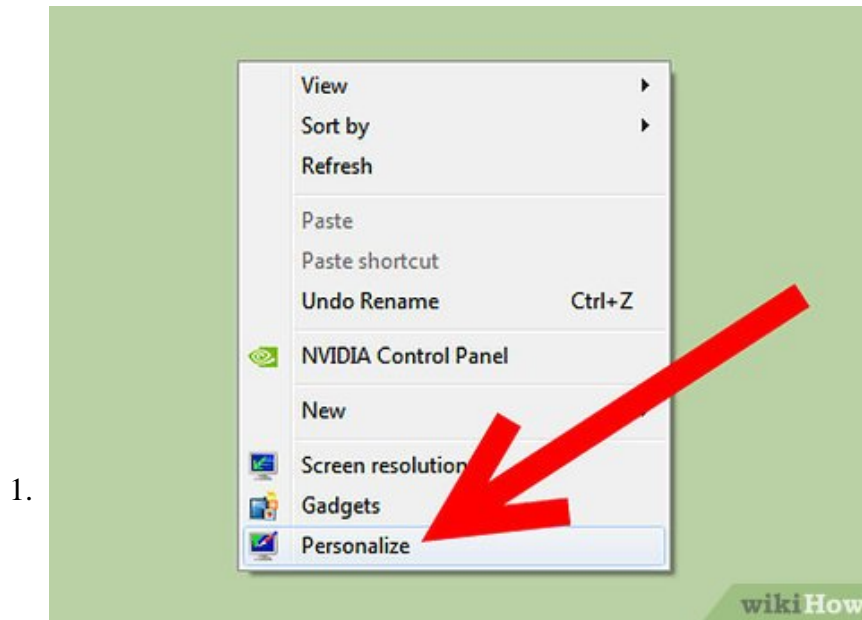


How to Remove a Background from the Desktop Background List (Windows)

Desktop backgrounds are a great way to express your love for your favorite celebrities or to showcase a collection of your favorite quotes. New features even allow you to rotate between different desktop backgrounds to help you switch it...

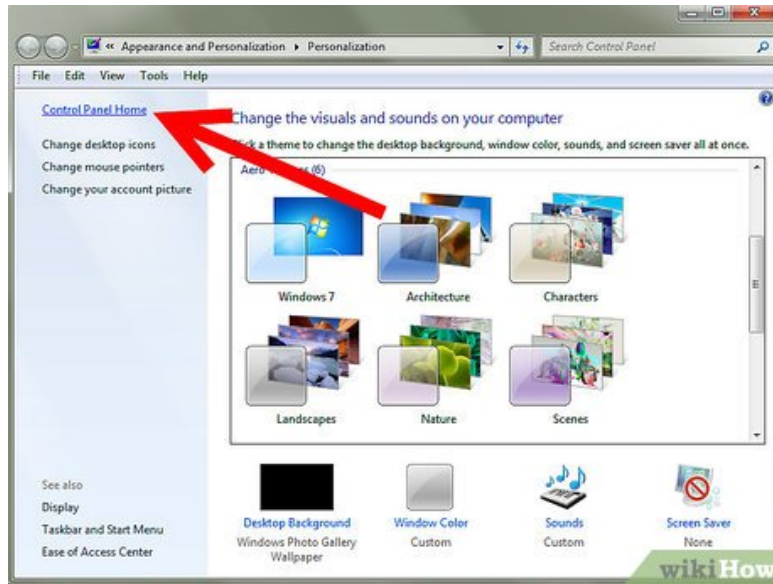
Method 1 of 2:

