



Image Resolver

The complete user guide

Download images and entire galleries from almost any website — preview and pick, watermark, zip, encrypt, and view — all from one clean app.

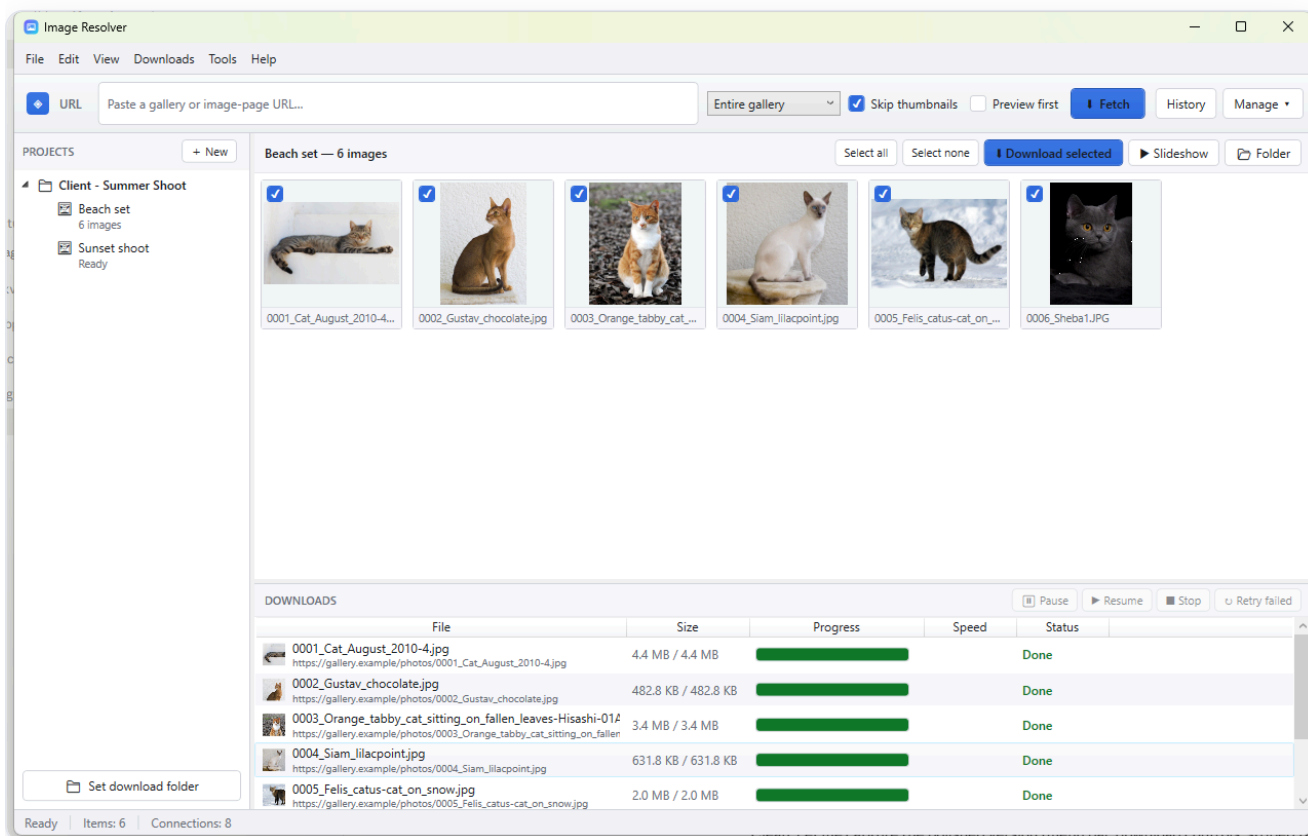
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Welcome

What Image Resolver does and how this guide is laid out.

Image Resolver pulls full-size images — and whole galleries — from web pages, then helps you organise, protect and view them. It's built for speed and for the awkward sites that simple downloaders choke on: pages that hide the real image behind a thumbnail, lazy-load as you scroll, spread across many pages, or require you to be logged in.



The main window: project tree, thumbnail grid, and a live download manager.

What you can do

- Fetch a gallery from a URL, or grab it from your browser's current tab.
- Preview thumbnails and tick only the images you want.
- Watch a real download manager: size, progress, speed, status.
- Log in to protected sites with the built-in private browser.

