

Welcome to Pixelmemories.com! Here's a tutorial to help you create your own custom photo book!

GETTING STARTED

We're going to take you through some easy steps to creating your own custom photo books at PixelMemories.com.

If this is your first visit, we'll ask you to create a user account when the time is right, but feel free to browse the site to see the products offered and all the layout and design options you may use to create your book. At the point you are ready to begin creating, you will be asked to create an account, or login if you are a returning user.

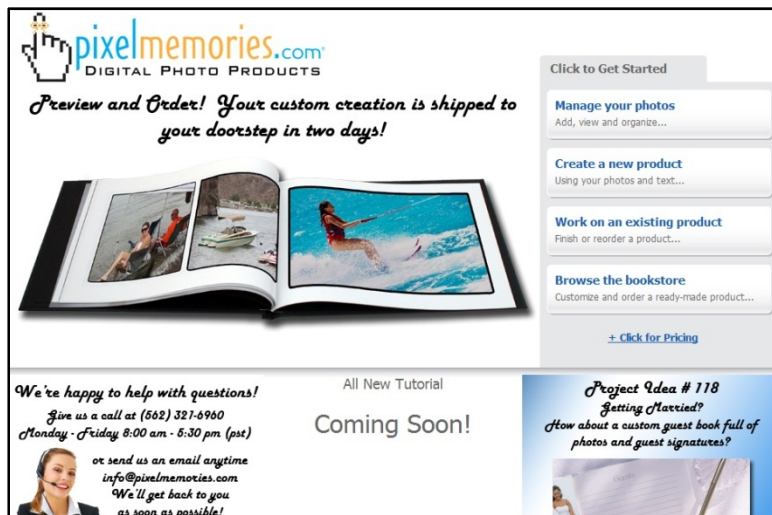
If you are ready to dive right in, hit the manage photos button and we'll help you upload your photos onto our secure server so you'll be able to use them in your book!

MANAGING PHOTOS

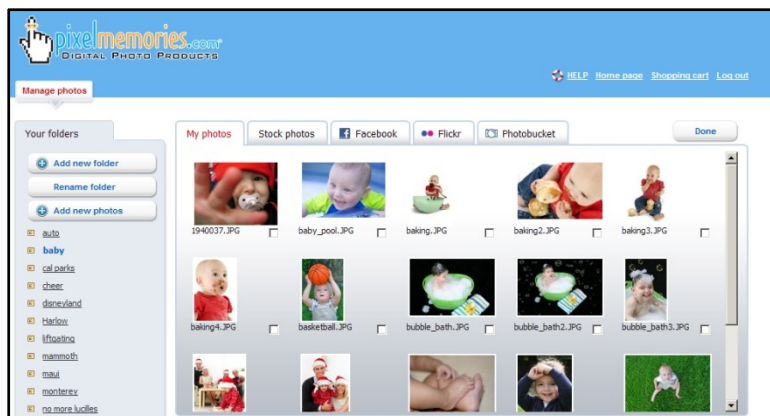
At Pixelmemories.com, you are given many options for photo sources. You may upload the photos from your computer into your own online folders, as well as use photos from your Flickr, Facebook and Photo Bucket accounts. When making your products, you may toggle between any of these photo sources.

Connecting to other sites

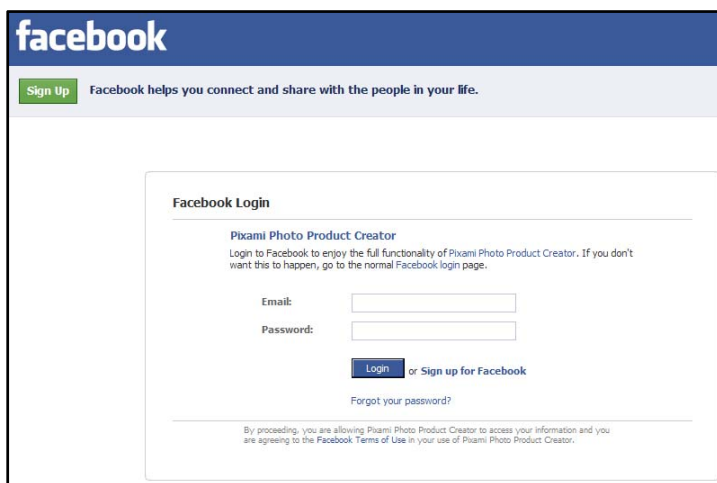
To connect your account with any of the available photo sources, just click on the tab and fill in your login information to allow our software to access your photos. It's that easy!



