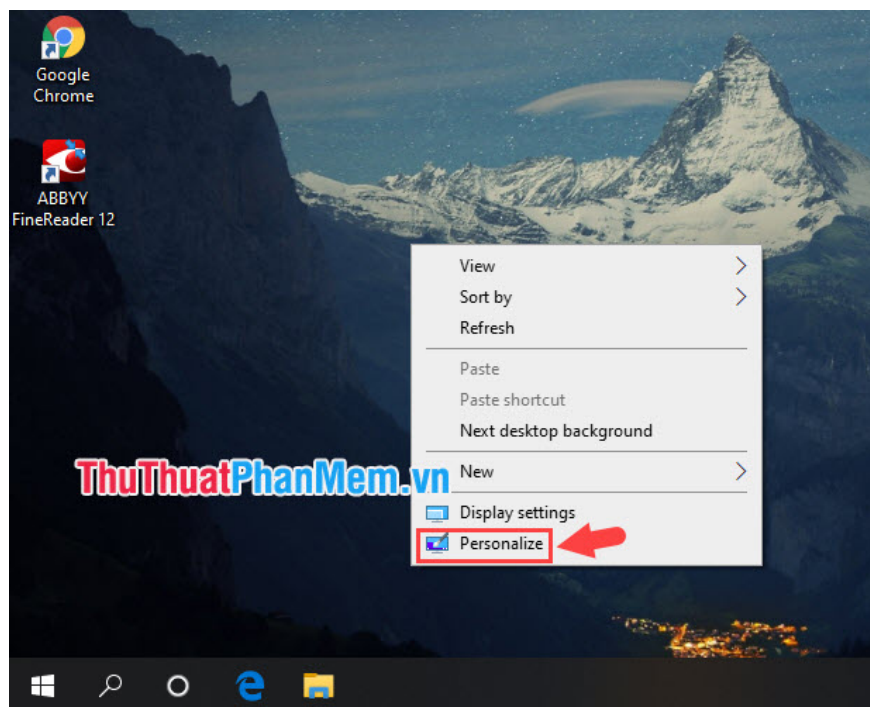
**Step 3:** You tick the **Desktop** icon you want to hide or show. Then click **Apply** and **OK** to save.



## 4. Change the color, light / dark interface for Windows

Starting with Windows 10 version 1809, the Dark mode is complete and we can customize our Windows 10 to "light" or "dark" as you like.

**Step 1: Right-click Desktop => Personalize .**

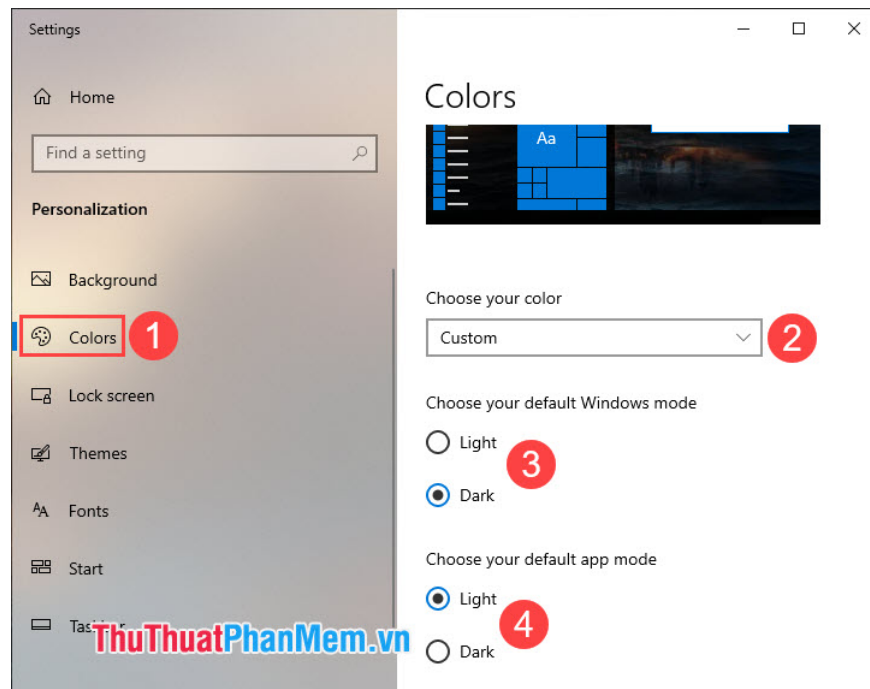


**Step 2 :** Choose **Color (1)** to change the color settings for Windows. Item **Choose your color** you should **Custom (2)** to customize the light and dark interface in your own way.

Section **Choose your default Windows mode (3)** will apply light or dark interface to the Start menu, Task bar.