...and then

- Watermark every image with your logo.
- Zip a gallery, or password-protect it with AES-256 encryption.
- View full-size with a viewer & full-screen slideshow (animated GIFs too).
- Keep a searchable history of every download job.

Tip. If you only read one page, read *Quick start* (section 4). You'll be downloading in under a minute.

2 Installing

One installer for every modern Windows PC.

- 1 Double-click `ImageResolver-Setup.exe`.
- 2 If Windows shows a security prompt, choose **More info** → **Run anyway** (the app is safe; it is simply not yet code-signed).
- 3 Accept the licence and click **Install**. Windows will ask for permission — click **Yes**.
- 4 Launch **Image Resolver** from the Start menu or the desktop shortcut.

Runs everywhere. The single Setup automatically installs the correct build for your PC — **64-bit**, **32-bit**, or **ARM64** — and, on Windows 10 machines that need it, installs the Microsoft Edge WebView2 runtime for the built-in browser. Nothing else to download.

No .NET needed. Everything the app requires is included, so it runs on a clean Windows install out of the box.

Where your data lives

WHAT	WHERE
Projects & galleries	<code>%AppData%\ImageResolver\projects.json</code>
Download history	<code>%AppData%\ImageResolver\history.db</code> (SQLite)
Settings & site templates	<code>settings.json</code> · <code>templates.json</code>
Your images	The download folder you choose per project

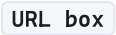
Open this folder any time from **Tools** → **Open app data folder**.

The window at a glance

Five areas, top to bottom.

AREA	WHAT IT'S FOR
Menu bar	File · Edit · View · Downloads · Tools · Help — everything the toolbar does, and more.
Toolbar	The  grab button, the URL box , fetch options, Fetch , Browser , History , Manage .
Project tree (left)	Your projects and the galleries inside them. Right-click for actions.
Thumbnail grid (centre)	Preview and pick images; the finished gallery lives here too.
Download manager (bottom)	Live rows: file, size, progress, speed, status — with pause / resume / stop / retry.
Status bar	Current activity, item count, connection count, and download speed.

The toolbar buttons

BUTTON	DOES
 (top-left)	Grabs the URL from your browser's current tab and drops it in the box.
	Paste a gallery or image-page URL. The ✕ clears it.
Entire gallery / Just this page	Follow pagination and per-image pages, or grab only the one page.
Skip thumbnails	Ignore icons, logos, avatars, ads and tiny images (recommended).
Preview first	Show thumbnails and let you tick which to download. Off = download everything now.
Fetch	Start finding and downloading images.
Browser	Open the built-in browser to log in and grab protected pages.

Quick start

Three ways to get a gallery in.

A · Paste a URL

- 1 Copy a gallery page's address from your browser.
- 2 Paste it into the **URL box** and press **Fetch** (or **Enter**).
- 3 The first time, choose a download folder when asked. That's it — images start arriving.

B · Grab from your browser

- 1 Open the gallery in Chrome, Edge, Firefox, Brave, Opera or Vivaldi.
- 2 Switch to Image Resolver and click the  button (top-left).
- 3 The current tab's URL appears in the box — press **Fetch**.

C · Use the built-in browser

Best for sites that need a login or that block ordinary downloaders. See section 7.

Preview first? Tick **Preview first** before Fetch to hand-pick images instead of grabbing the whole set.

Preview & pick

Only download what you want.

With **Preview first** ticked, Fetch fills the grid with thumbnails and a tick-box on each.

- **Select all / Select none** — toggle everything at once.
- Click a thumbnail's box to include or exclude it.
- **Download selected** — download only the ticked images.
-  **Clear** — empty the grid and start again.

Switch target mid-preview. Picked the wrong project on the left? Just click the right one while previewing — your selection is kept and the download goes there.

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The download manager

Full visibility and control.

Every image is a row at the bottom of the window:

COLUMN	SHOWS
File	Thumbnail, filename and source URL
Size	Downloaded / total
Progress	A live progress bar
Speed	Current speed for that file
Status	Queued · Downloading · Done · Failed

Controls

BUTTON	ACTION
⏸ Pause / ▶ Resume	Pause and resume the whole queue, mid-file.
■ Stop	Cancel the current download.
↺ Retry failed	Re-download every failed item.