The screenshot shows the PixelMemories.com homepage. At the top left is the logo. The main heading reads "Preview and Order! Your custom creation is shipped to your doorstep in two days!". Below this is an image of an open photo book. On the right side, there are several buttons: "Click to Get Started", "Manage your photos", "Create a new product", "Work on an existing product", and "Browse the bookstore". At the bottom left, there is a contact section with a phone number and email address. At the bottom right, there is a "Coming Soon!" announcement for an "All New Tutorial" and a "Project Idea # 118 Getting Married?" link.



The screenshot shows the "Manage photos" interface. On the left, there are buttons for "Add new folder", "Rename folder", and "Add new photos". Below these are several folders listed: auto, baby, cal park, cheer, doreenland, harlow, ifloating, mammoth, maul, monterey, and no more luciles. On the right, there are tabs for "My photos", "Stock photos", "Facebook", "Flickr", and "Photobucket". The "My photos" tab is active, showing a grid of photo thumbnails with filenames like "1940037.JPG", "baby_pool.JPG", "baking.JPG", "baking2.JPG", "baking3.JPG", "baking4.JPG", "basketball.JPG", "bubble_bath.JPG", "bubble_bath2.JPG", and "bubble_bath3.JPG".



The screenshot shows the Facebook login page. At the top, it says "facebook" and "Sign Up Facebook helps you connect and share with the people in your life." Below this is a "Facebook Login" section. It includes a heading "Pixami Photo Product Creator" and a sub-heading "Login to Facebook to enjoy the full functionality of Pixami Photo Product Creator. If you don't want this to happen, go to the normal Facebook login page." There are input fields for "Email" and "Password". Below these fields are buttons for "Login" and "Sign up for Facebook". At the bottom, there is a link for "Forgot your password?".

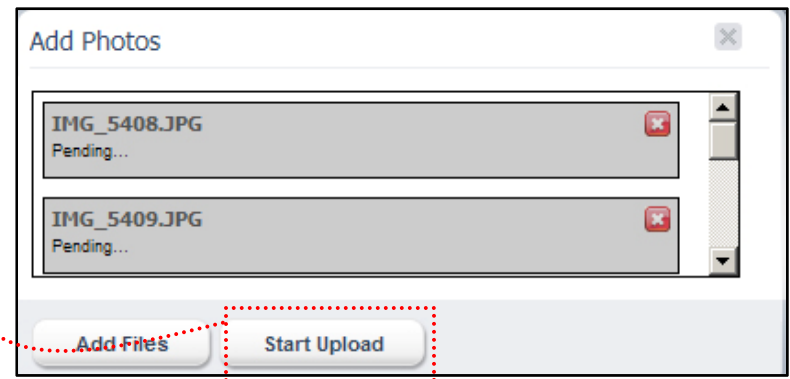
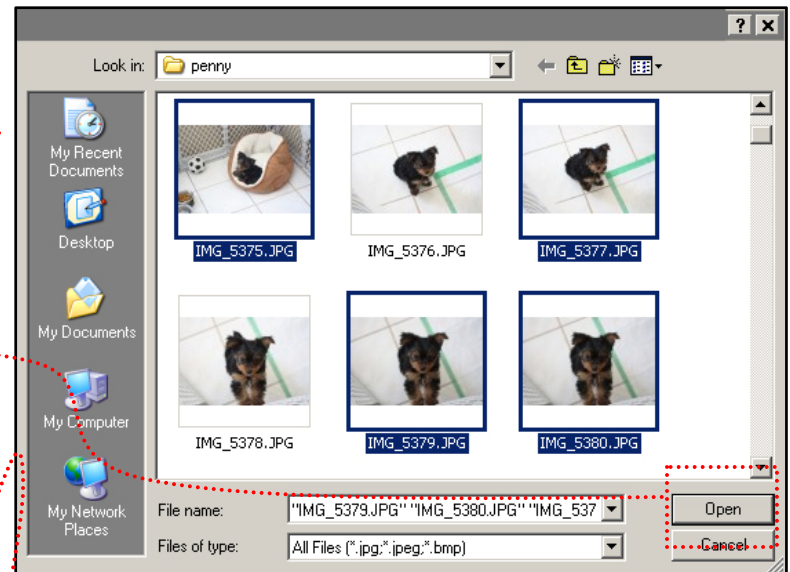
Add photos from computer