Windows 7

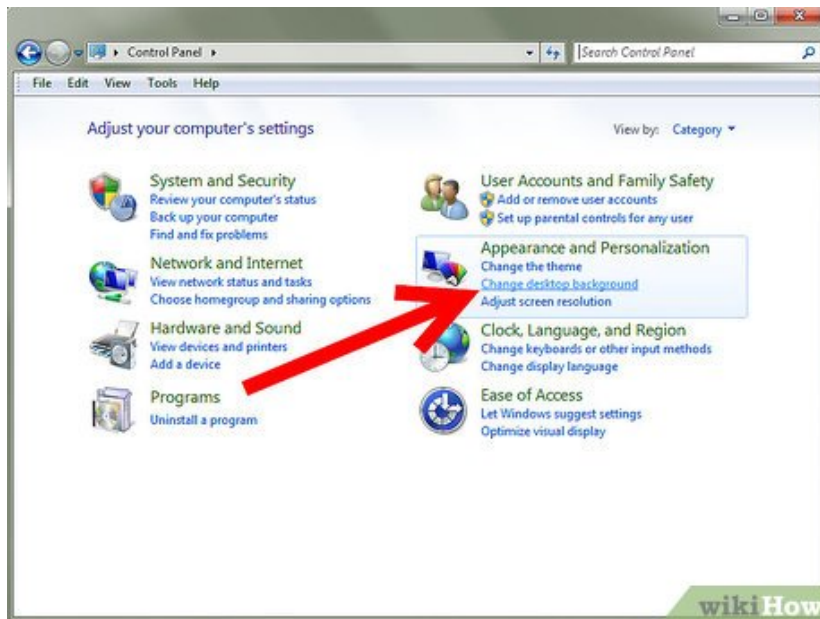


Right-click on your desktop and select "Personalize."

1. On the top left of the window that pops up, click "Control Panel Home."



2.



Under the Appearance and Personalization header on the right column, click "Change desktop background."



You will see a screen that lists all of your currently available desktop backgrounds. Find the background that you don't want, and uncheck the box to remove it as a desktop background option.

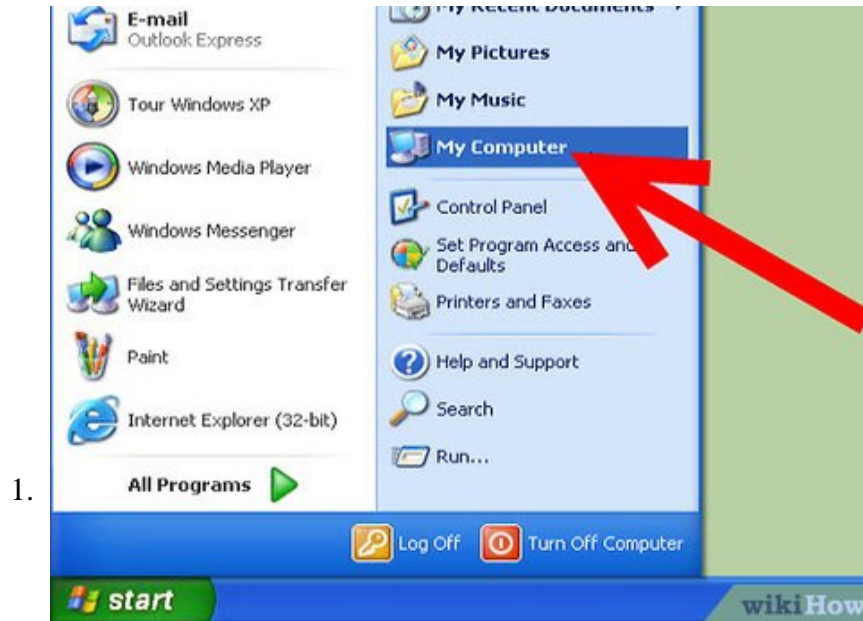


If you want to delete the file from your computer entirely, look at the sub-header above the desktop background thumbnail and note the image's folder location. In this example, my unwanted desktop background is on the desktop.

