


The top 3 reasons we love Google Photos:

## # 3

How easy it is to put together selected photos and video clips into a movie, complete with music

## # 2.

How easy it is to edit a photo on your phone – or computer – and make it look lots

better. Just tap the edit button  then the Auto filter. You might be surprised how much better it looks with that one tap. But wait, there's more ...

## #1

How it can gather all the photos of your lifetime and let you carry them around in your pocket!

## What Do you need to know to get started?

Google Photos stores your photos in the Cloud. The Cloud is just another word for Internet.

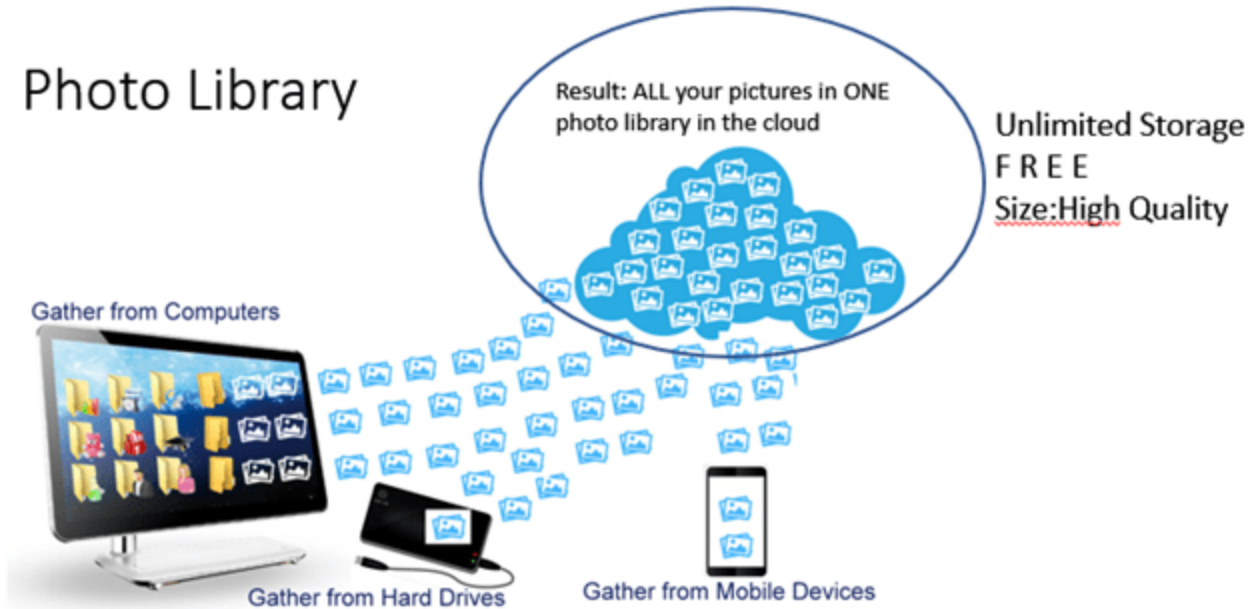
A photo that is taken by your phone starts out on that device, Google Photos UPloads it to the cloud. If you should want that photo on your computer, you would need to Download it. It's important to know UP from DOWN!

# Terminology



When your photos are in Google Photos, there are no folders. They are in one giant stream in order by date. This is called your Library. You can add photos to your library from phones, tablets, cameras, computers, and external hard drives. Google Photos provides a forever home for ALL your photos. As long as you have selected the "High Quality" size, the storage is free.

# Photo Library



## Google Account

You must have a Google Account in order to use Google Photos

### Terminology: Google Account

- Must have a Google Account to use Google Photos. It's Free. Just go to Google.com and sign up.
- Account identifies the location of your stuff – like a safe deposit box
- Username: an email address, usually @gmail.com  
Password: you need to know it!
- If you have a @gmail.com address – that is a Google Account



# Getting Started

All you have to do is install the Google Photos app on your phone.

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Once it is installed, you use Google Photos rather than the photo app that came with your phone.

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