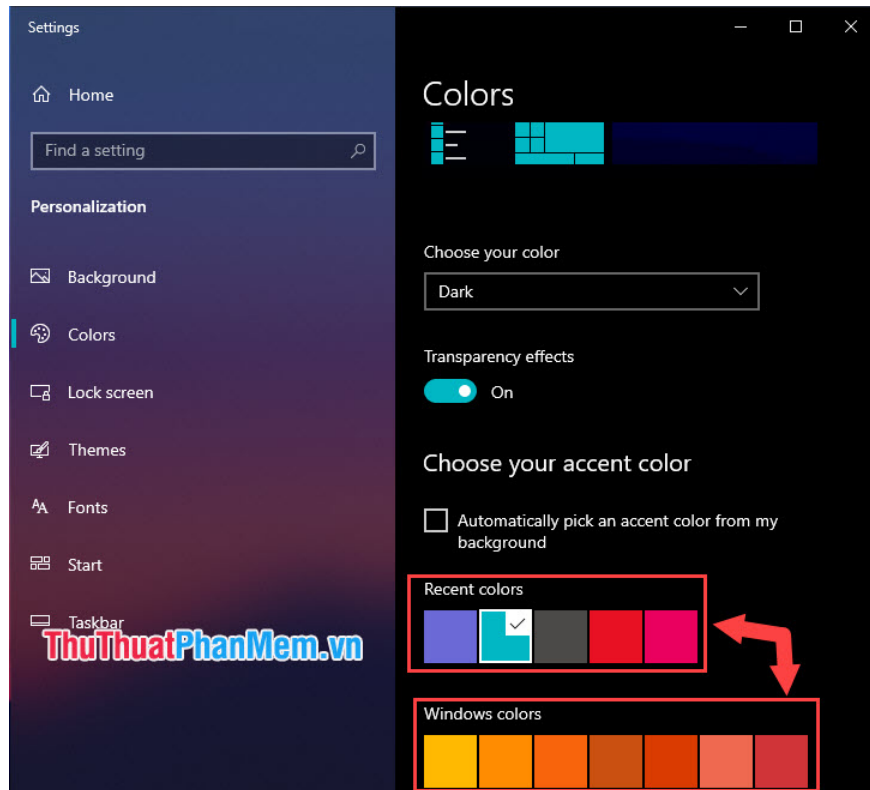
For section **Choose your default app mode (4)** will apply the dark interface for applications, File Explorer, Settings in Windows.

You choose the dark, light interface on your own or select both Dark and Light at the same time or 1 Dark option and 1 Light option according to your preferences.



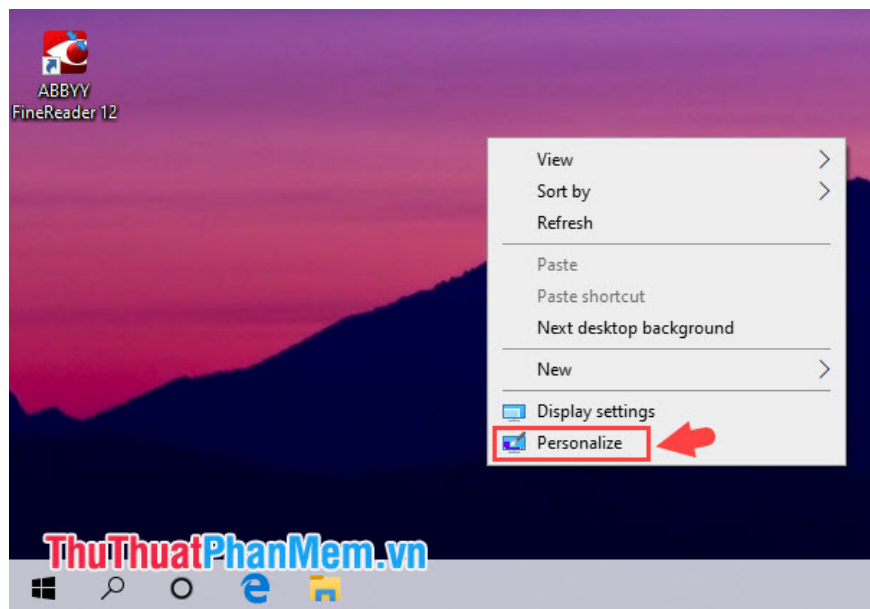
**Step 3:** Scroll down to change the colors for some Windows icons in **Choose your accent color** . Choose your preferred color from **Recent colors** and **Windows Colors** .

To check out the new color theme, scroll up to the top to see the color interface of the icons when setting colors here.