1. Go to that folder in your explorer window and right-click on the image to delete it from your computer.

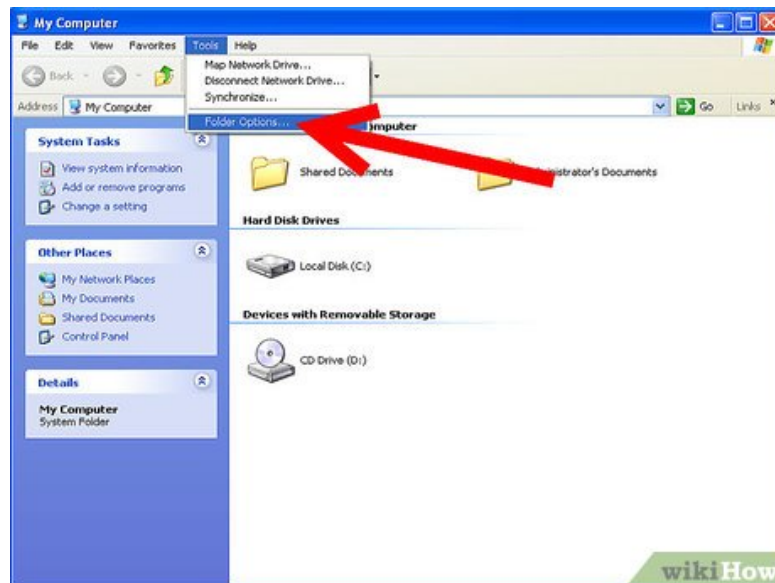
Method 2 of 2:

Windows XP

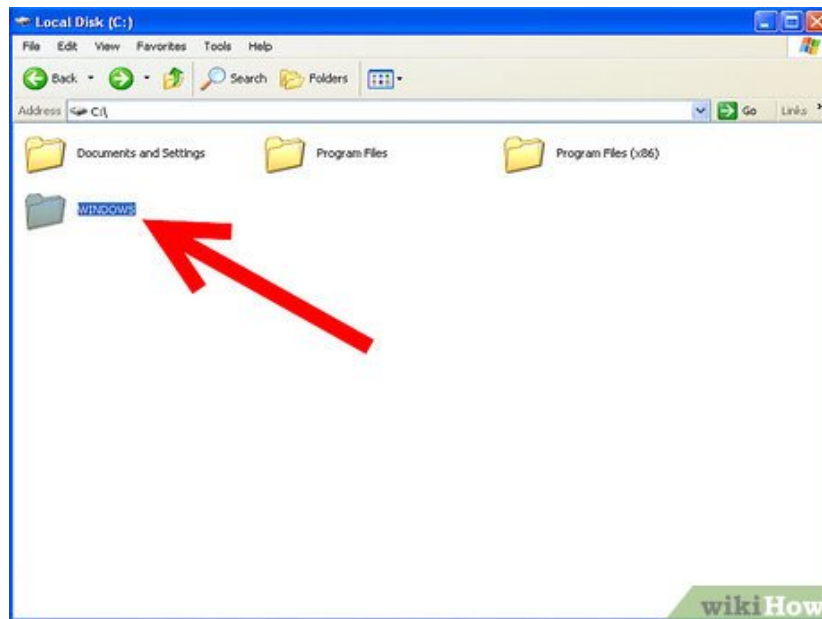
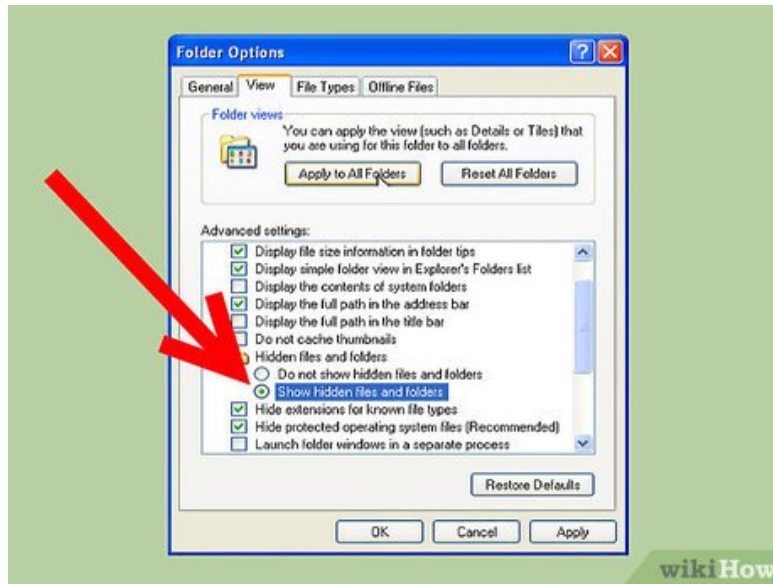


Open up My Computer from the Start menu.

