

# Graphic Skills Portal

## Technique Handouts

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## DESIGNING



Develop a masterplan with Photoshop (adding colours, trees, effects, etc.)

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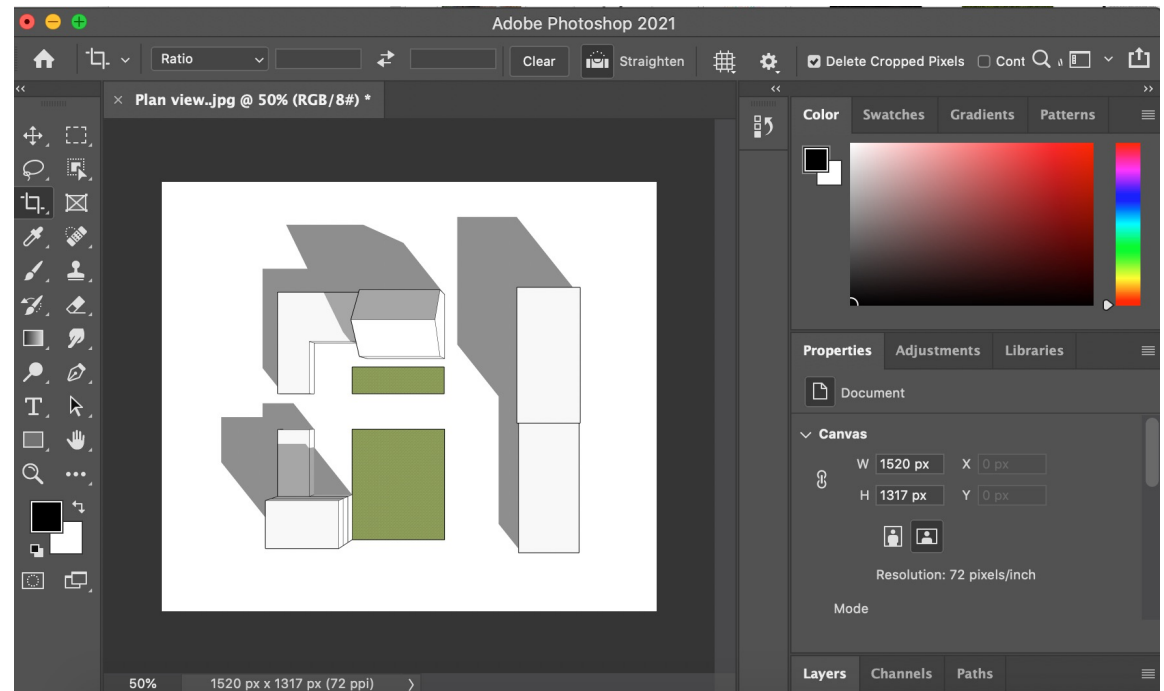
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## Develop a masterplan with Photoshop (adding colour and trees and effects etc.)

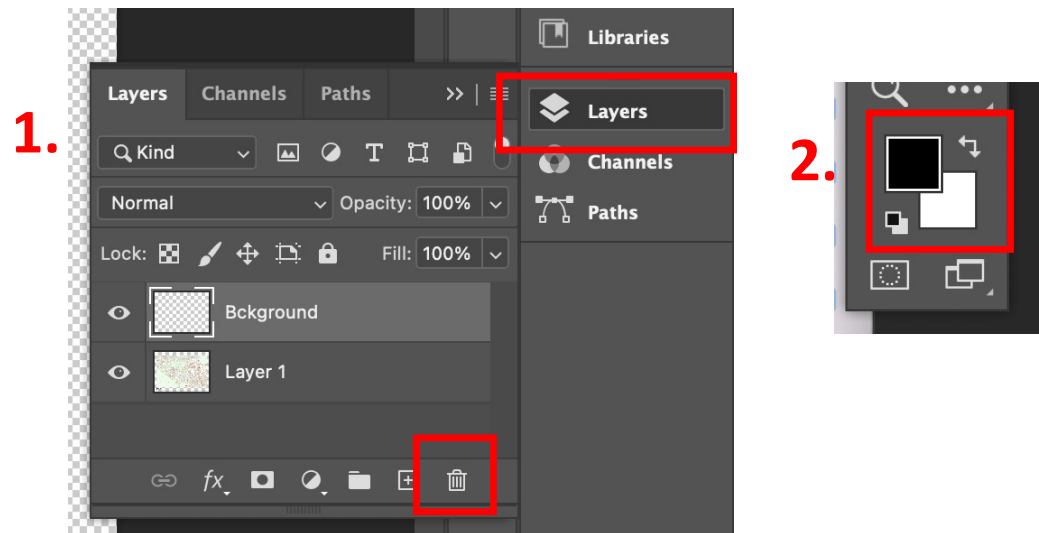
Drag and drop the scene exported from SketchUp into Adobe Photoshop.





