



# Getting Started

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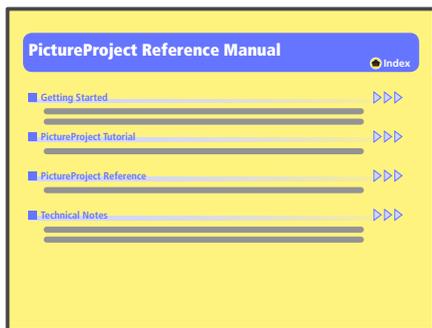
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# Getting Started: *About This Manual*

This manual consists of an index and four chapters. Each chapter begins with a top page listing its contents. To view a topic, click the associated heading in the index or top page.

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## 2 Top page Click a heading



## 3 View a topic Click a heading



To make it easier to find the information you need, the following symbols and conventions are used:



Click to return to the index.



Click to go to the top page for the current chapter.



This icon marks notes, information that should be read before using PictureProject.



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This icon marks tips, additional information that may be helpful when using PictureProject.

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# Getting Started: System Requirements

Before installing PictureProject, be sure that your system meets the following requirements:

	Windows	Macintosh
<b>CPU/Model</b>	300 MHz Pentium or better recommended (550 MHz Pentium III or better for Pictmotion option)	PowerPC G4, G5 Model with built-in USB or FireWire port required
<b>OS<sup>1</sup></b>	Preinstalled versions of Windows XP Home Edition, Windows XP Professional, Windows 2000 Professional	Mac OS X version 10.3.9 or later
<b>Hard-disk space</b>	60 MB required for installation	
<b>RAM</b>	64 MB or more; 128 MB or more with Pictmotion (Windows only) or RAW images	
<b>Video resolution</b>	800 × 600 pixels or more with 16-bit color (High Color/thousands of colors) or more	
<b>Interface<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>USB:</b> Only built-in USB ports supported <b>IEEE 1394:</b> OHCI-compliant IEEE 1394 interface required <sup>1</sup>	<b>USB:</b> Only built-in USB ports supported <b>FireWire:</b> Only built-in FireWire ports supported
<b>Supported cameras</b>	<b>USB:</b> All Nikon digital cameras that support PTP or Mass Storage <b>IEEE 1394/FireWire:</b> D1-series cameras	
<b>Supported formats</b>	All RAW (NEF), TIFF (RGB), and JPEG formats used in Nikon digital cameras, Nikon Capture, Nikon View, and PictureProject	
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CD-ROM drive required for installation. Write-capable drive required for "Burn Disc" function.</li> <li>• Internet connection required for some options. E-mail option requires Internet connection and supported e-mail program.</li> </ul>	

1 For FAQs, software updates, and information on supported operating systems and IEEE 1394 boards, visit the following websites:

Europe,  
Africa

[www.europe-nikon.com/support](http://www.europe-nikon.com/support)

Asia, Oceania,  
Middle East

[www.nikon-asia.com](http://www.nikon-asia.com)

U.S.A.

[www.nikonusa.com](http://www.nikonusa.com)

Additional information may be available from the Nikon representative in your area. Visit <http://nikonimaging.com/> for contact information.

2 Required when transferring pictures to the computer. Connect the camera directly to the computer; do not use a hub or USB keyboard.

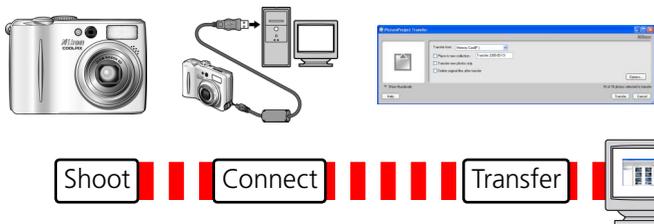
## Other Nikon Software

Uninstall Nikon View before installing PictureProject. Users of Nikon Capture 3 Version 3.5.2 or earlier or Nikon Capture 4 Version 4.0 should visit the websites listed above to upgrade to Nikon Capture 3 Version 3.5.3 or Nikon Capture 4 Version 4.1 or later. RAW images edited in PictureProject will not function as expected when opened in earlier versions of Nikon Capture. See *Guide to Digital Photography* for compatibility between Nikon Capture and your cameras.



