

Panorama Maker® 5 Pro



USER MANUAL



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1. Introduction

Installation

System Requirements

Key Features

Welcome to Panorama Maker® 5 Pro. Panorama Maker 5 Pro transforms your photos and videos into panoramic masterpieces.

This Introduction covers the installation for Panorama Maker 5 Pro, the system requirements, and provides a list of the key features for this application. Included in this manual are the six steps needed to create a panorama, instructions on how to organize, view, and search for your media files easily and quickly, and a description of the menu commands. Troubleshooting questions are also provided.

1.1 Installation

- 1. Insert the CD into your CD-ROM drive.
- 2. The installer should start automatically.
- 3. Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the installation.
- 4. When prompted, enter the license key located on the sleeve in which your software CD came in.

Take note as to where the program is installing and where it can be found in the Start menu.

Note: If the installer does not start automatically, you will need to run it manually:

- 1. Insert the CD into your CD-ROM drive.
- 2. Click Start>Run.
- In the Run dialog, type "X:/setup.exe". ("X" is the drive letter associated with your CD-ROM drive. This letter will vary from system to system.)
- 4. Click OK.
- Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the installation.

System Requirements 1.2

Minimum System Requirements

For Windows:

OS Windows 7/XP/Vista

CPU Intel Pentium IV 2.4 GHz or equivalent AMD

Athlon®

512 MB DDR RAM or above Memory

Hard disk space 60 MB free hard disk space required for

program installation

Display 16-bit color display at 800 x 600 with DirectX

3D support (Geforce 6800, ATI 9550 or above)

Multimedia

Development

Tools

Microsoft DirectX 9.0 or higher Apple QuickTime® 6.0 or higher

For Mac:

Macintosh OS 10.4, 10.5, 10.6 OS

CPU Power PC or Intel Mac

Memory 512 MB DDR RAM or above

Hard disk space 100 MB free hard disk space required for

program installation

1.3 Key Features

- Powerful File Management with ratings and tags
- Auto select a series of photos by EXIF information
- Automatically analyzes and stitches photos together
- Automatically analyzes the video frame and stitches as a panorama
- Editing tools for fine-tuning of final panoramic image
- Add personal text and a colored frame to your masterpieces
- Preview stitched result in your still images and video clips before you save them
- Exports the result to many formats such as QuickTime movie, PT Viewer, and Flash
- Professional panorama print service provided within the program
- Order your panorama online for professional output
- Broader RAW format support

2. Creating a Panorama

Panorama Maker 5 Pro is a powerful digital imaging application that transforms media files into spectacular panoramic fine art photographs.

This section explains how to create a panorama in just six steps.

Steps include:

- 1. Browsing and Selecting
- 2. Stitching Media Files
- 3. Confirming Sequence
- 4. Fine-Tuning and Enhancing
- 5. Saving and Exporting
- 6. Printing or Ordering

2.1 Step 1 - Browsing and Selecting

Step 1 explains how to preview and select media files for stitching. The Folders view, located in the Left Pane, displays your files based on their location on your hard drive.

Instructions on opening an existing panorama are also included, along with an explanation on the tools located in the Preview Area.

To browse and select:

- From the Folders Menu, browse to the desired folder and select the photos and video files you want to make into a panorama. The media files display in the Preview Area.
- From the Preview Area, select the photos or video file to stitch. The selected media files display with a white frame.

There are several ways to select media files:

- Hold down the Ctrl key and click the photos or video file.
- Press the mouse key and drag the mouse over the desired media files.
- To select all media files, click the Select All toggle located at the bottom left of the Preview Area.
- Check the Auto-Select by Group checkbox, located at the top right of the Preview Area. By checking this box, the program automatically selects the related photos to stitch together.

To open an existing panorama:

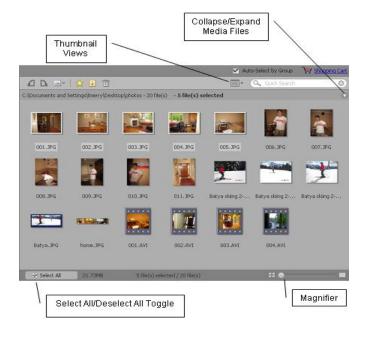
- 1. From the Files Menu, select **Open Panorama**. The Open Panorama dialog box displays.
- Browse to the desired folder and select the photos and video files you want to make into a panorama. The media files display in the Preview Area.
- From the Preview Area, select the photos or video file to stitch. The selected media files display with a white frame.