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1. First, it is suggested to release the Background layer: in the Layers window (right-sidebar) > click on + to create a new layer and re-name it 'Background'
2. Be sure to be on this situation on the left-sidebar: black (or any colour) as foreground and white as background.
3. Then, open the **layer** drop-down list on the top bar > **New** > **Background from layer**

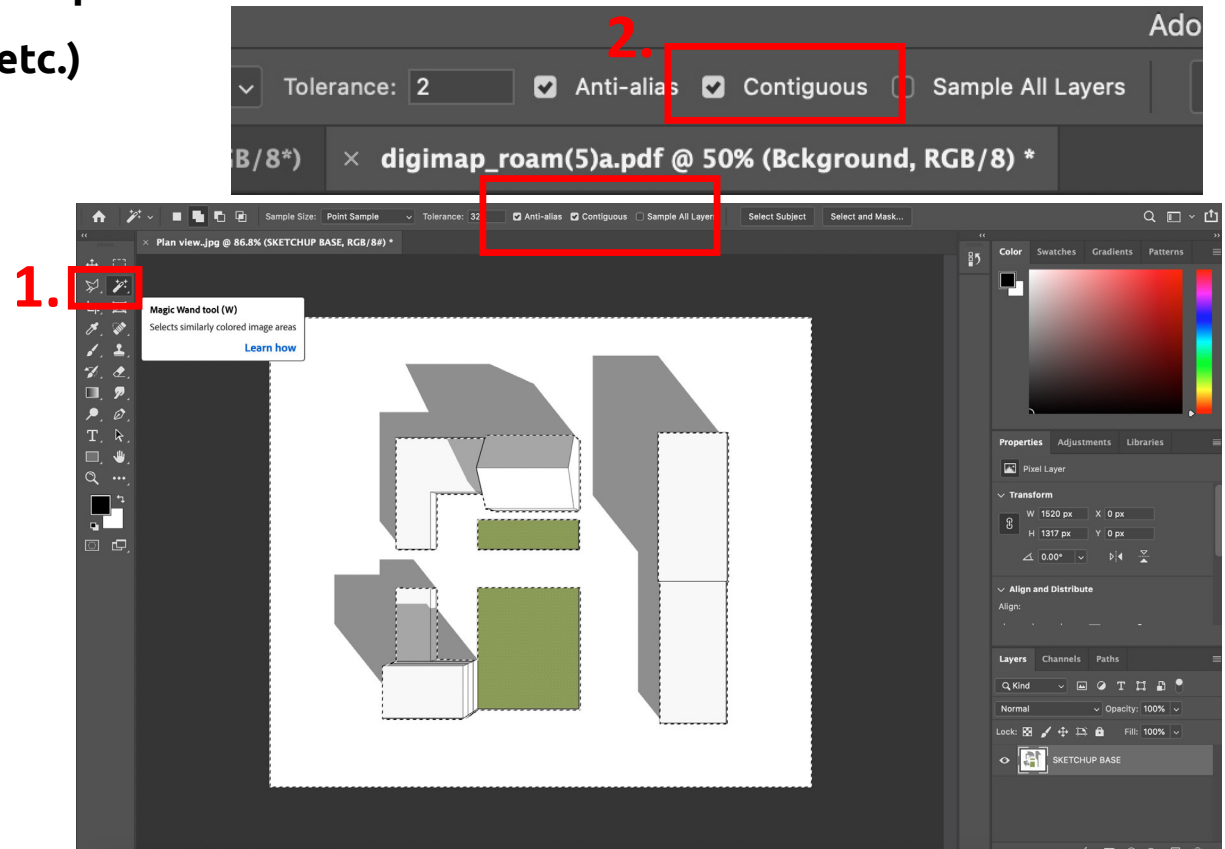




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Sometimes, the image is a raster image, it means that it is made of pixels and has a white background (which should be removed):

1. Use the magic wand (or the lasso tool) and select the white background.
2. Make sure you selected 'continuous' on the top toolbar.
3. Erase the selected white background