# Getting Started: Viewing Pictures in PictureProject

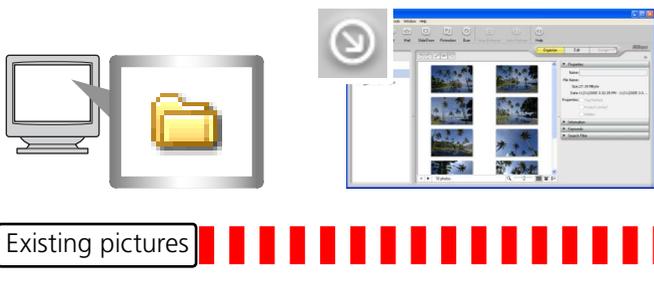
## New pictures



PictureProject automatically catalogs new pictures when they are copied from the camera using *PictureProject Transfer*.

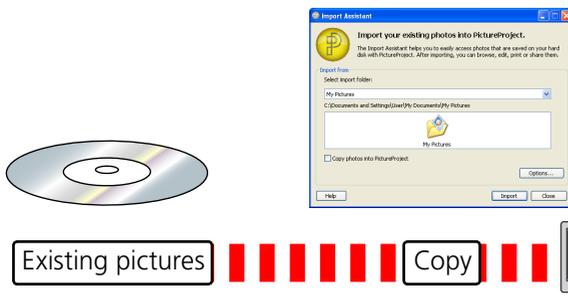
Copies are stored in the folder selected in the "**Transfer Destination**" tab of the "Transfer Options" dialog. The default is the "PictureProject" folder in the "My Documents\My Pictures" or "My Documents" folder (Windows) or the "User/(user name)/Pictures/PictureProject" folder on the start-up disk (Macintosh).

## Existing pictures



Use the button to catalog existing pictures. Once cataloged, pictures are displayed in PictureProject.

## Pictures on removable media



Use the *Import Assistant* to copy pictures to the computer. Copies are automatically cataloged in PictureProject.

Organize mode

Edit mode

Design mode

# Getting Started: *Organize Mode*

Choose organize mode to view pictures and organize them into collections.

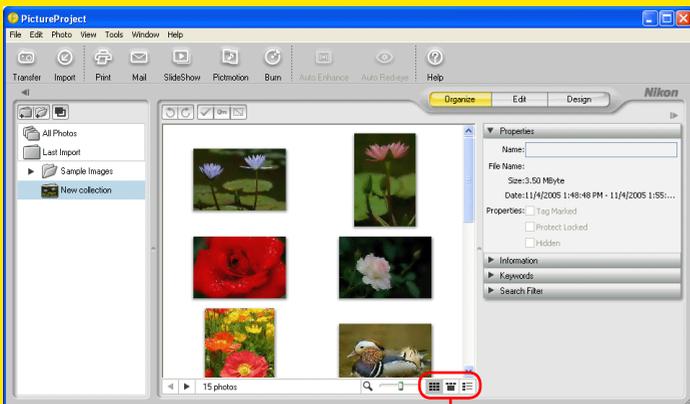
[View photo information](#)

[Find pictures](#)

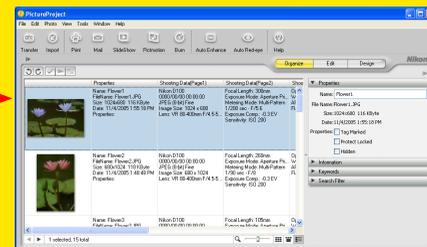
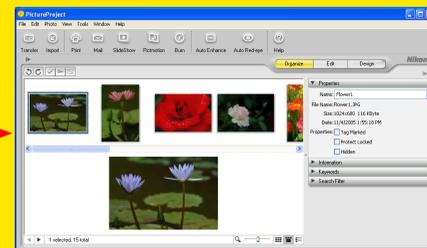
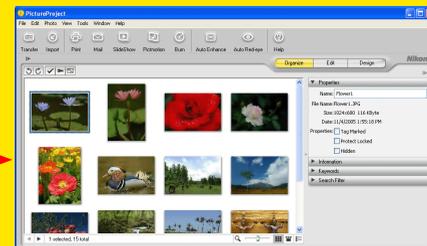
[Organize pictures into collections](#)

[Add keywords to pictures](#)

For more information, see  
**["PictureProject Reference:  
 Organize Mode."](#)**



Click these buttons to  
 choose how pictures  
 are displayed.



Pictures can be displayed  
 as shown at right.

# Getting Started: *Edit Mode*

Choose edit mode to edit pictures.