Tools in the Preview Area include:

View By - Select either the **Thumbnail** or **Thumbnail+Details** option. The Thumbail+Details option displays detailed information about the media file.

Magnifier - Slide the slider to increase or decrease the size of the media files.

Note: Mousing-over a photo enlarges the photo. By mousingover a video, you can preview the video.



Preview Area with Callouts

2.2 Step 2 - Stitching Media Files

After selecting the media files for your panorama, the next step is to select the Stitch Mode. For each style of panorama that can be created with the software, there is a corresponding Stitch Mode. Instructions for stitching photos and a video file are provided in this section.

Note: Stitch mode options do not apply for video files.

For more information on the specific stitch mode, see Stitching Tools.

To stitch photos:

1. From the Stitch Mode toolbar, located at the bottom left-side of the Preview Area, click the small arrow next to the Auto button to expand the toolbar and reveal all stitching modes.



2. Select the desired stitch mode and click **Next**.

Stitch Modes for photos include:



Automatically analyzes and stitches photos into a perfect panorama.



Stitches photos in a horizontal row. This mode is ideal for capturing vast landscapes and city skylines.



360°

Stitches photos in a horizontal set that completes a full circle around the photographer's position.



Tile

Stitches a group of images and lines them up as tiles with up to 16 photos stitched at one time.



Vertical Vertical

Stitches photos as a vertical column.

To stitch a video file:

- 1. After selecting the desired video file from the Preview Area, click **Next**. The Preview Screen displays.
- Preview the video using the playback controls. Click the Super Resolution checkbox to create a clearer panorama. Click the Stitch button.

Playback controls include:



Play/Pause - Plays and pauses the selected video file.



Stop - Stops the selected video file.

2.3 Step 3 - Confirming Sequence

Step 3 allows you to make sure that your photos are in the proper sequence before stitching them together. The Stitch screen displays the thumbnails in the sequence that the photos will be stitched.

To confirm the sequence:

- 1. To change the order of the photos, drag and drop the thumbnails into their proper order. The full-size photos can also be dragged.
- To automatically sort the selected photos, click the Auto-Order button.
- To add a photo, click the Add button. The Add Photos dialog box displays. Select the photo and click Open. The selected photo is listed in the sequence.
- To remove a photo from the sequence, select the photo and click the **Remove** button. The original file is not deleted from your computer.
- After confirming that the photos are in their proper sequence, click the **Stitch** button.

Notes:

- For 360° panoramas, you must select six or more photos.
- For Tile panoramas, select photos to complete a block: 2x2, 3x2, 4x4. Drag and drop the thumbnails in the correct order.

2.4 Step 4 - Fine-Tuning and Enhancing

Once your panorama is created, you can then use the several tools in Panorama Maker to edit and enhance the panorama.

For detailed information on each tool, see Fine-Tune Tools. For a description of the preview tools, see View Menu.

To fine-tune your panorama:

- Click the **Crop** checkbox to invoke a red crop indicator box over the stitched image. Define the crop area by clicking and dragging the red box to the desired location. When you preview or save the panorama, the area inside the crop box is kept. Uncheck the Crop checkbox to preview or save the entire panoramic image as-is.
- Click the **Straighten** button to rotate the panorama image so it appears level. Rotate the panorama until the horizon line (or other indicator) appears parallel with the lines on the grid. Click **Apply** or **Cancel**.
- 3. Click the **Brightness and Contrast** sliders to change the brightness or color contrast of the panorama.
 - To brighten the panorama, drag the slider to the right; to darken it, slide it to the left. For contrast, drage the slider to the right to gradually make the image sharper; to the left to make it look flatter. Click **Apply** or **Cancel**.
- 4. Click the Manual button to display the Manual Fine-Tune tools which allow you to manually adjust the "gap" between images in order to make the panorama appear seamless. This feature is not used for videos. For more information on these tools, refer to Manual Tools.
- Click the **Frame** button to display the Frame screen which allows you to add a frame, title, and copyright information to the panorama.

