

Free Nik Collection Of Software

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As mentioned at the April OMUG meeting, Google is releasing the entire Nik Collection of software, formerly sold for \$150, as a bundle in a free download. **Nik Collection is a good option if you're daunted by making selections and masks in Photoshop or other photo processing software editions listed below.** Installation of the software is a simple procedure.

The bundle comprises HDR Efex Pro 2, Silver Efex Pro 2, Sharpener Pro 3, Color Efex Pro 4, Viveza 2 and Define 2. As you would expect, HDR Efex Pro 2 enables you to create HDR images from a sequence of images or a single shot; Sharpener Pro 3 allows selective sharpening; Define 2 allows selective noise reduction; and Color Efex Pro 4 allows color adjustments, including monochrome conversions and film effects to be applied. The purpose of Silver Efex Pro 2 and Viveza 2 is less clear from their names, but the first is for making black-and-white conversions, while the second allows you to make selective brightness, contrast and white balance adjustments.

Mac Requirements:

- Mac® OS X 10.7.5 through 10.10
- Adobe Photoshop CS4 (CS5 for HDR Efex Pro 2) through CC 2015
- Adobe Photoshop Elements 9 through 13 (apart from HDR Efex Pro 2, which is not compatible with Photoshop Elements)
- Adobe Photoshop Lightroom 3 through 6/CC
- Apple® Aperture® 3.1 or later

Analog Efex Pro

Get the photo you're looking for, even if you don't own the equipment. Let effects inspired by traditional cameras bring you back to the vintage age of photo development. Choose from 10 different Tool Combinations to easily apply their effects, or use the Camera Kit to mix and match your favorite analog features.

Silver Efex Pro

Emulate nearly 20 popular film types, add finishing adjustments like toners and borders, and tune your image to produce superior black-and-white results. Silver Efex Pro gives you control over the entire process.

Dfine

Add noise reduction only to the areas that need it so you can maximize detail throughout your image. Dfine lets you adjust contrast and reduce color noise separately, making it easy to control the type and amount of noise reduction applied to your photo.

ColorEfex Pro

A comprehensive set of filters for color correction, retouching and creative effects. Stack

any number of Color Efex Pro's 55 filters to create a unique look. You can save your favorite combinations, then apply the same look to other images with a single click.

Viveza

Selectively adjust the color and tonality of your images. Choose exactly where enhancements are applied without using complicated selections or layer masks. The changes you make automatically and naturally blend with your image, producing spectacular results.

Sharpener Pro

Bring out hidden details. Selectively apply improvements using control points to help your viewers focus on the right areas. Enhancements blend into your image for a natural final result. And you can customize sharpening for display, inkjet, continuous tone, half tone, hybrid print devices, and more using Output Sharpener.

HDR Efex Pro

Powerful controls help you create exceptional natural and artistic HDR photos. Bring back lost highlights, open up shadows, and adjust tonality to achieve the perfectly natural and balanced image you've envisioned.

HERE IS THE DOWNLOAD LINK: <https://www.google.com/nikcollection/>

Also:

The Tim Grey (GreyLearning) Nik collection courses are now free. There are four video courses in the bundle: Basics of Using the Nik Collection, Learning Viveza 2, Learning Analog Efex Pro, and Learning Silver Efex Pro. They can be taken online and downloaded. I have watched several of the lessons and find them professional and easy to understand.

<http://greylearning.com/courses/nik-bundle>