

Refine web searches

You can use symbols or words in your search to make your search results more precise.

- Google Search usually ignores punctuation that isn’t part of a search operator.
- Don’t put spaces between the symbol or word and your search term. A search for `site:nytimes.com` will work, but `site: nytimes.com` won’t.

Refine image searches

Overall Advanced Search

1. Go to [Advanced Image Search](#) .
2. Use filters like region or file type to narrow your results.
3. At the bottom, click **Advanced Search**.

Search for an exact image size

Right after the word you're looking for, add the text `imagesize:widthxheight`. Make sure to add the dimensions in pixels.

Example: `imagesize:500x400`

Common search techniques

Search social media

Put `@` in front of a word to search social media. For example: `@twitter`.

Search for a price

Put `$` in front of a number. For example: `camera $400`.

Search hashtags

Put `#` in front of a word. For example: `#throwbackthursday`

Exclude words from your search

Put `-` in front of a word you want to leave out. For example, `jaguar speed -car`

Search for an exact match

Put a word or phrase inside quotes. For example, `"tallest building"`.

Search within a range of numbers

Put `..` between two numbers. For example, `camera $50..$100`.

Combine searches

Put `"OR"` between each search query. For example, `marathon OR race`.

Search for a specific site

Put `"site:"` in front of a site or domain. For example, `site:youtube.com` or `site:.gov`.

Search for related sites

Put `"related:"` in front of a web address you already know. For example, `related:time.com`.

See Google’s cached version of a site

Put `"cache:"` in front of the site address.
















Important: Not all search operators return exhaustive results.

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No

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