2.5 Step 5 - Saving and Exporting

There are several options when saving your final panorama. You can save it as a flash, a movie - making it easy to share and upload to a website - or as a professional-looking photo. You can also choose how to save the panorama; in the highest quality or as a compressed file which is ideal for emailing to friends and family.

To save the panorama:

- Click the **Save** button to to display the Save dialog box.
 Select the desired options. For more information, see the Save dialog box field descriptions.
- 2. Click OK.

Notes:

- Vertical style panoramas cannot be saved as QuickTime movies or html files.
- In order for the QuickTime output option to display, Apple QuickTime must be installed.
- PTViewer is a free and popular html panorama viewer. It is available on the web.

2.6 Step 6 - Printing or Ordering

Once your ready to print your panorama, you can either print the photos from your printer or use the online printing service built directly within the program to give you professional-looking photos.

The **Order Panorama** module lets you order and print a panorama quickly and easily through the online print service. Ordered prints are delivered to your address.

To print a panorama:

- Click the **Print** button. The image is displayed along with options listed on the right side of the screen.
- Select the desired Paper Size and Page Layout from the drop-down list box. Layout options are generated automatically based on the resolution of the panorama.
- 3. Move the slider to change the print size of the panorama.
- 4. Click the **Printer Setup** button to launch the Printer Setup window where you can select a printer, paper size and orientation. Click **Properties** to change the settings for the active printer. Consult your printer's manual to learn how to optimize settings for photo printing.
- 5. Click the **Print** button to print the panorama.

Note: Print quality is determined by many factors (photo quality, photo resolution, print size, printer settings, ink, paper, print nozzle condition, etc.). For best results, consult your printer's manual to learn how to get the best results from your printer. It is always best to use ink and paper recommended for your printer.

To order a panorama:

- 1. Click the **Order Panorama** button. The Panorama Print Center screen displays.
- 2. Select a paper style on which you would like to print your panorama: Matte, Glossy, and Metallic.
- 3. Select a print size and quantity for your panorama.
- 4. Click the Shopping Cart or Order History link to view your shopping cart or your order history.
- Click Add to Cart. In the shopping cart, the order is listed with its related information. You can also edit, add or remove your order.
- Click Check Out. Enter your billing address, personal information, shipping information, and select a shipping method from the list.
- Select a payment method and enter all relevant information. The order summary and other information is listed for your confirmation.
- Click **Submit**. A progress bar displays at the bottom right corner of the screen with the order number and the progress percentage of the uploaded photos.

When the upload is complete, an email confirming your order will be sent to your email on file with all of the required order information

3. Managing Media Files

Panorama Maker Pro 5 provides a powerful media management function which helps you organize, view, and search for your photos and videos easily and quickly. Files are organized into libraries that can be rated or tagged for quick location. Thumbnails allow you to preview the files before you open them.

The first time you use the program, Folders is the primary view. You can display other views by selecting the specific icon. If you want to close a certain view, you can either click the Close icon in that view or deselect its icon.

Views include:

- Folders
- Favorite Folders
- Rating
- Tags
- Activity History
- Calendars
- Import History
- Saved Selection Criteria

Note: The width of the Views can be adjusted by clicking and dragging the bar that divides the Views from the Preview Area.



The **Folders** view is where you can browse for media files using a classic Windows style folder tree view.

Selecting a folder displays its contents. Media files are displayed in the Preview Area and sub-folders are shown in the Folders view.

Folders view options are available by clicking the **Options** icon or by right-clicking within the Folders view. Options include: cut, copy, paste, delete, or rename the selected folder. Options also include inserting a new folder into the selected folder and adding the selected folder to your Favorite Folders.

You can move a folder by dragging and dropping it to another place within the Folders view.

You can also move media files from the active folder by dragging thumbnails from the Preview Area to another place within the Folders view.

The **Favorite Folders** view contains the media files that you like most. You can add the folders in Folders view to your Favorite Folders by dragging and dropping them.

Selecting a folder displays its content. Media files are displayed in the Preview Area and subfolders are shown in the Favorite Folders view.

Options for the Favorite Folders view are available by clicking the **Options** icon or by right-clicking the folder. Options include: deleting the folder from Favorite Folders, inserting a new folder, renaming the folder, relinking the folder if you have moved it, and refreshing the folder content.

