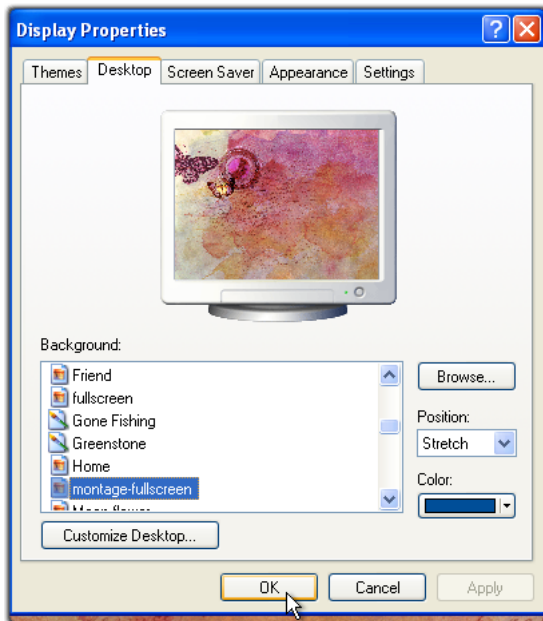


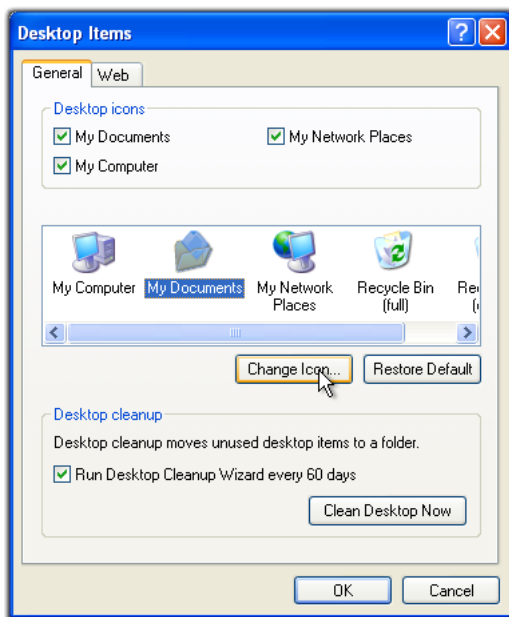
# How to Change the Icons in Windows XP



*Here are the two easiest and most common methods for changing the icons in Windows XP.*

**To change special system icons, such as My Computer, My Network Places or Recycle Bin follow these steps:**

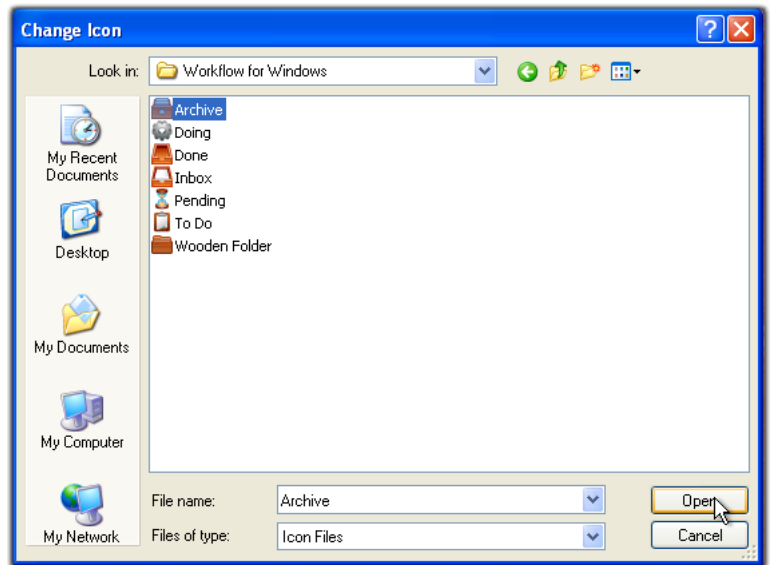
1. Right click on the desktop.
2. Choose Properties from the menu.
3. In the properties dialog select the Desktop tab and then click Customize Desktop.
4. Select the icon you wish to change.
5. Click the Change Icon button to open the icon selection window.
6. In the icon selection window, click the Browse button.