When you are ready to upload photos from your computer, either select a new or existing folder, then:

1. Hit the “add new photos” button.
2. Hit “add files” when the upload box appears
3. Choose the photo files you’d like to upload
(holding the control button allows multiple files to be chosen)
4. Hit the “open” button

Now your photos are in the upload queue; just hit “start upload” and your photos will be available in your folder shortly!

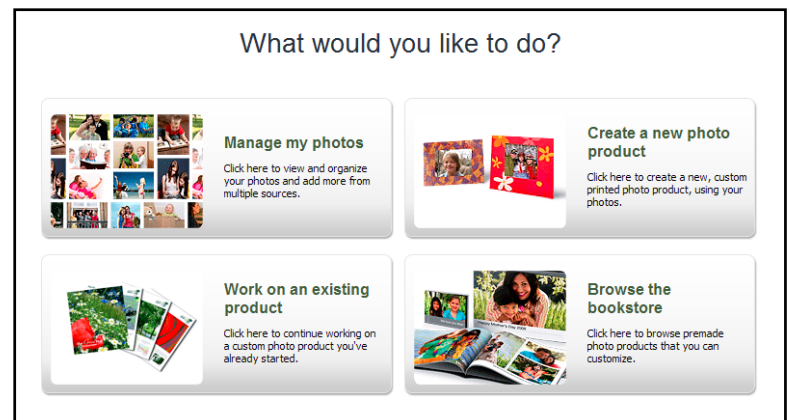
When you are all done working with your photos, just hit “done” and you’ll be taken to the main page where you may choose where to go next.



HOME PAGE

Choices, choices...

The home page has the basic choices for you, that pretty much speak for themselves: [Manage My Photos](#), [Work on an Existing Project](#), [Browse the Bookstore](#), [Create a New Product](#)



Manage My Photos

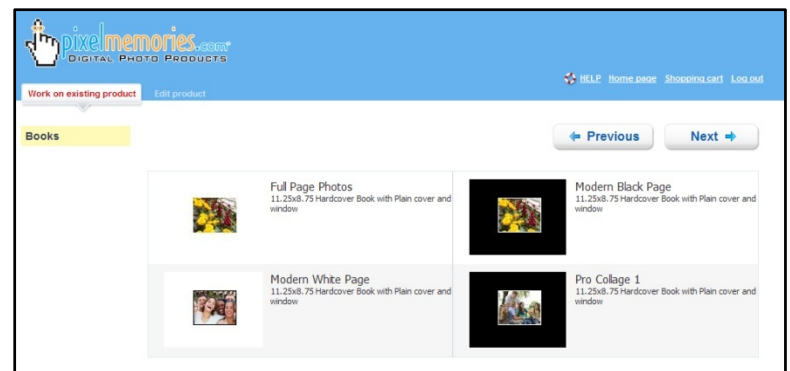
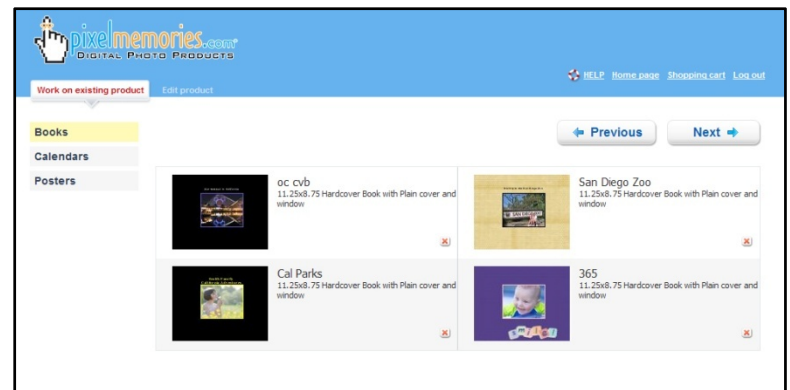
You were just there! If you forgot a photo, or would like to go back to your photos, just hit this button (go back to page 2 for help, but we bet you won't need to!) You may also upload more photos as you are working on your projects.