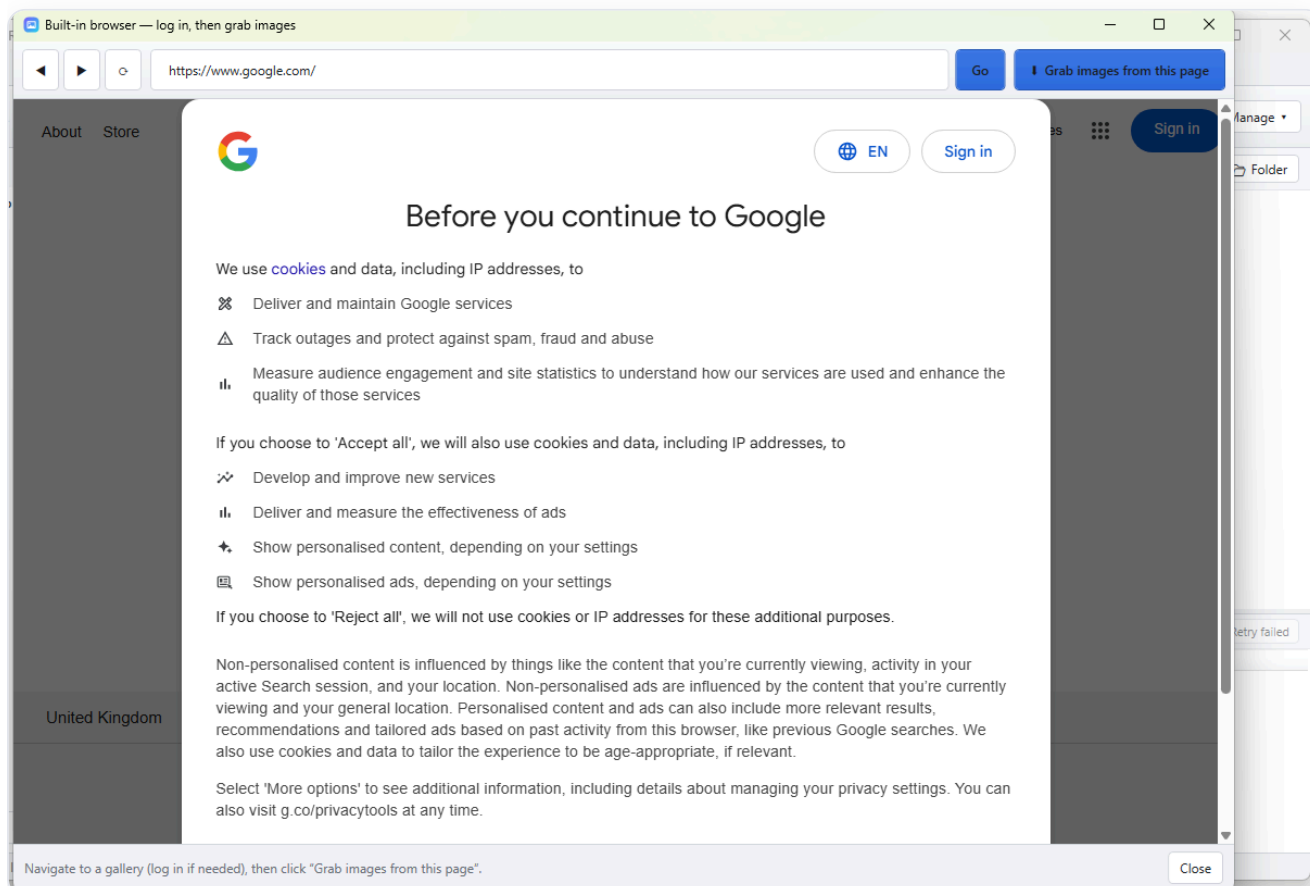
Right-click any row for: *Retry this item, Open file location, Copy source URL, Remove from list.*

Faster downloads. In **Tools → Settings** you can raise the number of simultaneous connections (up to 30). Failed files are retried automatically.

7 The built-in browser

Log in to protected sites, then grab.

Some sites require a login, or block ordinary downloaders. The built-in browser is a real, private browser inside the app — log in exactly as you normally would, and Image Resolver grabs the images using your logged-in session.



Navigate, log in, then click "Grab images from this page".

- 1 Click **Browser** on the toolbar.
- 2 Type the site's address and log in if it asks.
- 3 Open the gallery page, then click "**Grab images from this page**".
- 4 The browser scrolls the page to load every image, then hands them to the download queue.