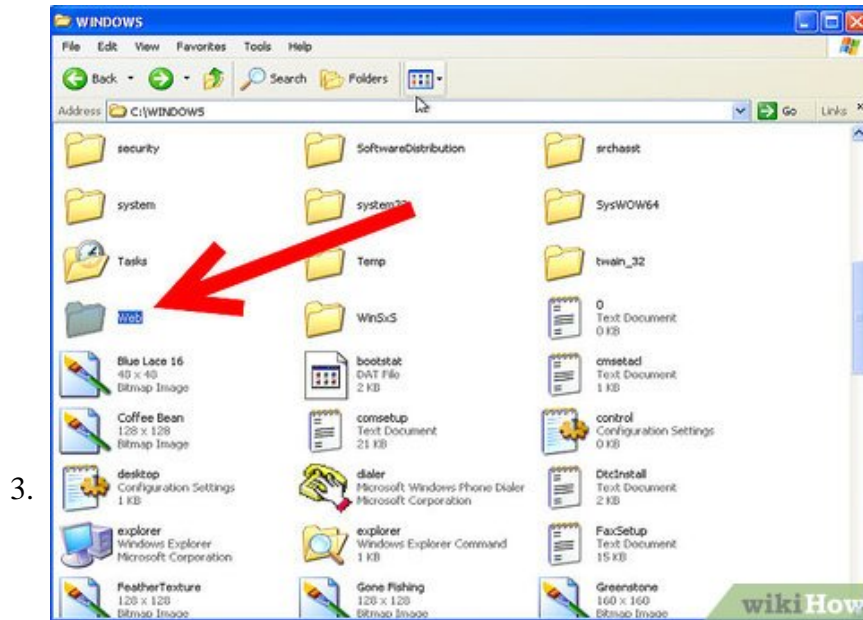
1. Then select Tools then Folder Options



2. Click the "View" tab then click "Show Hidden Files and Folders" and click "OK".

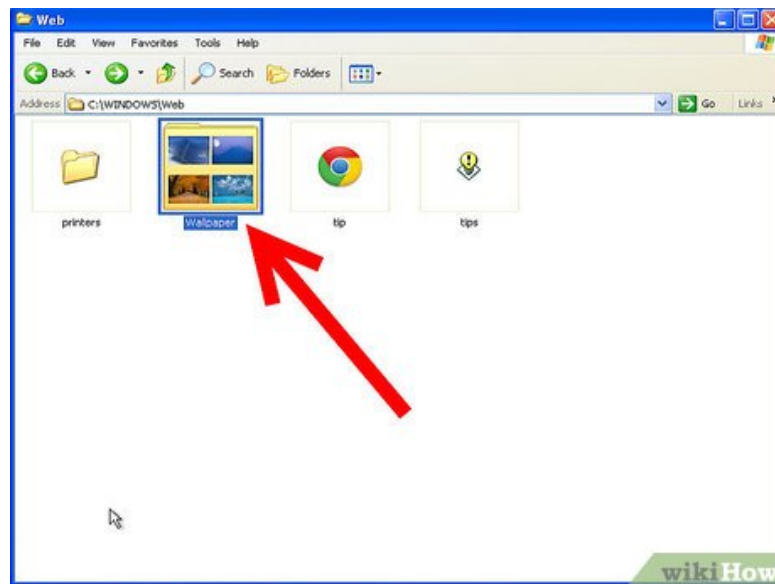


Navigate to the C: drive and look for the Windows folder. If you are presented with a warning about modifying system files, click the 'Show files' link to continue.

