

# Instructions for the Snapseed App

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Snapseed is a photo editor from Google. It is very user friendly and has 29 Tools and Filters.

All you need to begin work are three items: a digital image, the free Snapseed app, and a finger to edit with!

Now...where do you start?

1. Download and install the app! It is available for iPhone and Android.
2. Go to settings (click on the three vertical three dots at the upper right of your screen, select settings, and then format and quality (put to 100%).
3. When you open the app, it shows: "looks", "tools", and "export" at the bottom of the screen and "open" at the top left of the screen. Touch open from "device", "camera" or "open last image" to select your image.
4. "Tools" enables individual edits for your image.
5. In "Tools", if needed: crop, rotate, and or go to healing.
6. Now, go to "Tune Image" (scroll up and down to select what part of this topic you want to work on.
7. As with all areas of "Tools", use your finger to slide to the right or left of the top center line. When you are satisfied with your image, touch the check mark (tick) at the bottom of the screen.
8. White Balance for tint and/or temperature.
9. Tonal Contrast for high, medium, or lows.
10. Portrait mode for photographs of people.
11. Vignette.
12. When starting, avoid these "Tools: HDR scape, Glamour glow, Drama, Vintage, Grainy film, Retrolux, Grunge, and Noir". They are basically presets.
13. Some advanced "Tools" are Brush and Selective tool
14. To see a "before" version of your edit, merely touch and hold your finger on the screen.
15. You can save edits in your photos by choosing "Save as" or in Snapseed by choosing "Save".

## TIPS

Be moderate with edits.

Keep Practicing and learn from successes and mistakes.

Create multiple versions of the same image.

Have fun!