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Thread: [\[Tut\] How to make any photo Extreme Quality. Better than HD! \[Tut\]](#)

illLusion - October 3, 2011, 4:44 am

Today I will be teaching you how to turn any photo on the web (Even low quality) into what I call EQ, or, Extreme Quality.

Step one: Find an image

I picked this one.

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[img=720x450]<http://www.portwallpaper.com/imgwal/rain-drop-on-a-leaf.jpg>[/img]

Step two: Load your image into photoshop

Step three: Reduce noise

Select the main layer, go to filter> noise> reduce noise

Settings: Spoiler [\(Click to View\)](#)[img]<http://img829.imageshack.us/img829/4224/unledfr.jpg>[/img]

Step four: Duplicate the image 3 times

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Step five: Make the top layer black and white

Go to image> adjustments> black and white

Settings:

-Soft light

-Set this layers opacity to 50%

Step six: Gaussian Blur

Select the next layer and go to Filter> Gaussian blur

Settings:

-Radius to 3 pixels

-Soft light

-Set this layers opacity to 50%

Good job so far, if you are following this tutorial your work should look like mine.

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Step 7: High Pass

Select the last extra layer and go to Filter> High Pass

Settings:

-Radius to 10

-Soft light

-Set this layers opacity to 50%

(optional) Step 8: HDR Toning

Go to Image> Adjustments> HDR Toning

Select yes to flatten image

Then change method to, Exposure and Gamma.

Step 8 or 9: Saving

Now that we have done all this work, we need to export it with max quality. To do this go to File>

Save as web and device

Settings to change:

-PNG 24

-Percent 100

-Quality: Bicubic Smoother

Then click save and enjoy your [EQ] Extreme Quality picture!

End result!:

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This tutorial was made by -Nightmare-.

Do not leak my tutorial, and this tutorial/thread took me a good hour or two so please leave a reply!

Enjoy everybody!

Credits to 'Decept ?' for making the a [tutorial](#) on Step 3.

Originality - October 3, 2011, 5:08 am

Haha, just tried this out. Not a bad method. I look forward to seeing more image tuts like this in this section.

thumbs up

Harelp - October 3, 2011, 7:25 am

the pictures quality doesn't gets better by reducing noise, and then look at your picture quality it get more darker,

but i really admire that you brought an awesome tutorial.

illLusion - October 3, 2011, 6:41 pm

In my opinion the picture is extremely sharp, great shadow depth, and etc.

moonwalk - October 3, 2011, 11:30 pm

That was really great....!!!

I enjoyed it and made many images of EQ..

Thanx a lot....!!

Alpha Geek - October 4, 2011, 5:44 am

Wow this works extremely well! Do you mind if I share this with my class at BOCES?

Before:

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After:

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Alpha Geek - October 4, 2011, 7:45 am

(Oct 4, 2011 07:08 AM)-Nightmare- Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) No problem with me, try to credit me any way you'd like. :)

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illLusion - October 4, 2011, 6:55 pm

(Oct 4, 2011 07:45 AM)Alpha Geek Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I posted your HF name and the site name. This tutorial is amazing! my teacher even said so ?

Sweet, what a cool thing to do haha.

Alpha Geek - October 5, 2011, 4:31 pm

[IMG]<http://i296.photobucket.com/albums/mm189/Jamoneycarr/bike-stunts-hd-wallpapers-widescreen-resize-compare.jpg>[IMG]

There we go :) a much better picture comparison :p

Toys™ - October 5, 2011, 4:52 pm

That is pretty amazing. Nice comparison with the motor bikes dude

Doesnt work as great as i thought it would for pictures that arent already somewhat HD

Hachikuji Mayoi - October 5, 2011, 5:43 pm

This is beast c:

Thank you so much bro!

Alpha Geek - October 5, 2011, 5:52 pm

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Thanks. And the first pic was already HD. It made it quiet a bit better, wouldn't you say?

jokerwitz - October 5, 2011, 6:15 pm

I tried this out :D

Before:

After:

Alpha Geek - October 5, 2011, 6:19 pm

(Oct 5, 2011 06:15 PM)jokerwitz Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I tried this out :D

Before:

After:

Slight differences, But in the end, the EQ pic looks better :D

illLusion - October 5, 2011, 6:22 pm

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Alpha Geek - October 5, 2011, 6:24 pm

(Oct 5, 2011 06:22 PM)-Nightmare- Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Happy people are trying out EQ, glad everybody can understand it! The second picture slightly better! EQ all the way ;).