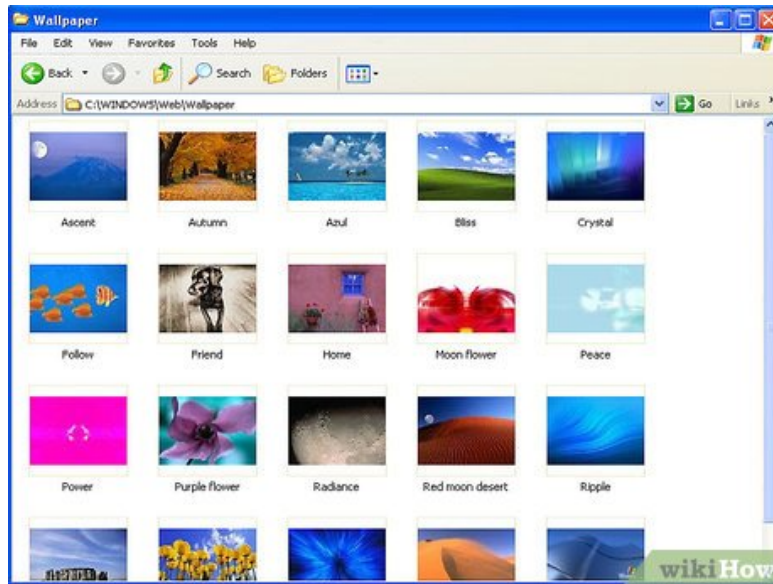


When you're in the Windows folder, locate and double-click the Web folder

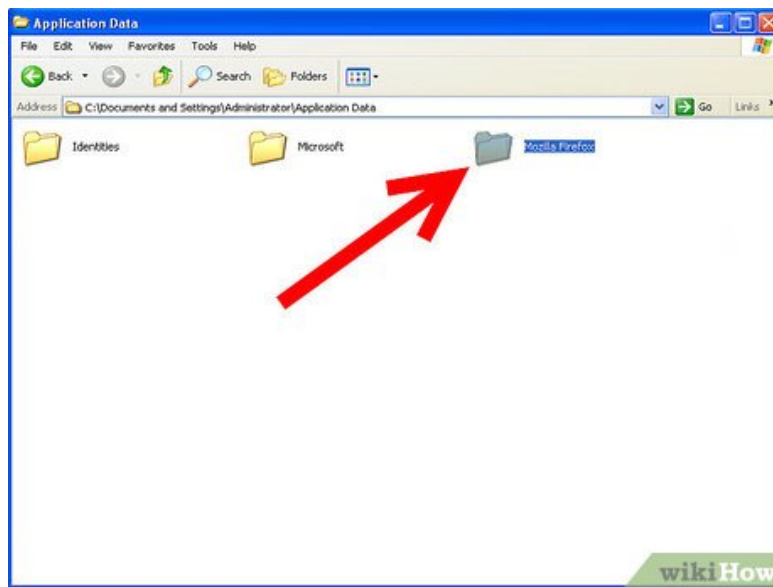
1. Then double-click on the "Wallpaper" folder.



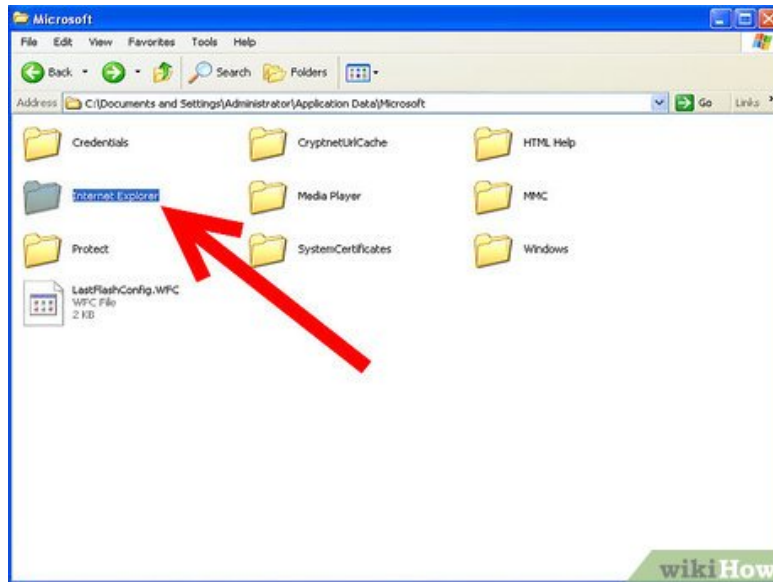
2. Look for the wallpaper/pictures you want to delete