Private by design. The built-in browser keeps **no history and no cookies** after you close it — it uses a fresh private profile each time and wipes it on exit. Your login is used only for that session.

If **Fetch** says "**couldn't reach the site**", that site is blocking direct downloads. Use the **Browser** button instead — it loads the page like a real browser and gets past that.

Projects & galleries

Keep everything organised on the left.

A **project** has a download folder and holds any number of **galleries**. Each gallery downloads into its own sub-folder, so nothing gets mixed up.

- **+ New** — create a project and choose its download folder.
- Right-click a **project**: set download folder, rename, or remove.
- Right-click a **gallery**: download/refresh, open folder, watermark, zip, encrypt, rename, remove.

Removing a gallery, your choice. When you remove a gallery you're asked whether to **keep the files** on disk or **delete them too**.

Housekeeping (Manage / Tools menu)

ACTION	EFFECT
Job history	A searchable record of every download; open its folder, copy the URL, or clear it.
Delete all downloaded images (project)	Frees disk space; galleries stay so you can re-download.
Clear job history	Wipes the history database completely.



Watermark · Zip · Encrypt

Protect and package a gallery. Right-click the gallery to start.

Watermark all images

Stamp your logo onto every image at once. Choose the logo, its position (corner, centre or tiled), size and opacity. Watermarked copies go into a `watermarked` sub-folder — your originals are untouched.

Zip gallery

Bundle the whole gallery into a single `.zip` to send or archive.

Password-protect / encrypt

Create a password-protected **AES-256 encrypted** zip. Anyone opening it must enter the password.

Keep the password safe. Encryption is real — a lost password cannot be recovered.

Viewer & slideshow

Look through your images full-size.

Double-click a thumbnail to open the viewer, or press ► **Slideshow** for a full-screen show. Animated **GIFs play** in both.

Viewer shortcuts

KEY	ACTION
← / →	Previous / next image
+ / -	Zoom in / out (or Ctrl +scroll)
F	Fit to window
Space	Start slideshow
Esc	Close

In the slideshow, use the on-screen controls to play/pause, step, and change speed.

Right-click any thumbnail for *Open image*, *Open file location*, or *Copy file path*.

Power features

Found under the **Downloads** and **Tools** menus.

Search images by keyword

Downloads → **Search images by keyword**: type a term and Image Resolver finds matching full-size images from the web and drops them into the queue (preview-and-pick works here too).

Add from URL / fuser list

Downloads → **Add from URL / fuser list**: paste image URLs one per line. Ranges expand automatically —

`photo[001-050].jpg` becomes `photo001.jpg ... photo050.jpg`.

Video & audio

Turn on “**Also grab video / audio**” in **Settings** to download `.mp4`, `.webm`, `.mp3` and more, not just images.

Site templates

Tools → **Site templates**: per-site rules (in an editable file) that apply automatically when you fetch a matching site — e.g. how many pages to follow, or whether to skip thumbnails.

Settings

Tools → **Settings**. Changes are saved instantly.

SETTING	WHAT IT DOES
Simultaneous connections	How many images download at once (1–30). Higher is faster on good connections.
Auto-retry attempts	How many times a failed/aborted file is re-tried automatically.
Minimum file size (KB)	Discard files smaller than this — a simple way to skip junk.
Minimum dimensions (px)	Skip images below a width × height. 0 turns the filter off.
Also grab video / audio	Include media files, not just images.

Fetch says “couldn’t reach the site”.

That site blocks direct downloaders. Click

Browser

, open the gallery there, and use

Grab images from this page

— it loads the site like a real browser and gets the images.

It found fewer images than the page shows / missed some.

The site lazy-loads as you scroll. Use the

Browser

and Grab — it scrolls the whole page first so every image loads. For a single page, make sure

Entire gallery

is selected to follow all pages.

The built-in browser won’t open.

It needs the Microsoft Edge WebView2 runtime, which the installer adds automatically. If it was skipped, re-run the Setup, or install “Microsoft Edge WebView2 Runtime” from Microsoft.

Downloads are slow.

Raise

Simultaneous connections

in Settings (try 10–16).

Where did my images go?

Right-click the gallery →

Open folder

, or use

 Folder

above the grid.

Nothing is saved by the browser afterwards?

Correct — the built-in browser is private and wipes all cookies and history when it closes.