7. Use the file selection dialog to locate to the folder that contains the icons you downloaded.

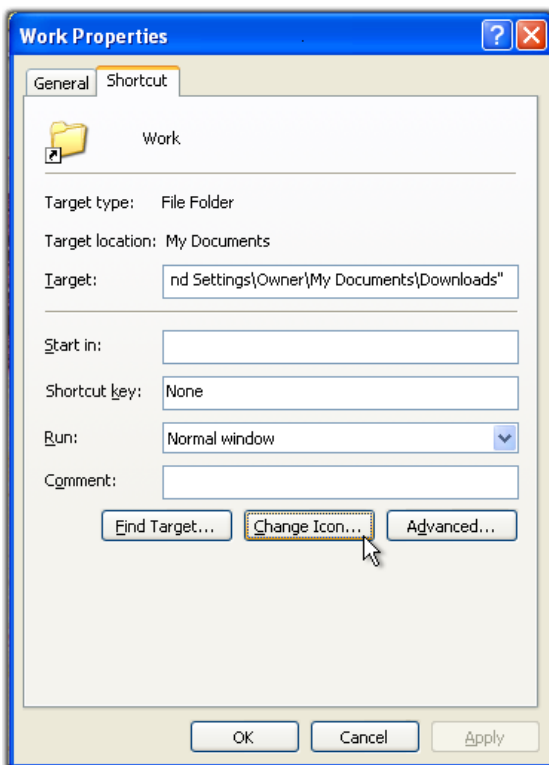
8. Choose the file you want to use as a replacement and click Open.

9. Click OK in the Change Icon window and in the Desktop Icon Settings Window.



## You can also change the icon for a shortcut using these steps:

1. Right click on the shortcut for which you wish to apply a custom icon.
2. Choose properties from the context menu that appears.
3. Click the Shortcut tab at the top of the shortcut's properties window.



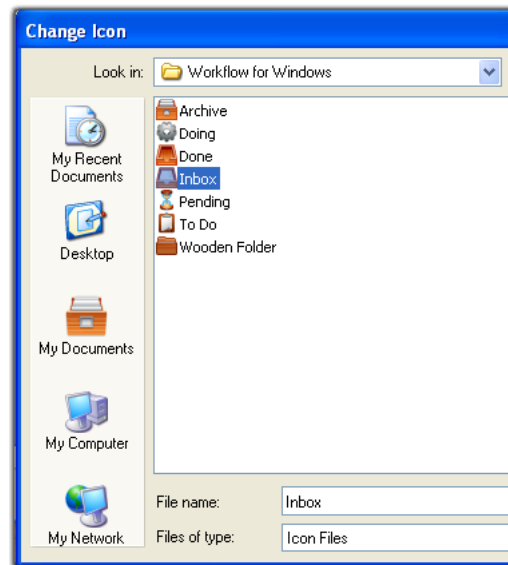
4. Click Change Icon.
5. Click Browse in the Change Icon window.



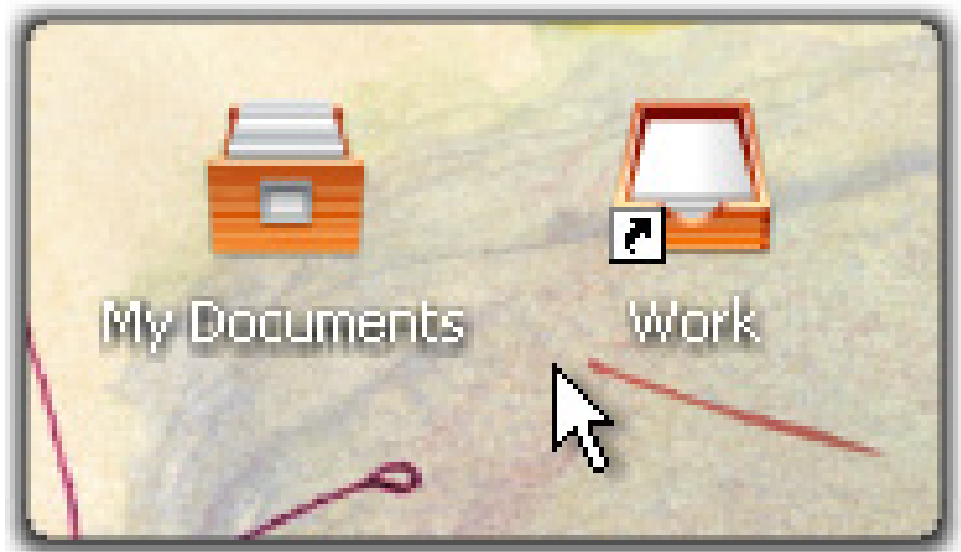
6. Browse to the location of your downloaded icon files.

7. Click on the icon you wish to use and click Open

8. Click OK on the Change Icon Window, and again on the folder's properties window.



Your icons should immediately reflect your changes.



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