Work on an Existing Project

If you've already started some photo projects, you'll find them here, listed by category. Anytime you are ready to come back to work on them, or place your order and have the published creation delivered to you, this is the place you're looking for! Your projects will be in your account until you decide to delete them, so when your friends and family see them and say, "Hey can you make me one!?" all you have to do is come back and order more.

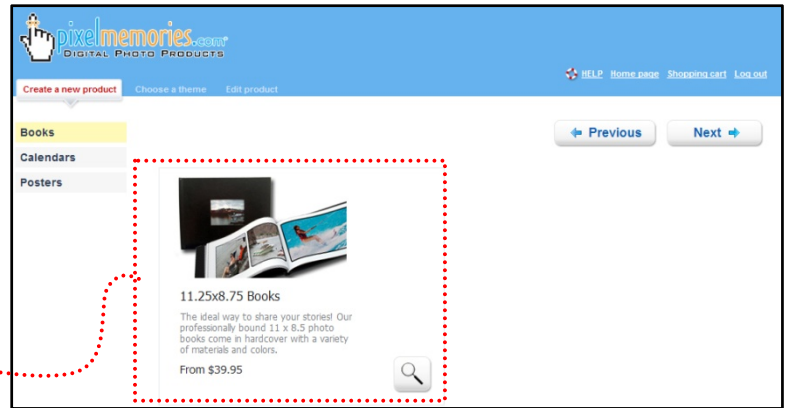
Browse the Bookstore

Just like the rest of the Pixelmemoies.com interface, the Bookstore is completely new. Our team will be updating the Bookstore from time to time with completed projects that you can copy into your account and customize any way you like. So, if you find a great book in there about the Southwest, you might want to copy it into your account and throw some of your own photos into it to make it unique. It is a great place to catch some new ideas too! If you've got some photos that you feel would be great to share in a Bookstore book, just let us know -- sometimes we all can't get that perfect shot!



Create a New Product

Time to make your own custom photo products! When you choose this button, you will be able to see the categories of products available through Pixlmemories.com. For this exercise, we'll assume you will be making a photo book, but the other options are always there and just as fun! Choose the product you'd like to create and either double click or hit the "Next" button to move on.



MAKING YOUR CUSTOM PHOTO BOOK

Wahoo! It's time to make your own book.