The **Rating** view provides a unique way to manage and search your media files, based on five levels of ratings.

To set the rating for a file, select either a photo or video in the Preview Area. Click the **Attach Rating** icon (star icon located at the top of the Preview Area). You can also right-click and select a rating from the Attach Rating sub-menu, drag the selected file to a rating in the Left Pane, or drag a rating to the selected file.

In the Rating view, select to display the rated or unrated files in the active folder.

The **Tags** view provides a list of tags that you can use to categorize your media files. By attaching tags to your media files, you can quickly and easily search for your media files that pertain to specific events, people, or trips.

To set the tag for a file, select a photo or video in the Preview Area. Click the Attach Tags icon (located at the top of the Preview Area). You can also right-click and select a tag from the Attach Tags sub-menu, drag selected files to a tag, or drag a tag to selected files.

In the Tags view, select to display the files with specific tags in the active folder.

Tags view options are available by clicking the **Options** icon or by right-clicking within the Tags view. The options let you create new tags and tag categories. You can also edit the selected tag by renaming or deleting it.

The **Activity History** view actually is a database which can record the user's operation history automatically. You can quickly and easily search for your media files according to the operation date and type.

In the Activity History view, files are displayed based on the user's operations chronologically.

The **Calendars** view uses the file's created date (shot time for EXIF images) to organize your media files.

In the Calendars view, you can switch between *Year Mode*, *Month Mode*, *Day Mode*, and *Tree Mode* by using the options icon. Then select a year, a month, or a day to display all media files that were created or last modified for the selected mode.

The **Import History** view gives you a convenient way to browse for media files based on how and when you first copied them to your computer.

In the Import History view, select the date to view the media files.

The **Saved Selection Criteria** view saves the set of conditions you have selected in the other views. This way, the next time you use the program, you can easily recreate your selection. For example, you might use the Rating view to select 3-star files and the Tags view to select files tagged *Vacation*. Use the Saved Selection Criteria view to save this set of conditions.

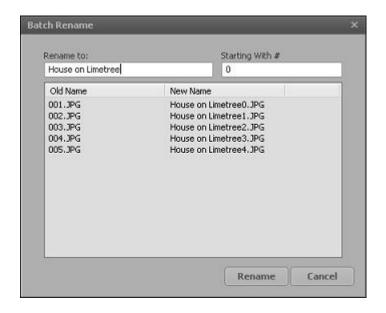
Click the Save Conditions icon to save the current selection criteria and label it with the date and time.

To view a saved selection, just select the saved selection in the Saved Selection Criteria view. To delete a saved selection, select it and click the **Delete** icon.

The **Batch Rename** icon, located at the top of the Preview Area, allows you to rename several media files at one time. Click the icon to display the Rename Batch dialog box.

Type the new name of the group of media files in the **Rename to** text box. You can also select the number of the specific photo or video. Click the **Rename** button and the media files selected are displayed with the new name.

Batch Rename Dialog Box



Batch Rename Dialog Box

4. Menu Commands

This section provides detailed explanations of the menu commands in Panorama Maker 5 Pro.

Menu commands include:

- File
- View
- Extras
- Help

4.1 File Menu

The File menu contains commands for creating a new panorama, opening a previously saved panorama, and saving your panorama as a photo, a flash, or a movie. You can then share and upload your panorama to a website.

The following commands are listed on the File Menu:

- New Panorama
- Open Panorama
- Save Panorama
- Fxit

New Panorama (Ctrl+N)

Select this command to begin creating a new panorama. See Step 1 for specific instructions.

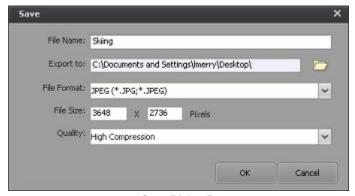
Open Panorama (Ctrl+O)

Select this command to open an existing panorama. Navigate to the desired file and click **Open**. You can make refinements to the panorama or print it.

For more information on fine-tuning your panorama, see Fine-Tuning Tools. To print the panorama, see Print Tools.

Save Panorama (Ctrl+S)

Launches the Save dialog box. Select the desired options and click $\mathbf{OK}.$



Save Dialog Box

The Save Dialog Box fields include:

File Name - Type the file name of your panorama.