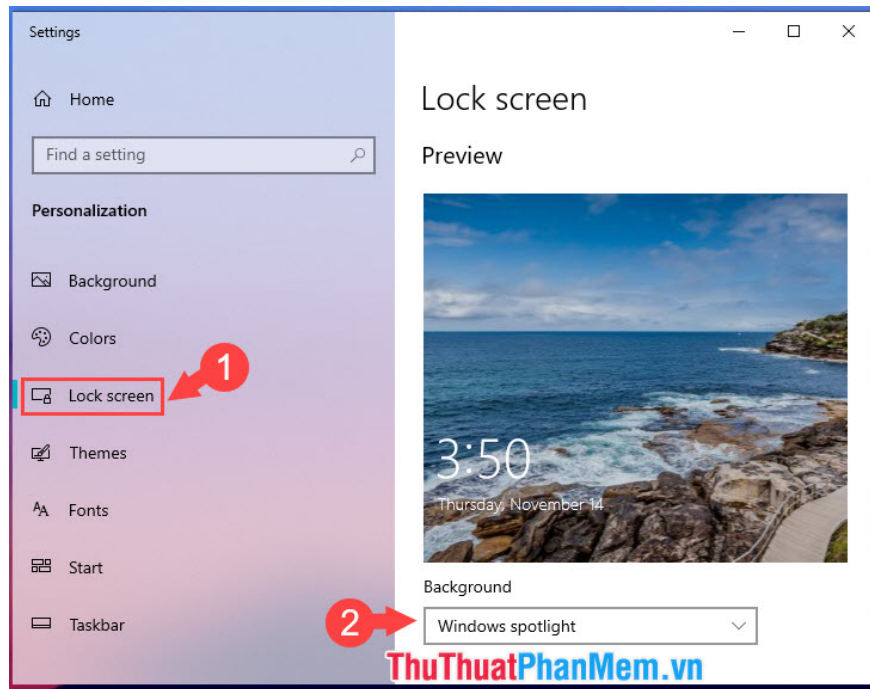


## 5. Change the Windows lock screen wallpaper

**Step 1:** Right-click on the **Desktop** and select **Personalize** .

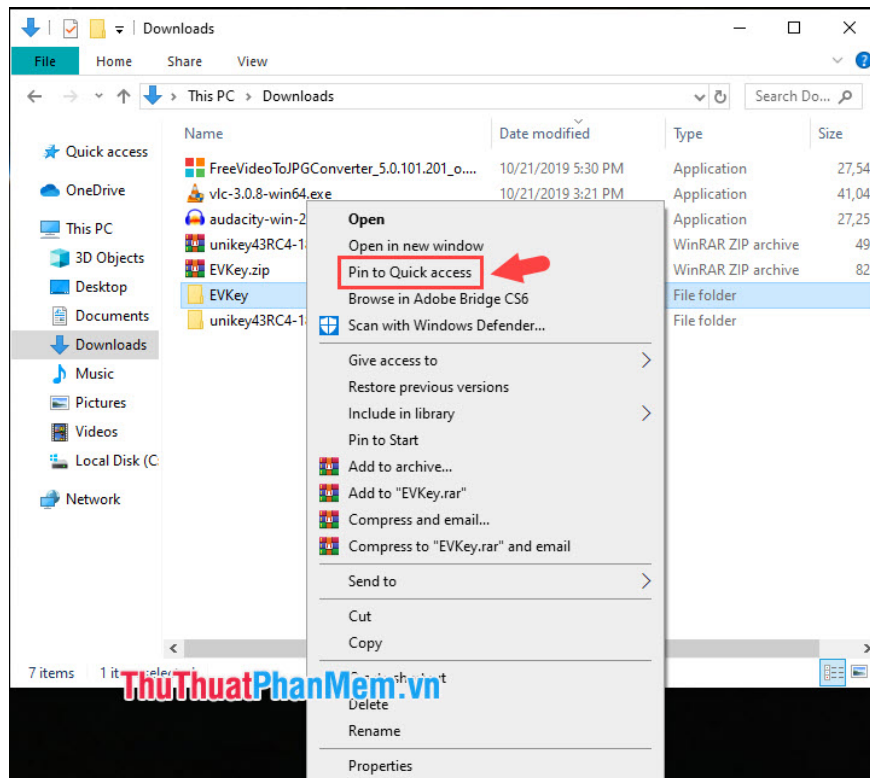


**Step 2:** Go to **Lock screen** (1) and change Background to **Windows spotlight** (2) . The Windows spotlight option gives us a lot of nice locking wallpapers and is accompanied by some accompanying ad text.



## 6. Add frequently used folders and files to Quick Access

**Quick Access** is a nice feature that allows us to quickly access frequently used folders and files. To add a file or a folder to **Quick Access**, right-click the folder or file and select **Pin to Quick access**. To access the Quick Access folder, open **This PC** or **File Explorer** => select the **Quick Access** item in the left corner of the folder.



With tips to personalize Windows 10 in the article, TipsMake.com hopes to bring readers a new Windows experience and less boring than the default option. Good luck!

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