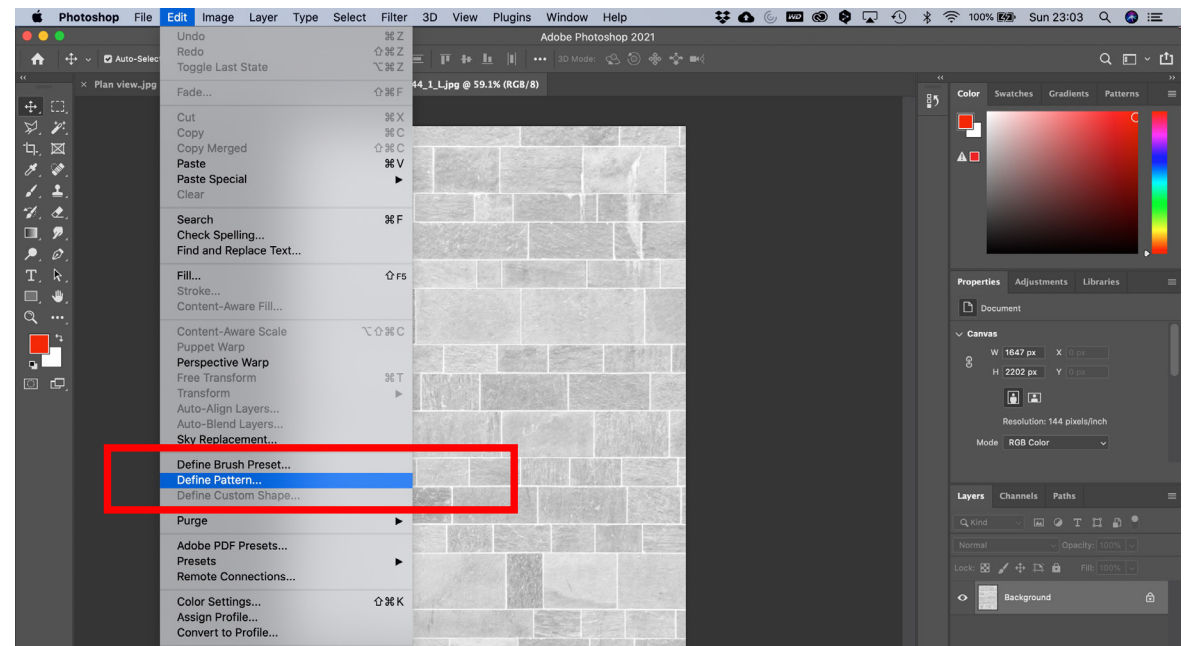
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You can create your own patterns by starting from an existing image download from the web.

### SET A NEW PATTERN

DRAG AN IMAGE INTO PHOTOSHOP >  
EDIT > DEFINE PATTERN.

Now your pattern is set and it will remain in your photoshop library.