3. If you're using Firefox, it may be stored in C:\Documents and Settings\Application Data\Mozilla\Firefox

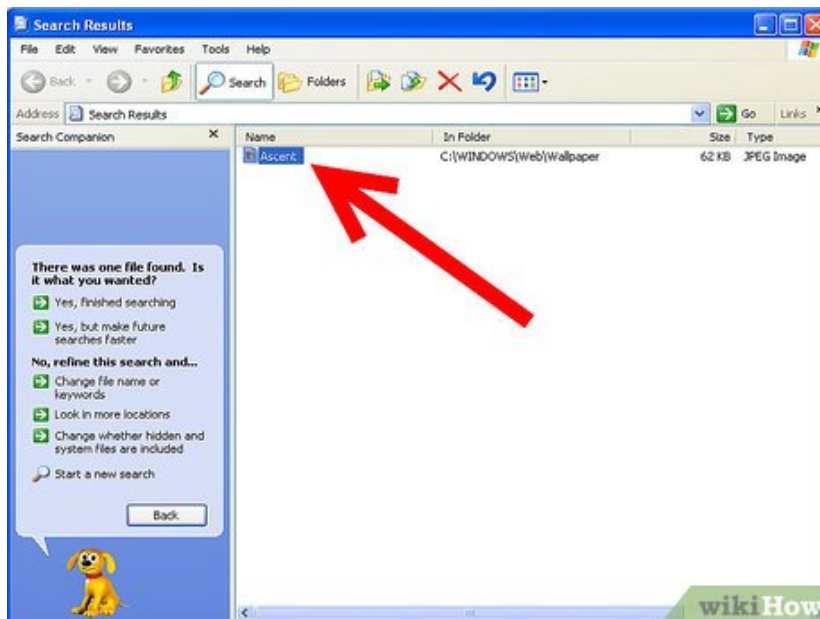
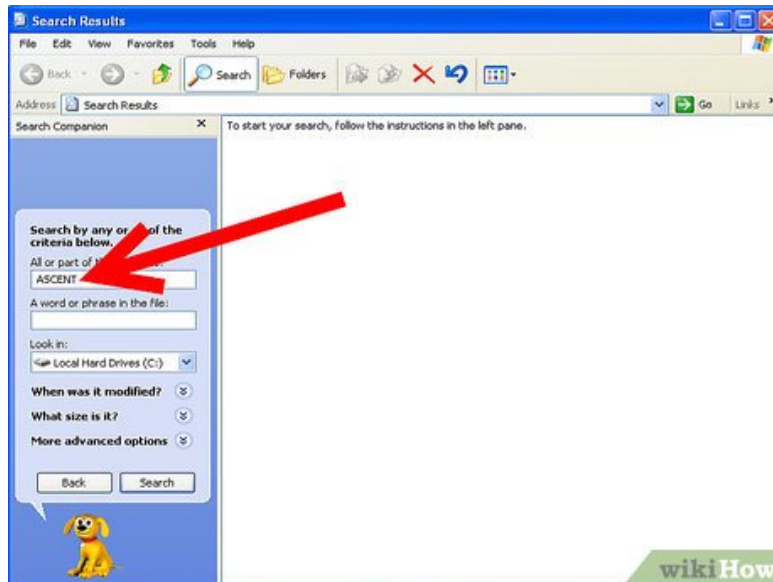


4. If you're using Internet Explorer, it may be stored in C:\Documents and Settings\Application Data\Microsoft\Internet Explorer



If you still have not found it, go to Start Menu, Search.

1. Click "All files and folders", and enter the name of the background to locate it.



When you have located the file, you can either delete it, or move it to a new folder. Try creating a folder called Moved Backgrounds. If you move the file to this new folder, it will be removed from your list, but still available on your PC should you change your mind.

You finished reading the article "**How to Remove a Background from the Desktop Background List (Windows)**" edited by the [TipsMake](#) team. We hope this article has provided you with many useful tech tips and tricks. You can search for similar articles on tips and guides. Thank you for reading and for following us regularly.