Export to - Click the folder icon to browse to the desired location and click **OK**.

File Format - Select the desired format from the drop-down list box.

Options include:

JPEG, TIF, BMP, TGA, QuickTime (.mov), PTViewer (.htl, .html), or Flash (.htm, .html).

Notes:

- Vertical style panoramas cannot be saved as QuickTime movies or html files.
- In order for the QuickTime output option to display, Apple QuickTime must be installed.
- PTViewer is a free and popular html panorama viewer. It is available on the web.

File Size - Enter the specific resolution (width*height) to define a file size.

Quality - Choose a suitable file quality from the drop-down list box.

Options include:

- Excellent Quality
- Good Quality
- Good Balance
- Normal Compression
- · High Compression

Note:

A larger quality setting, such as Excellent Quality and Good Quality, saves a larger file size. A lower quality setting, such as High Compression, saves a smaller sized file. For example, if you want to reduce the file size to email the panorama, choose the High Compression option.

Exit

Closes the program.

4.2 View Menu

The View menu contains commands for managing the image display after creating the panorama.

Tools to fine-tune your panorama image are displayed in this mode. See Fine-Tune Tools for more information.

The following commands are listed on the View Menu:

- Zoom In
- Zoom Out
- Full Screen Preview

Zoom In (Ctrl++)

Zooms in to view image details.

Zoom Out (Ctrl+-)

Zooms out to view image in a bigger scale.

Full Screen Preview

View your panorama in full screen to see how it will look when it is saved. The following toolbar is available while in Full Screen Preview mode:





Zoom Out

Zooms out to show more photo.



Zoom In

Zooms in to show more detail.



Actual Size

Preview the panorama at 100%. A navigator box displays if the actual panorama size is larger than the preview screen. Drag the red box inside the Zoom Navigator to move the current viewing area and view its details.



360 Preview

Toggles between Regular Preview Mode and 360 degrees Preview Mode. This option does not display for vertical panoramas.

Click the photo and hold down the mouse to display a black arrow. Move the mouse in either direction to rotate the view as if you're looking around.



Close

Exits Full Screen Preview mode.

4.3 Extras Menu

The Extras menu gives you access to valuable services and related product information. In order to access these options, an Internet connection is required.

More ArcSoft Products

Get special deals on related software.

Updates and Patches

Check to see if a free update or patch is currently available for the software.

Send Us Feedback

Tell us what you think about the software - good or bad.

Visit ArcSoft.com

Go to www.arcsoft.com to learn more about the company and our products.

4.4 Help Menu

The Help menu contains commands for opening the help file, tips for taking excellent panoramas, a checklist, and the About screen.

Help

Launches the Online Help.

Hot to Shoot Photos for Great Looking Panoramas

Displays information on ideal camera settings, using a tripod, creating photo groups, and more. These tips can be printed or displayed at startup.

Print a Photo Shooting Checklist

Displays a bulleted checklist of the tips needed to take beautiful panoramas.

About Panorama Maker 5 Pro

Launches the product splash screen which contains version and copyright information about the software.

5. Fine-Tune Tools

There are several tools available so you can edit and enhance your panorama.

For tools to help you view your panorama see sections on Viewing Tools and View Menu.

The Fine-Tune tools include:

- Crop
- Straighten
- Brightness/Contrast
- Manual Fine-Tune Tools
- Frame, title, and copyright

Crop - Check the Crop checkbox to invoke a red crop indicator box over the stitched image. Define the crop area by clicking and dragging the red box to the desired location. When you preview or save the panorama, the area inside the crop box is kept. Uncheck the Crop checkbox to preview or save the entire panoramic image as-is.

Straighten - The Straighten control enables you to rotate the panorama image so it appears level. Rotate the panorama until the horizon line (or other indicator) appears parallel with the lines on the grid. Click **Apply** or **Cancel**.

Brightness/Contrast - Use the Brightness and Contrast sliders to change brightness or color contrast of the panorama.

To brighten the panorama, drag the slider to the right; to darken it, slide it to the left.

For contrast, drag the slider to the right to gradually make the image sharper; to the left to make it look flatter. Click **Apply** or **Cancel**.