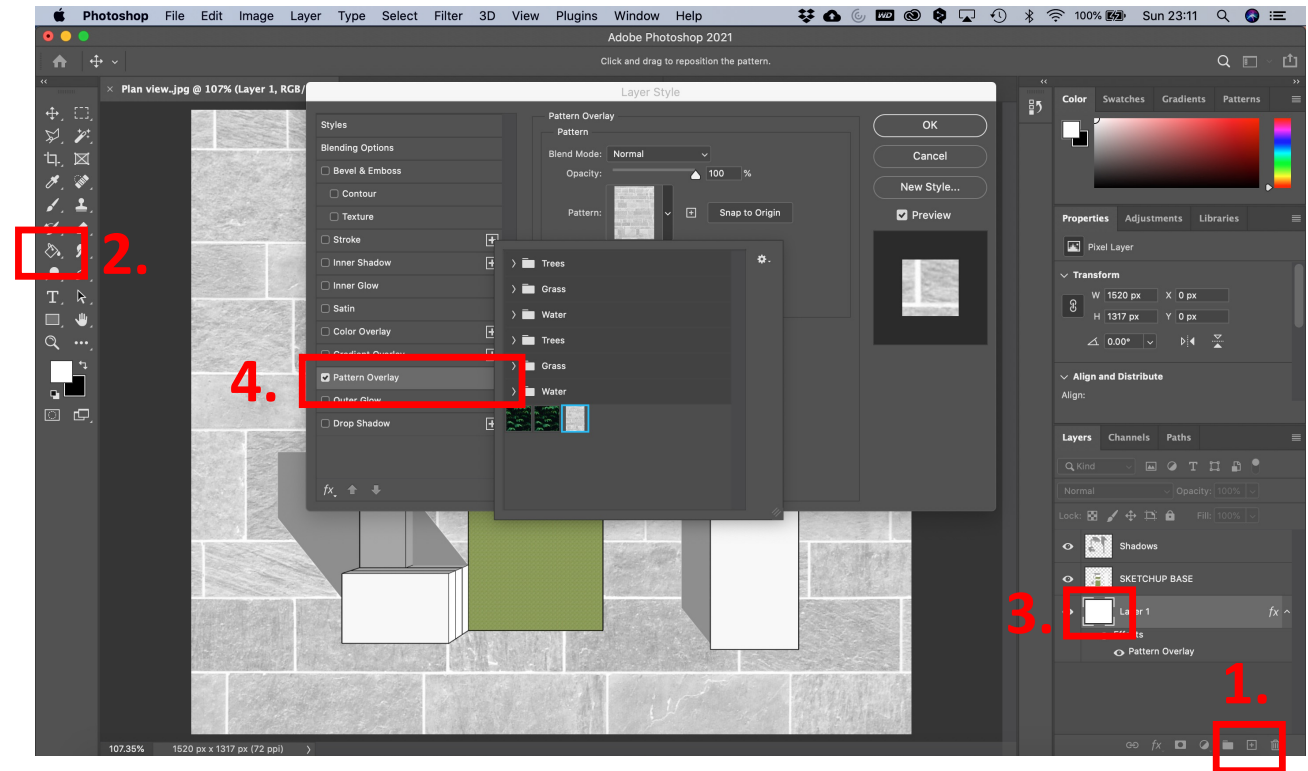




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1. Create a new layer.
2. With the **bucket** tool (left-sidebar), fill the new layer with white colour.
3. Double-click on the icon of the layer in the list
4. A window will appear. Select 'pattern overlay' and add a pattern to the layer.
5. Adjust scale and opacity and close by pressing 'OK'



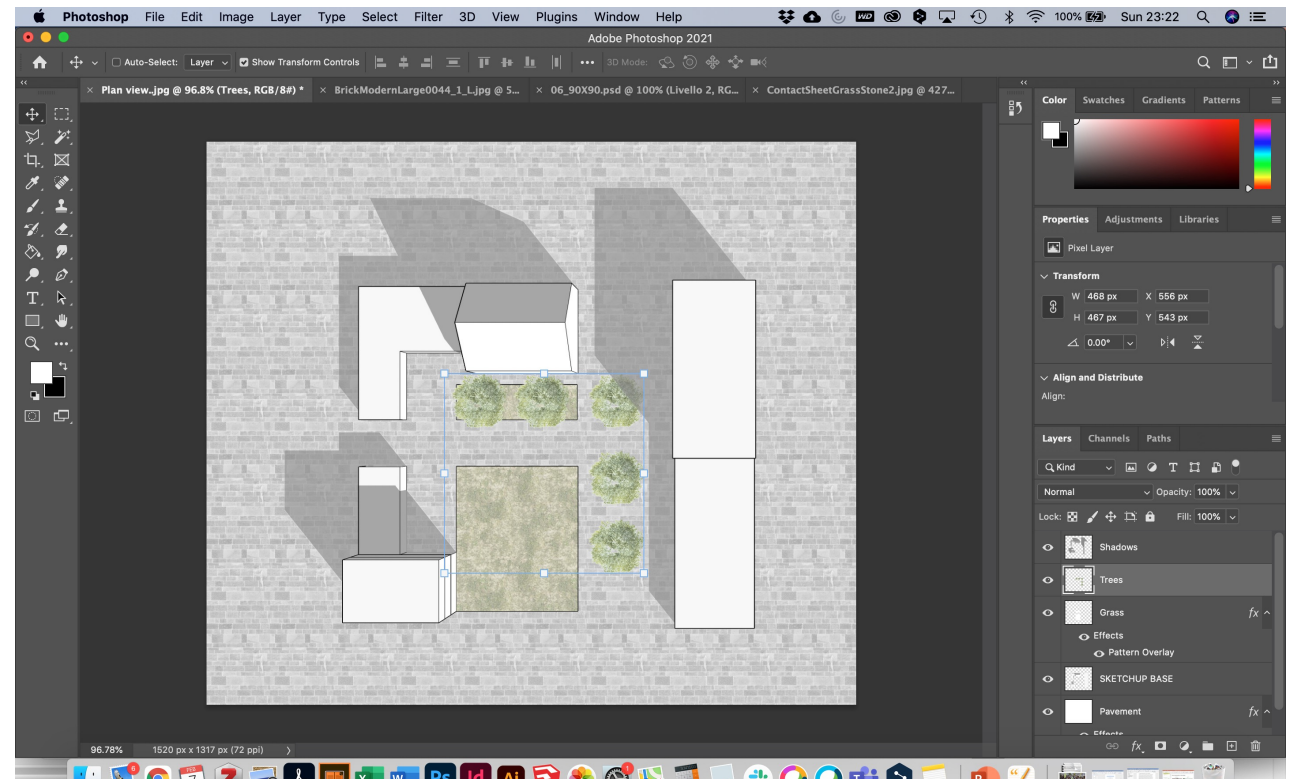


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1. Add patterns for the grass
2. Add trees you can download cut-out trees from here:
  - <https://meyer.dk/>
  - <https://www.mrcutout.com/>
  - <https://immediateentourage.com/>
  - <https://www.vexels.com/silhouette-vectors/>
  - <https://www.canva.com/templates/>

Adjust scale and opacity.







Some examples:





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