

# To repeat or not repeat?

CSS is pretty smart. So there's got to be a way to stop the background images from being repeated. Let's take a look at the background-repeat property.

## background-repeat

The `background-repeat` property controls whether background-images will be repeated or **not** repeated.

To stop the background image from repeating, use the `background-repeat` property, like so:

```
1 .bg {  
2   height: 100vh;  
3   background-image: url("http://...");  
4   background-repeat: no-repeat;  
5 }
```



And here's the output:

Output
HTML
CSS (SCSS)



Now, as you can see, the background no longer repeats.

## The Default Value

By the default, the `background-repeat` property is set to `repeat`. This causes the default behaviour of backgrounds being repeated.

## Other Values

Two other values the `background-repeat` property takes include: `repeat-x` and `repeat-y`.

1. `repeat-x` says, repeat the background image along the x-axis ONLY i.e from left to right.
2. `repeat-y` says, repeat the background-image along the y-axis ONLY i.e from top to bottom.

In the code playground above, change the `background-repeat` value to `repeat-x` and `repeat-y`.

What results do you get?