[Adjust brightness](#)

[Adjust colors](#)

[Sharpen outlines](#)

[Straighten pictures](#)

[Convert to sepia or black-and-white](#)

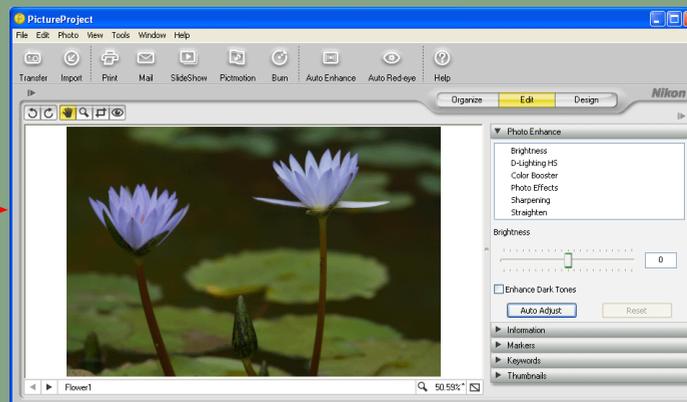
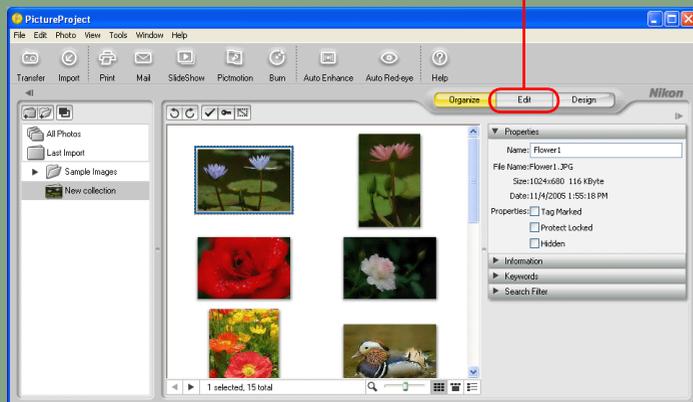
[Adjust tones](#)

[Retouch automatically](#)

[Reduce red-eye](#)

For more information, see  
“[PictureProject Reference:  
Edit Mode.](#)”

Click this button to  
enter edit mode.



# Getting Started: *Design Mode*

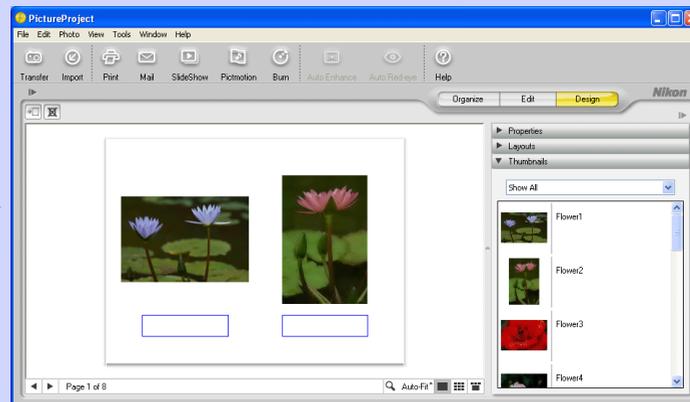
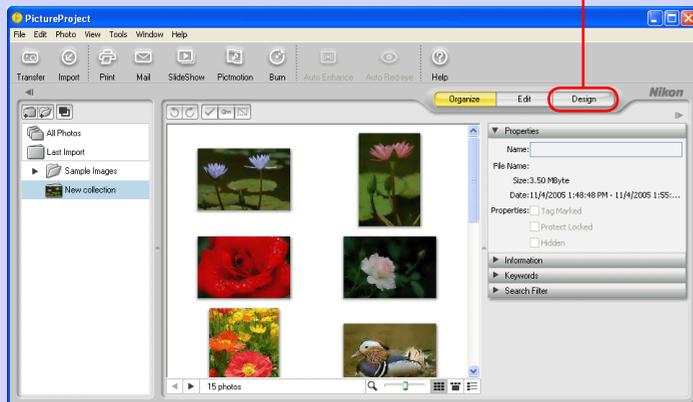
Choose design mode to arrange pictures.

[Arrange pictures](#)

[Add comments to pictures](#)

For more information, see  
“[PictureProject Reference:  
Design Mode.](#)”

Click this button to  
enter design mode.