I can do EQ without the tut now, and my teacher wants me to teach it to the 2nd year Students in my BOCES class (I being one of them) and to her :D

n31ght0 - October 5, 2011, 7:40 pm

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heres the result of mine

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n31ght0 - October 5, 2011, 9:26 pm

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thank you ?

illLusion - October 5, 2011, 9:33 pm

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hah ??
same with me. i foolow the step it too.
same setting.
but why we get a diff result :(
may be because u using CS5 :(

Eclipse - October 5, 2011, 11:39 pm

Thank you for this tutorial. I'll be using this alot more on my photos.

?????-- - October 6, 2011, 1:41 pm

Or you use actions from gorfy or what ever for HDR.

Wheelz - October 6, 2011, 5:39 pm

Nice tutorial man, it will be nice to have better quality pictures for Photography class.

triplex-x - October 7, 2011, 1:16 am

awesome tut it really help me a lot, and thanks for sharing cool tut.

Maradonnie - October 8, 2011, 8:25 am

Will post my results in a sec, doing it now!

Edit: crashed my photoshop while saving, the picture already was like 7mb. Gunna make it smaller at the begin.

Edit2:

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Picture 2 (200KB):
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Don't really like the outcome, but I may have just done something wrong.

Lonny Breaux - October 8, 2011, 9:12 am

Thanks for this!
Very nice tut. Gonna test it out soon.(:

VArTEx - October 8, 2011, 9:13 am

Alpha geek nice example :) Better example then author of this topic :)

?S1NGH? - October 10, 2011, 9:02 am

Wow, nice TUT bra. This will definitely help me making some HD wallpapers.
Thanks for sharing.

kieranlavelle - October 10, 2011, 10:38 am

thanks man this look's quite nice I may have to try it

Jakebobjo - October 11, 2011, 4:38 am

Nice tutorial, some photos don't change much but the ones that do look pretty good(:

lordfree - October 11, 2011, 8:47 am

good to see something like this :) not bad filtering method^^

Clones - October 11, 2011, 10:54 pm

This is really a very nice thread, thanks for sharing with us :)

Dreams - October 19, 2011, 6:37 pm

looks very nice, might try this if i have time

tssge - October 21, 2011, 5:28 pm

It is kind of funny, that this method makes details disappear from darker sections of the image. So in fact you are making the quality worse with these settings. You might like the dark style, but it has nothing to do with quality going better.

hackeye - October 23, 2011, 11:10 am

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Waka Flocka - October 23, 2011, 11:14 am

doesnt really make the quality better your just darkening it

PNT101 - October 23, 2011, 2:11 pm

Whoa amazing! Thanks alot. Just tried it and it does a great job.

Whats a username - October 26, 2011, 1:20 pm

Very nice tut it increased the looks of a graphic i made by at least twice.

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Nvidia - October 27, 2011, 1:04 pm

Thanks. This is a very cool tutorial. Will try this method in a stock!

Twisted The Shitty - October 27, 2011, 3:43 pm

Excellent Tut! I its an awesome technique and I will use it. :P

Mr.BTC - October 27, 2011, 11:52 pm

Thanks bro i subscribe here lol gonna try this tomorrow :)

Alienguy - October 28, 2011, 5:07 am

Really nice tutorial , Thanks a lot dude .

2k SUBBER'z - November 1, 2011, 9:19 am

Very good thread, and tutorial too. If you can say that, worked for me.
But, there is a more easy way :).

2cool4skool - November 1, 2011, 11:11 am

This is a really great method, thanks for sharing!

Lukas - November 1, 2011, 12:45 pm

Good Tutorial.. but Extreme Quality? I wouldn't call it that, maybe a little better than HD :)

monkiface - November 1, 2011, 1:48 pm

Or you could just increase contrast a bit in image>adjustments>brightness and contrast.

Mine came out a bit greener (the one on the right), you could just lower the vibrance a bit to make it same.

I started working from the original image. Similar result.

PoS3!DoN - November 1, 2011, 9:18 pm

Nice tutorial mate....I like this...Thank you for sharing this.....:)