PENCIL PIXELS - ONE CLICK TO DIFFERENT

Information about Pencil Pixels Software

Photoshop Scripts

Elements Scripts

Why scripts?
Pencil Pixels creates scripts that produce effects for Photoshop and Adobe Elements. Scripts allows Pencil Pixels to do more complex effects and access more of the program's features than an action usually can.

Pencil Pixels Scripts are safe to use. Scripts simply playback a set of menu items which are mostly filters, layer opacities and layer blend commands. They do not access anything that Photoshop doesn't have control over. In fact, although creatively sequenced to produce outstanding effects, they are the simplest commands and are completely compatible and functioning in very old versions of Photoshop from the CS3 from 2007 on up. And with some unique application specific code changes, these scripts can also be developed for Adobe Elements as well. Scripts also only use core properties and are language independent. (Layer names and alerts are in English though.)

On the website, we offer Matchprints, Evaluation Scripts, Samples, test image submissions and Trial Scripts so you can try the effects on images you typically use before making a purchase. There isn't a way to completely take back the software product once it is purchased and downloaded. Due to this we adhere to a no refund policy on purchases. However, after a purchase, we will provide full technical support and guidance for our software and replace any non-working or defective product for the systems and versions of Photoshop/Elements software which we support.

Use
These effects produced work best on a wide variety of images from portraits to landscapes in which the subject is prominent and the background is not very distracting. Perfect for Stock Images and presentation assets.

As with images that you have the rights to use, you may freely use your resulting image effects in professional, personal or commercial projects, either in print, presentations or on the internet. We highly recommend looking at the quality and variety of the source images on:
Pexels.com, Pxhere.com, UpSplash.com and Pixabay.com Absolutely Free to use images of excellent quality.

Like our actions, you can vary the resulting effect by modifying the opacity of the different effect layers, or changing the visibility or blend mode of these layers. Freely experiment with the layers to intensify or subdue the effect. Depending on how the effect was developed, various layers will allow you to alter the Color, Texture, Density, Outline, Tone, etc. Adjusting any of the layers, for opacity, visibility or blend mode, changes the appearance and allows you to customize the result.

Pencil Pixels Free Evaluation Scripts
An evaluation version of a script is free, but produces a watermark over the effect. The resulting layers are usually not flattened and there is no size restriction. It is used to evaluate if the effect works to your expectation on the images you typically use. Other than the watermark, it produces the layers and effects that the purchasable unrestricted script produces. Please try the effect on a number of similar files that you would be working with. You are encouraged to do this in order to make your purchase decision.

Pencil Pixels Free Trial Scripts
Trial Scripts have no watermark and no timeout period, but are cropped to a certain size, like 600x600 pixels as an example. If your image is smaller than 600 pixels, a gray border will be added to fill the area to 600x600. If the image is larger, it will crop the image to 600x600 pixels.

The Photoshop layers are typically flattened in the trial version, however, the purchasable scripts will have, if developed with layers, all the layers which can be altered for Color, Texture, Density, Line Tone, etc.

Layered or Flattened Files
For a few of our script effects, we offer both Layered or Flattened Files. If offered, the Flattened file produces the effect and then flattens all layers. This type of file is sold at a reduced cost. The Layered file version retains all the layers that make the effect, as well as adjustment layers that may be included for that script. Adjusting the effects' layers, with opacity, visibility or mode changes can alter the appearance of the effect and allow you to customize the result.

Matchprint Standardization
On the example page of each Script or Action Set on the Pencil Pixels site, we provide an original matchprint and a matchprint made with the specific effect for you to check against with your own system results. When a script produces multiple effects, a single representative matchprint may only be available online. If needed, please contact us for other corresponding match print images.

Using Photoshop Scripts
You select the script in Photoshop through the menu
File >> Scripts >> Browse... and select the script from the folder you've saved them in. On newer versions of Photoshop and Elements, you can simply drag the script onto the Photoshop or Elements Application icon while your image is open. If specified and placed in the scripts folder of the Photoshop or Elements application, you will be able to access some of our scripts through the Apps internal script menu.

Version Compatibility
- Compatible with **Mac OS X and Windows**
- Compatible with the standard installed filters and layer commands of Photoshop CS5.5, through to Creative Cloud (2020 Presently)
- No additional plugins are required.
- Versions of this product may be available for Photoshop, Photoshop Elements or both - Please order the product, if available for your software.
- In Photoshop, it has been tested to work with versions **CS 5.5 thru to CC 2020** (as last tested)
- In Photoshop Elements, it has been tested to work with **version 14 to version 2019** (as last tested).
- Instructions and information files on loading and using scripts come with our scripts.
- Works exceptionally well with portraits, figure studies, and composite artwork
- Best for online sized use when the image is less than 1900x1900 pixels. Viewing and using the result at 100% provides optimum results. Developed for best use for smaller sized online Ads & Banners, Social media posts and Web page art
- Usually for our scripts, there are no additional files to load and will produce the complete effect with just one click.
- To see if these scripts work in previous versions, please download and run evaluation scripts from the PencilPixels.com site. There are a large number of free scripts to test with.

Getting better results. Like any plug-in or action from any other company, images that are blurred, or contain a lot of image noise, or are overly compressed or are very dark and extremely low in contrast, will yield poorer results. Keep that in mind. Changing the visibility or opacity of the resulting Layers will alter the effect. Freely experiment with opacity of layers to intensify or subdue any effect layers. Depending on the effect, various layers allow you to alter the Color, Texture, Density, Outline, Tone, etc. Adjusting any of the layers, for opacity, visibility or blend mode, changes the appearance of the effect and allow you to customize the result.

Using the Script effects with print projects The Pencil Pixels Actions and Scripts are best suited for web, screen size art or for Social Media posts. They can be used for print projects or larger images. Please see details on our website.
http://pencilpixels.com/printing

The quality behind the product - *Why is Pencil Pixels different?*

- The original image is left untouched.
- On sites where our software is sold, we have **five star ratings** from customer feedback for our knowledgable and responsive support services.
- Some effect products ask you to run a multi-instructional action, then use brushes or add backgrounds or use skills to mask or add layers. **We don't.**
- Some effects require you to install software, and provide your password to allow it into your applications folder. **We don't, but you can if you like.**
- Some software is just for Max OS or just for Windows, and there is limited development for Adobe Elements? **We do and We can.**
- Some effects that are sold can only be used on the most recent creative cloud versions, or English language versions, or require updates to newer versions of the application. **We once did, but never since.**
- Some effects only allow you to use on personal work or have limits on distribution. **We don't require that**

Feedback is always welcome let us know if you encounter any problems in running the scripts. If you have any questions about using our software, their compatibility, or terms of use, please contact us through our website; www.PencilPixels.com/contact.

If you encounter a problem, or the Quick Start instructions are causing an error please do the following;
Contact Pencil Pixels and let us know which script software product, what operating system you are running, and what version of Photoshop or Elements you are using. Also, if the error occurs, do a full screenshot of the alert message and with the Layers panel (and if Photoshop, the History panel also) open at the time of the error. This will help us research the cause. We are always here to help and will get you up and running.