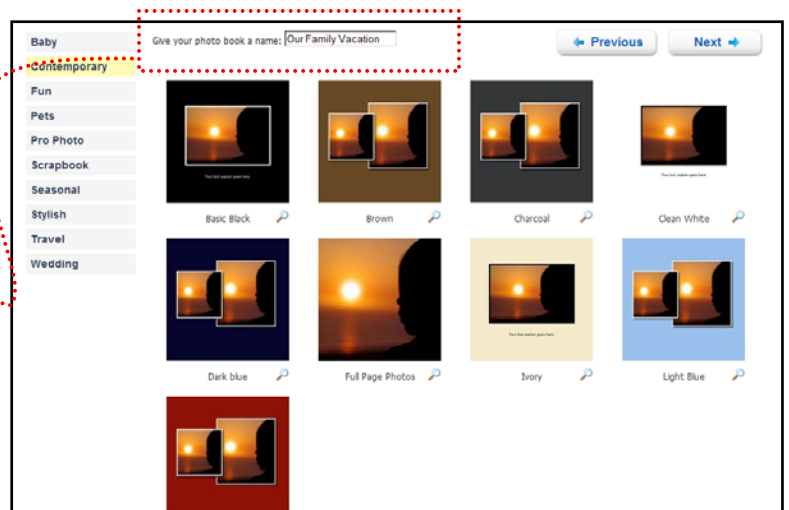
Choosing Your Book

When you're on the *Create a New Product* page, just select the 11 x 8.5 photo book by double clicking on it or selecting it once and hitting "next."

Select "ok" or hit enter on the book product (you will choose your cover type and color later).

Choosing Your Book Theme

Now you are ready to choose the look of your book. Don't forget to give it a name and browse the categories on the left column. If you want to mix your themes up, that's no problem! You may change themes page by page as you create your book. Double click your theme or hit "next" to move on for advanced designing of the book!

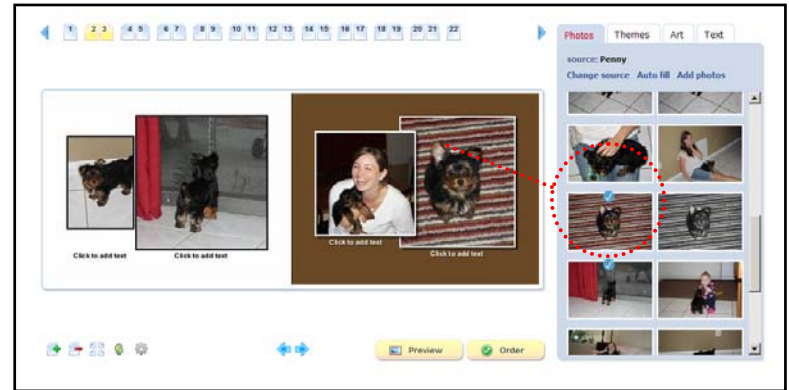
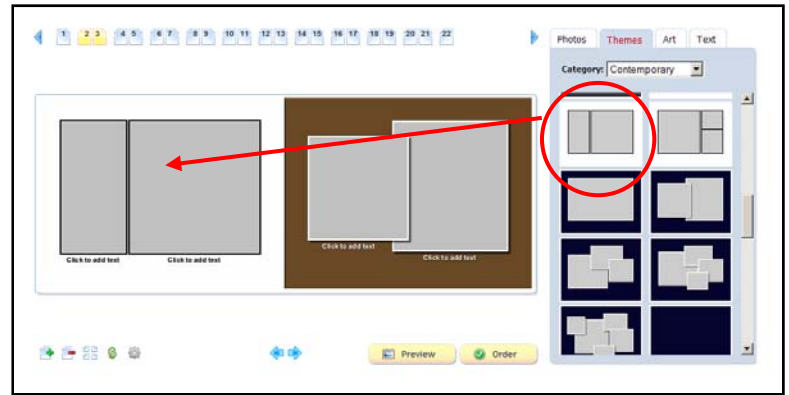


CUSTOMIZING

Now you're looking at a digital version of your photo book. On the right side, there are tabs that show your photos, the different page themes available, art and text options. Any of the tabbed elements can be incorporated into your book by simply clicking, holding and dragging across to the book page you'd like to change; it's just that easy!

This works for any of the elements. To change a page theme, click on the "themes" tab, find the desired theme and drag it into the page you'd like to change.

If you'd like to put a different photo into a page, simply drag the new photo into the frame and it will replace the current photo.

