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How to Transfer Photos From Your PC to Your Mobile Phone

Using an iPhone

With an iPhone, you can tap into iTunes to copy photos from a specific folder on your computer to your phone. Each time you run a sync, the photos from that folder are placed on your phone where you can access them from the Photos app. First open File Explorer or Windows Explorer. Create a new folder to store the photos you want synced from your computer to your iPhone. In my case, I created a folder called Photos for iPhone in my Pictures folder.

Copy the Photos

Then copy the photos you want to sync to your phone to your new folder.

Connect Your Phone

Open iTunes and connect your phone to your PC. In iTunes, click on the icon for your phone.

Sync the Photos

In the Settings section for your phone, click on the entry for Photos. At the Photos screen, check the box to Sync Photos. By default, the location will point to your entire Pictures folder. Click on the drop-down box that says Pictures and select Choose Folder.

Find the Photos

At the File Explorer or Windows Explorer window, browse to and click on the folder that contains the photos you want to sync and then click on the Select Folder button.

Complete the Sync

When you're ready to sync, click on the Apply or Sync button at the bottom of the screen. Wait for the sync to complete.

View the Photos

Open the Photos app on your iPhone. If you're in Albums view, tap on the icon at the bottom for Photos. Swipe through your photos from earliest to latest, and you should see the photos you synced.

Organize your Photos

The dates of the synced photos are based on the dates in which you saved or downloaded them on your computer, so you may have to scour your entire Photos library to see all the synced photos. That's why I created a special album on my iPhone to organize my synced photos.

To do this, click on the Albums icon and then click on the + button at the upper left. Type a name for the album and then tap Save. Now browse through your photos and tap on the ones you want to store in this album. Tap Done. Open your new album, and you'll see all the synced photos. You can then [set up one of the photos as your wallpaper](#).

Using an Android

To transfer photos from your PC on any Android phone, plug your phone into your computer. You may need to connect your phone as a media device so that Windows can access its files.

To do this, swipe down from the top of the screen and tap on the notification for USB connection or USB options. At the USB connection screen, select the option to connect as Media device. Swipe down from the top again, and the same notification should now say that your phone is connected as a media device.

Find Your Android

Open File Explorer or Windows Explorer and segue to PC view to see all your drives and devices. Double-click on the icon for your Android phone.

Find the Photos

Keep drilling down through the folders on your phone until you open the one for Pictures. Now open a second File Explorer or Windows Explorer window and navigate to the folder that contains the photos you want to copy to your phone.

Transfer Photos

Select the photos you want to transfer. Then copy and paste them or drag and drop them into the Pictures folder on your phone.

Set Wallpaper

Segue back to your Android phone. Let's say you want to set up one of the photos as your new wallpaper. Press down on any empty area of the screen until you see the icon for Wallpapers. Tap on that icon. At the wallpaper setup screen, tap on the entry for My photos or From Gallery. Swipe through your photos and you should see the ones you copied. Tap on the one you want to use as your wallpaper and then tap on the option to Set as Wallpaper.

Using a Micro-SD

If your phone has a micro-SD card slot, you can use the SD card to transfer photos from your PC to your phone. Plug your micro-SD card into your computer using the SD card adapter. Open File Explorer or Windows Explorer and copy the files to your SD card.

Move Photos to Phone

Remove the SD card and insert it back into your phone. Hard tap on the screen and tap the Wallpapers icon. Tap the entry for My photos or From Gallery. Tap on the Hamburger icon to access the Open from menu. Tap on the entry for your SD card. You should now see the photos you copied. Tap on the photo you want to use as your wallpaper.

Using Online Storage

Finally, you can also transfer photos from your PC to your iPhone or Android phone using an online storage site. I'll use [Google Photos](#) for this example, but any site accessible from your PC and your mobile phone should do the trick. Upload the photos you want to use on your phone from your PC to Google Photos.

Photo Album

Add the new photos to an album.

Download Photos

Open the Google Photos app on your phone and navigate to the album with the photos you uploaded. Tap on a specific photo. You can then download that photo to your phone to use it as wallpaper or just add it to your mobile photo library.

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