

Windows 7

Quick Reference Card

Windows Explorer

Toolbar

Displays buttons and menus for common commands.

Navigation Pane

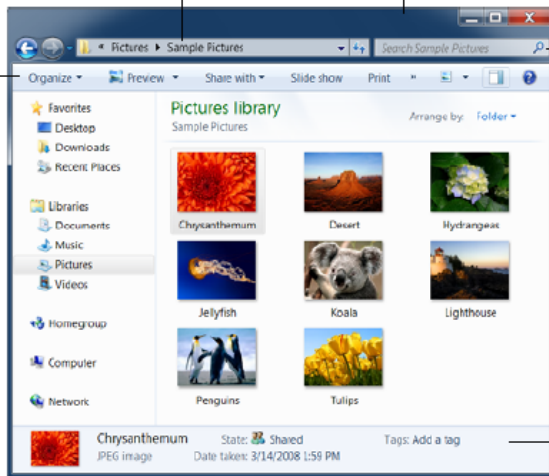
Provides quick navigation to folders and files. Browse to favorite locations, libraries, homegroups, Computer, and the network.

Address bar

Displays the location of the folder that is currently open.

Title bar

Click and drag to move the window.



Search box
Enter keywords to search the folder.

Details pane
Displays details about selected files.

- **To Search for a File or Program on the Computer:** Click the **Start** button, or press **<Windows>**, and type a keyword for the file or program. Search results are displayed in the menu.
- **To Search for a File in a Folder or Library:** Open the folder or library you want to search. Click the **Search box** in the upper right corner of the window and enter keyword(s) for the file you want to find.
- **To Add a Search Filter:** After entering keywords in the Search box, select a filter from the list that appears.
- **To Add a Folder to a Library:** Open the library and click the **locations** link. Click the **Add** button. Select the folder and click **Include folder**.
- **To Create a New Library:** Open **Computer** and select **Libraries** in the Navigation pane. Click the **New library** button on the toolbar. Enter a name for the library press **<Enter>**. Double-click the library and select the folders you want to include.

- **To Change How Items are Displayed:** Click the **Change your view** button list arrow on the toolbar and select a view.
- **To Change Window Layout:** Click the **Organize** button on the toolbar, point to **Layout**, and select a layout option.
- **To Create a Folder:** Click the **New Folder** button on the toolbar. Type a name for the folder and press **<Enter>**.
- **To Use the Address Bar to Navigate:** Click a location on the Address bar to go to view it in the window. Click a location's list arrow to view and open subfolders within the location.
- **To Preview a File:** Click the **Preview Pane** button on the toolbar or press **<Alt> + <P>**. Select the file you want to preview.
- **To View a File or Folder's Properties:** Select the file or folder and view properties in the Details pane.

Keystroke shortcuts

General

- Start menu **<Windows>**
- My Computer **<Windows> + <E>**
- Create new folder **<Ctrl> + <Shift> + <N>**
- Zoom **<Windows> + <+>**
- Connect to projector **<Windows> + <P>**
- Flip 3D **<Windows> + <Tab>**

Window management

- Peek at the desktop **<Windows> + <Space>**
- Show/Hide desktop **<Windows> + <D>**
- Minimize all windows **<Windows> + <M>**
- Minimize other windows **<Windows> + <Home>**
- Maximize **<Windows> + <↑>**
- Minimize/Restore **<Windows> + <↓>**
- Dock to left **<Windows> + <←>**
- Dock to right **<Windows> + <→>**
- Jump to left monitor **<Windows> + <Shift> + <←>**
- Jump to right monitor **<Windows> + <Shift> + <→>**
- Show/Hide Preview Pane **<Alt> + <P>**
- Bring all gadgets to the front **<Windows> + <G>**

Taskbar

- Cycle through icons **<Windows> + <T>**
- Open new instance **<Shift> + click**
- Launch program **<Windows> + <1-9>** (# corresponds to pin order)

Windows Taskbar



Start button:
Opens the Start menu.

Program icon: Click to open the program. Rearrange icons by clicking and dragging.

Window preview:
Point to the program icon on the taskbar. Click a preview thumbnail to view the window.

Show Desktop button:
Point or click here to make open windows invisible.

Notification area: The Action Center, clock, and other system icons are located here.