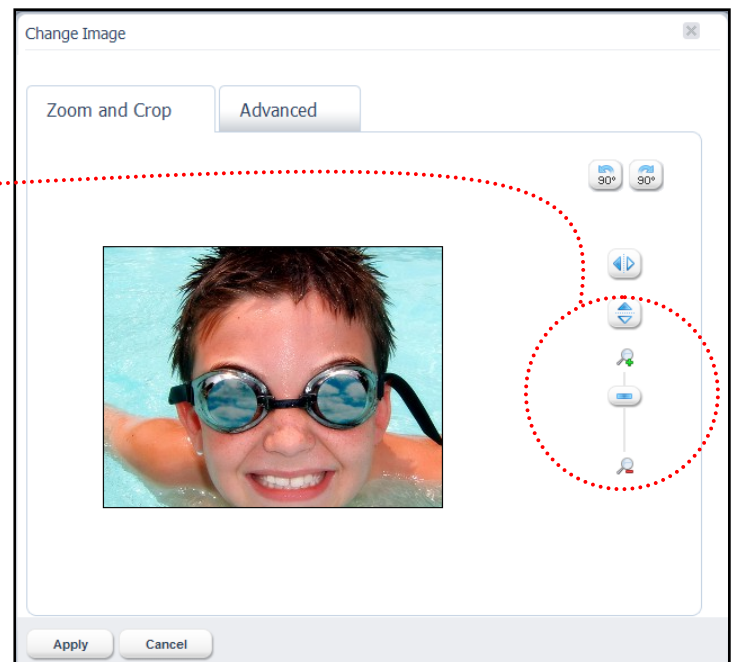
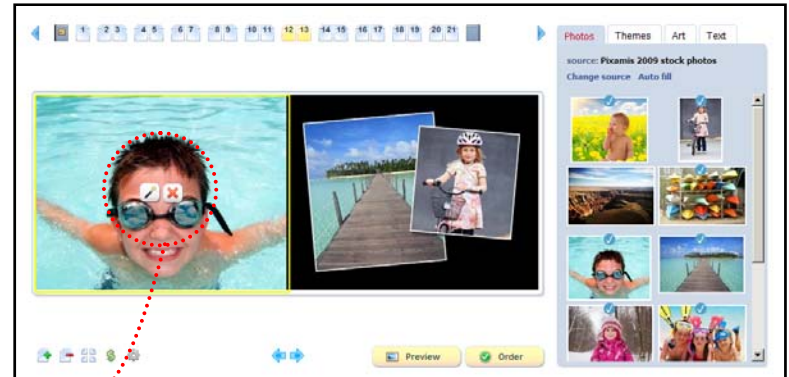


WORKING WITH YOUR PHOTOS

There are many customizing options you might want to look at as you build a book. Scroll to the middle of a photo frame and you'll see two controls, one an X, which is a delete button, and a button with a wand which you may use to further work with the photos. Click on the wand and open the photo control box to zoom and crop your photo and work with the advanced photo features.

Zoom and Crop

To zoom and crop your photos, simply use the sliding bar to the right of the box to zoom the photo in. You will notice how the photo will look in the frame; click on the photo drag it into place to crop. There are also buttons to perform various functions, such as: rotating 90 degrees and horizontal and vertical mirror images. When you are all through working with the image, hit "Apply."



Advanced Image Changing

Click on the advanced tab and you'll find some really fun effects to add some customization to your creation. Change the tone of the image, add fun edge effects, borders, drop shadows and more!

ADDING TEXT AND CAPTIONS

Many theme pages have text boxes you may use to add text and captions to your photo book.

Much like accessing the photo control box, move your mouse to the center of the text box and click on the "T" which will open the text control box.

Just type in the text you'd like to see on the page. Of course, there are options to change the font, size, color and more. Don't forget to hit "Apply" when you are all set.

PRE-VIEWING YOUR CREATION

Check out a preview of your book anytime by hitting the "preview" button and scrolling through. This is also where you'll be choosing your cover type and color. In the top right corner of the preview, you'll see the cover options and them be able to see how it looks. Be sure to give it a good once-over before ordering so everything is just the way you'd like it.

Congratulations!

You've created your own customized photo book; now it's time to order and we'll ship it out in two business days right to your door!