## Getting Started: *Other Functions*

PictureProject can also be used to:

### **Print pictures**

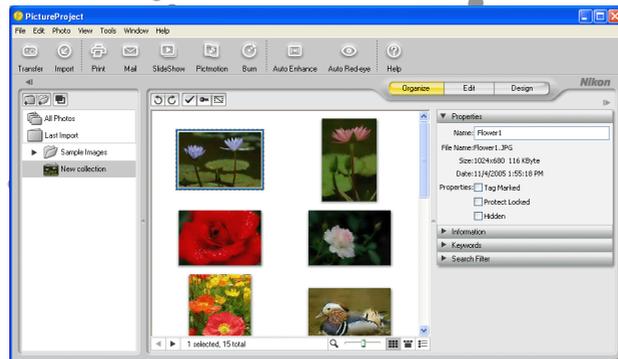
Choose a page size and layout for printing pictures.

### **Send pictures by e-mail**

Append pictures to e-mail messages.

### **Create CDs and DVDs**

Save pictures on CDs or DVDs.



### **View slide shows**

View slide shows with your choice of background music.

### **Pictmotion (Windows Only)**

Join pictures and movies to create a Pictmotion video.



# Getting Started: Starting and Exiting PictureProject

## Starting PictureProject

Follow the steps below to start PictureProject:

### Windows

Click **start** and select **PictureProject > PictureProject** from **All Programs** (Windows XP) or **Programs** (Windows 2000), or double-click the PictureProject shortcut on the desktop.



start menu



PictureProject  
Shortcut icon



PictureProject icon

### Macintosh

Click the **PictureProject** icon in the Dock or open the “Nikon Software/ PictureProject” folder in the “Applications” folder and double-click the **PictureProject** icon.

## Exiting PictureProject

To exit PictureProject:

### Windows

Select **Exit** from the **File** menu.



### Macintosh

Select **Quit PictureProject** from the application menu.



# Getting Started: *The PictureProject Window*

The following window is displayed when PictureProject starts:

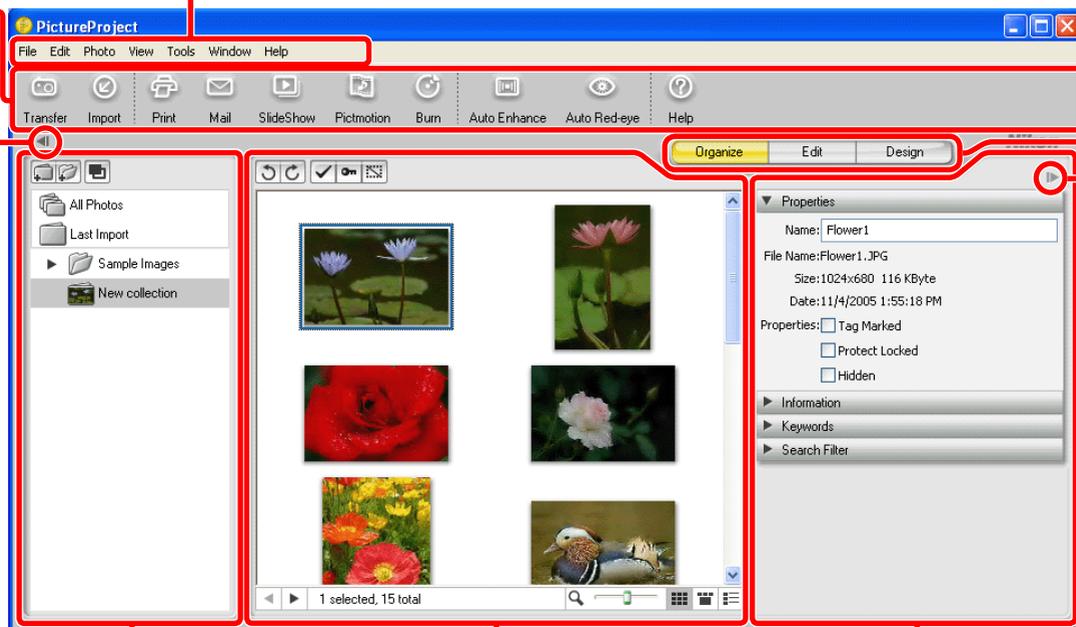
## Menu bar

Contains Picture Project menus.

## Toolbar

Use for quick access to frequently-used options.

Hide collection list and increase the size of the picture list.



## Mode buttons

Switch between organize, edit, and design modes.

Hide palettes and increase the size of the picture list.

## Collection List

Lists the collections and folders in PictureProject.

## Picture List

Lists the pictures in the selected collection or folder.

## Palettes

Most operations in PictureProject are performed using the palettes in this area.