Manual - Click the Manual button to display the Fine-Tune Screen which allows you to manually adjust the "gap" between images in order to make the panorama appear seamless. This feature is not used for videos. Manual tools include:

Show Guides - The overlapped areas between photos is marked with a red box on the Align Points screen, whereas the seams are marked with a red line on the Adjust Blend screen.

Align Points - Allows you to manually set stitching points. Click inside the red box to display the Auto Match screen.

The overlapped areas of the photos are marked by yellow, blue, and orange boxes. These boxes indicate where the image needs to be adjusted.

Click and drag one of the numbered boxes from the left window to the area where the "gap" is, and drag the point with the same number from the right window to where the first numbered point was placed. Click **Apply**.

Auto Match - Click this button and Panorama Maker automatically pairs all numbered points. If you prefer to manually pair the points, skip Auto Match.

Note: Although you can place numbered points in completely separate locations on the panorama, Panorama Maker will not acknowledge the location even if you click Apply.

Adjust Blend - Click Adjust Blend to display the image bordering areas outlined in orange. Click on the path to add a point. Drag the point to move the path. To adjust the path more precisely, add more points. Right-click on the points to restore the original blending path or click the **Restore** button. When finished, click **Done**.

Note: The orange outlines can only be dragged within the overlapped areas.

To see if your panorama was properly adjusted, uncheck the **Show Guides** option to hide both the orange box and the orange line. Please note that both the Align Points and Adjust Blend functions will not work when the Show Guides option is unchecked.

Frame - Click the Frame button to display the Frame screen which allows you to add a frame, title, and copyright information to the panorama.



Frame tools include:

Add a Frame - Check the Frame option and click the square below this option to display a color pallette. Select the desired frame color.

Add a Title - Click the **New** button to display the Text dialog box. You can also double-click **Enter Title Here** to display the dialog box.

Type the title of the panorama, select the font, text style, align style and color for the text. Drag the slider to change text size. Click **OK** to add the text to the image. Click **Cancel** to exist the text edit window.

You can place the title anywhere on the panorama by dragging and dropping it.

To edit the text, double-click on the title and edit the text in the Text dialog box.

To remove the title, select it and click the **Remove** button.

Copyright - Check the Copyright option to add your own copyright announcement to the panorama. The program comes with a default copyright template: *Copyright 2010, Your Name. All rights reserved.* You may use the template by simply replacing the text with your information or delete it and rewrite your own copyright announcement.

Note: Added texts or frames are applied to the panorama in real-time.

6. Stitching Tools

This application offers five stitching modes for your photos. Stitch mode options do not apply for video files. For instructions on stitching photo and video files, see Step 2 - Stitching Media Files.

Stitching modes include:

- Auto
- Horizontal
- 360°
- Tile
- Vertical



Note:

By clicking the small arrow next to the Auto button, the toolbar expands to reveal all stitching modes.



Auto

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Stitches photos in a horizontal row. This mode is ideal for capturing vast landscapes and city skylines.



360°

Stitches photos in a horizontal set that completes a full circle around the photographer's position.



Stitches a group of images and lines them up as tiles with up to 16 photos stitched at one time.



Vertical Vertical

Stitches photos as a vertical column.

7. Viewing Tools

Panorama Maker Pro 5 includes several tools to make viewing your panorama easy. These tools include:

- Zoom Controls
- Zoom Navigator
- Fit In
- Actual Size
- Restore
- Preview

Viewing tools located in the Preview Area are also discussed.

Zoom Controls

Use the zoom buttons and slider to change the level of magnification.

Zoom Navigator

Click the Zoom Control to display the Zoom Navigator. Drag the red box inside the Zoom Navigator to move the current viewing area to view details such as how the corners are being cropped.



Fit In

Click the **Fit In** icon to adjust the size of your image to fit in any size window. This command is usually used when the current view of an image is larger than the image window.



Actual Size

If you have magnified or reduced the active image, this command changes the image back to its original size.

Restore

Click the **Restore** button to reverse all changes previously applied to the panorama.

Preview

Click the **Preview** button to display the panorama in Full Screen preview mode where you can view your panorama to see how it will look when it is saved.

Tools in the Preview Area:



Select either the **Thumbnail** or **Thumbnail+Details** option. The Thumbail+Details option displays detailed information about the media file.



