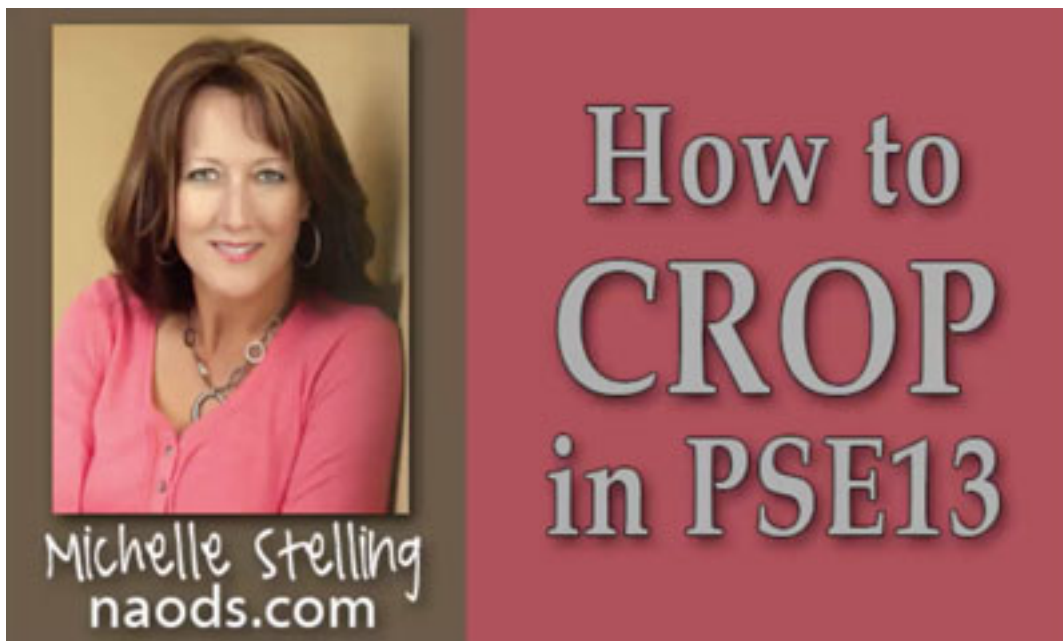


PHOTO Elements TECHNIQUES

The Crop Tool Michelle Stelling



Learn some techniques for using the Crop tool.

This tutorial was created using Photoshop Elements 13.

- Open a photo, **File>Open**.
- Select the **Crop tool (C)** from the Toolbox.
- If you're using PSE13, you will see a Crop suggestion on your image after you select the Crop tool. In the **Tool Options bar**, hover your cursor over the **Crop Suggestions**, to see if there's one that works for your image. To remove the Crop Suggestion from your image, press the **escape** key.

- Set the **Grid Overlay** as desired and choose the **dimensions** for the crop.
- Click-and-drag to draw a crop.
- To move the crop, drag-and-drop to desired location or use the arrow keys on your keyboard. You can also rotate it using the corner bounding box handles.

To add a border using the Crop tool

1. Set the background color chip to the desired border color.
2. With your Crop tool selected, click-and-drag around the entire photo.
3. Use the bounding box handles, extend the crop beyond the edge of the image.
4. When you click on the green check mark to commit current operation, the crop area that extends beyond the image will fill with your background color.