

Photoshop Elements

CREATE CUSTOM BRUSH FROM AN IMAGE



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You can create a custom brush by selecting an area in a photo. *The Help in Photoshop Elements is not correct.* Use this lesson.

The brush uses a grayscale version of that selection to apply the foreground color in your image.

For example, you could select a leaf and then paint using a fall color. You can also draw a new brush shape using the Brush tool. You can create a custom brush shape either from an entire layer or from a selection.

A custom brush shape can be up to 2500 pixels by 2500 pixels in size.

Do one of the following:

1. Make a selection:
 - To use part of the image as a custom brush, select part of an image.
 - To use the entire layer as the custom brush, deselect everything.
 - Use the painting tools to draw the brush shape and select it. You can use hard-edged or soft-edged strokes, or vary the opacity of strokes to achieve soft-edge effects.
2. Click on the Brush tool.
3. From the MenuBar, select Edit > Define Brush
4. Name the brush and click OK.

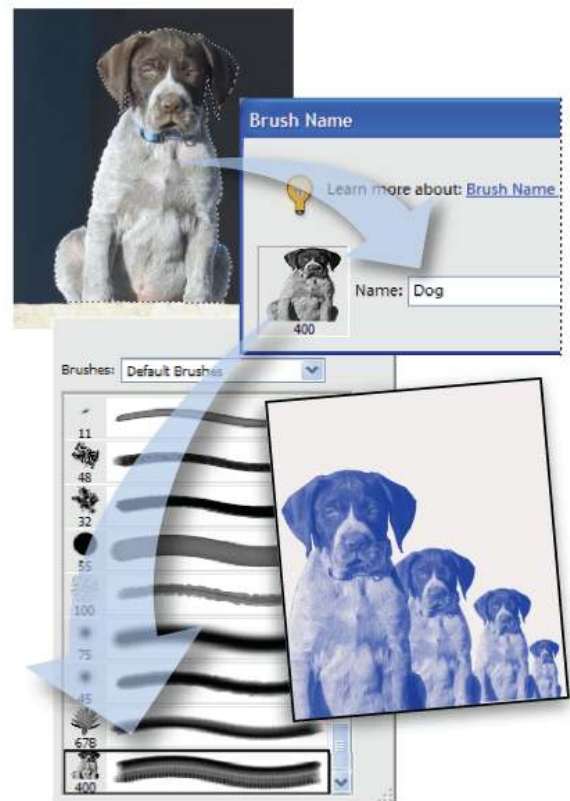


Figure 2