

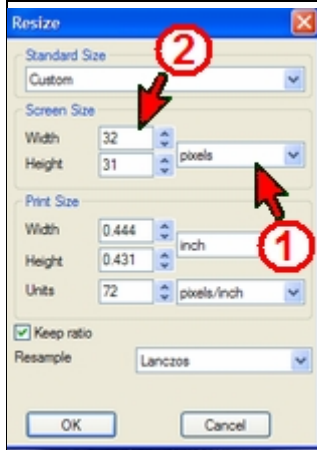


Coffee Break

Question on Software or Operating system.

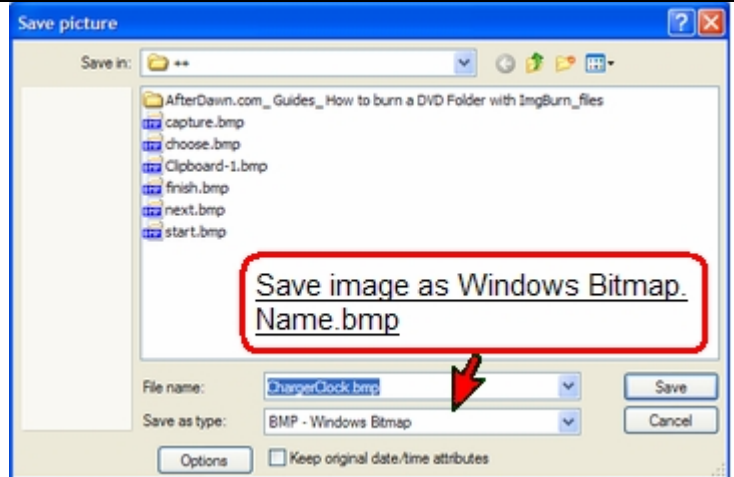
Make your own special icons for the Desktop.

To make an icon you needed special software to create icons for windows. This is not true. You only need to follow some simple steps to make your own icons. You can use photos taken with your digital camera. Resize your image using either IrfanView freeware graphic viewer, XnView, Picasa (Google freeware) or Paint Shop Pro and Photoshop (if you have the money). Choose to size in Pixels then type Width [32] and Height [32].



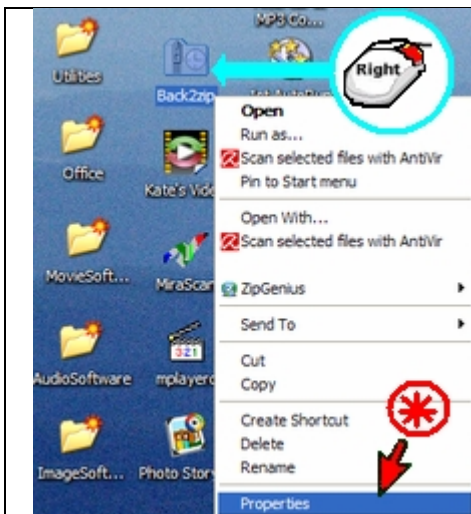
Example
1. Select **pixels**.
2. Change **Width to 32**.

Note, if **Keep ratio** is selected Height will change to the image ratio.



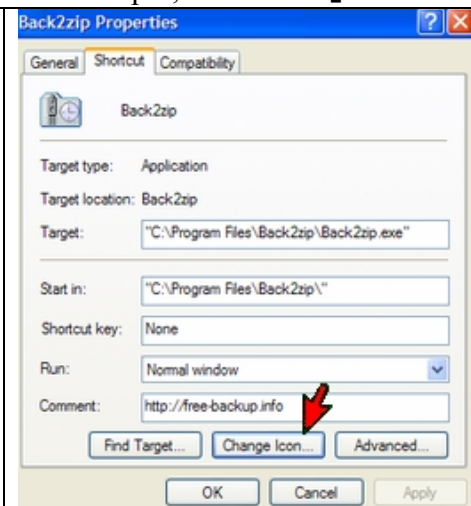
Save the image as a Windows Bitmap file.

Save the resized image to a folder. If you saved as a jpg image file it won't work. Open **Windows Explorer**, open the folder with the resized image. Right click the image and from the option box select **Rename**. Use the same name but change the file extension to **ico**. Example; **Name.bmp** to **Name.ico**.

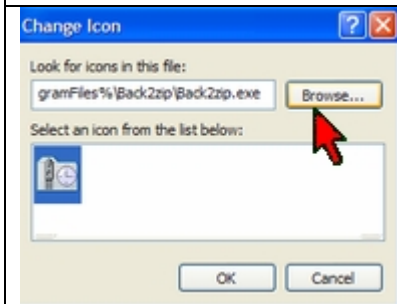


Right click an icon on the desktop.

From the open option box left click **Properties**.



Click the [Change icon] button.



Select the **Browse** button.

Open the folder with your icon. Select and click **Open**.

In the Properties box Click **[Apply]** then **[OK]**.

Task Completed.

