

PHOTO Elements TECHNIQUES

Blurry Skies

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Add realistic motion to the skies in your photos.

Photoshop Elements 14 was used in this video and this tutorial will not work in previous versions.

1. Open the image you want to use in **Expert** mode, **File>Open**.
2. If your document contains a single layer, duplicate the background layer by pressing **Ctrl-J** (Mac: **Command-J**). If your document contains multiple layers create a stamped copy by pressing **Shift-Alt-Ctrl-E** (Mac: **Shift-Option-Command-E**).
3. From the **Filter** menu select **Blur>Radial Blur**.

4. In the **Radial Blur dialog**, set the **Amount** (**30** is a good starting point, but experiment with it), select **Zoom** for the **Blur Method**, set the **Quality** to **Best**, and set your **Blur Center**.
5. If needed make a selection and blur the selection only.
6. You might need to clean up a bit with the **Clone Stamp tool**.