Slide the slider to increase or decrease the size of the media files.

Note: Mousing-over a photo enlarges the photo. By mousingover a video, you can preview the video.

✓ Auto-Select by Group

By checking the **Auto-Select by Group** checkbox, located at the top right of the Preview Area, the program automatically selects the related photos to stitch together.

Select All

To select all media files, click the **Select All** toggle located at the bottom left of the Preview Area. This button toggles to **Deselect All**.

For more information on the Full Screen Preview tools, see View Menu

8. Print Tools

Once your ready to print your panorama, you can either print the photos from your printer or use the online printing service built directly within the program to give you professional-looking photos.

The print tools include:

- Print Button
- Order Panorama

To print a panorama:

- Click the **Print** button. The image is displayed along with options listed on the right side of the screen.
- Select the desired Paper Size and Page Layout from the drop-down list box. Layout options are generated automatically based on the resolution of the panorama.
- 3. Move the slider to change the print size of the panorama.
- 4. Click the **Printer Setup** button to launch the Printer Setup window where you can select a printer, paper size and orientation. Click **Properties** to change the settings for the active printer. Consult your printer's manual to learn how to optimize settings for photo printing.
- 5. Click the **Print** button to print the panorama.

Note: Print quality is determined by many factors (photo quality, photo resolution, print size, printer settings, ink, paper, print nozzle condition, etc.). For best results, consult your printer's manual to learn how to get the best results from your printer. It is always best to use ink and paper recommended for your printer.



The **Order Panorama** module lets you order and print a panorama quickly and easily through the online print service. Ordered prints are delivered to your address.

The first time you use the module, please read the introduction of the Order Panorama module. Before clicking **Next**, make sure that you own the copyright of all pictures that your order.

To order a panorama:

- Click the Order Panorama button. The Panorama Print Center screen displays.
- 2. Select a paper style on which you would like to print your panorama: Matte, Glossy, and Metallic.
- 3. Select a print size and quantity for your panorama.
- 4. Click the Shopping Cart or Order History link to view your shopping cart or your order history.
- Click Add to Cart. In the shopping cart, the order is listed with its related information. You can also edit, add or remove your order.
- Click Check Out. Enter your billing address, personal information, shipping information, and select a shipping method from the list.
- Select a payment method and enter all relevant information. The order summary and other information is listed for your confirmation.
- Click **Submit**. A progress bar displays at the bottom right corner of the screen with the order number and the progress percentage of the uploaded photos.

When the upload is complete, an email confirming your order will be sent to your email on file with all of the required order information.

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Question: How do I reduce the file size of my panorama in order to email it?

Answer: From the Save dialog box, choose the **High Com- pression** setting from the Quality drop-down list box. A lower
quality setting saves a smaller sized file whereas a larger
quality setting saves a larger file size.

Question: Why do I have problems installing Panorama Maker 3.0 on my Mac OS X?

Answer: If you receive a "System Folder" error during the installation of Panorama Maker 3.0 for Mac OS X, please make sure to download the patch that is available on our website. The title of the patch is called **PanoramaMaker 3.0 MAC OS X Update**.

Question: What are the differences between Panorama Maker 3.5 and Panorama Maker 5 Pro?

Answer: By upgrading to Panorama Maker 5 Pro, you get the following:

- Built-in Photo Albums Provides you with quick, easy access to your photos from right within the program.
- Auto-Select by Group Allows you to select an entire group of related photos with just one click.
- 5 Stitching Styles Lets you choose between auto, horizontal, 360-degree, vertical, and tile style panoramas.
- Video Stitch Analyze your video file to stitch a perfect panorama.
- Auto-Ordering Conveniently puts your photos into the proper sequence for stitching.
- Auto-Stitching Ensures quick and seamless blending of each segment of your panorama.
- Full-Screen Preview Lets you view your panoramas without any distracting UI elements.
- Crop Enables you to trim away any ugly photo edges for a clean, elegant result.
- Straighten Lets you correct a tilted horizon line from right within the program.
- Frame Lets you add frames, title or copyright information to the panorama.
- Manual Fine-Tune Allows you to manually adjust the "gap" between images in order to make the panorama appear seamless.
- Print Allows you to print your panoramas across multiple pieces of paper or on banner stock.

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