

# FastStone – A Free, Fast Image Browser

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FastStone Image Viewer is a fast, stable, and *free* user-friendly image browser, converter, and editor. It has a nice array of features that include image viewing, management, comparison, red-eye removal, emailing, resizing, cropping, and color adjustment.

Its full-screen mode provides quick access to photo information, a thumbnail browser, and major functionalities via hidden toolbars that pop up when your mouse touches the four edges of the screen.

Other features include a high-quality magnifier and a musical slideshow with 150+ transitional effects. It also has lossless JPEG transitions, drop shadow effects, image annotation, scanner support, histogram, and much more.

FastStone supports all major graphic formats (BMP, JPEG, JPEG 2000, animated GIF, PNG, PCX, TIFF, WMF, ICO, and TGA) and popular digital camera RAW formats (CRW, CR2, NEF, PEF, RAF, MRW, ORF, SRF, and DNG).

An added bonus for designers who cannot afford expensive image-editing software, FastStone allows you to save TIFF files that are in RGB to CMYK. This is important when you submit your files to the printer.

<http://www.faststone.org/FSViewerDetail.htm>

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