



SDImage Properties

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Sample files overview

Intermediate component that controls **SDFImage**
Take a look at script **SDFImagePropertiesExample.cs**



Scene view

```
[RequireComponent(typeof(SDFImage))]
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internal class SDFImagePropertiesExample : MonoBehaviour
{
    [Header("Built-in Image properties")]
    [SerializeField] internal UIImage.Type _imageType = UIImage.Type.Simple; 1 Filled
    [SerializeField] internal bool _preserveAspect = false; 1 "true"
    [SerializeField] internal bool _useSpriteMesh = false; 1 Unchanged
    [SerializeField] internal float _pixelsPerUnitMultiplier = 1.0f; 1 Unchanged
    [SerializeField] internal bool _fillCenter = true; 1 Changed in 0+ assets

    [Header("Filled")]
    [SerializeField] internal UIImage.FillMethod _fillMethod = UIImage.FillMethod.Radial360; 1 Unchanged
    [SerializeField, Range(0, 1)] internal float _fillAmount = 1.0f; 1 Unchanged
    [SerializeField] internal bool _fillClockwise = true; 1 Unchanged
    [SerializeField] internal int _fillOrigin = 0; 1 Unchanged

    [Header("Non serialized")]
    [SerializeField] internal float _alphaHitTestMinimumThreshold = 0; 1 Unchanged

    [Header("Unique properties")]
    [SerializeField] internal SDFRendererSettings _sdfRendererSettings = SDFRendererSettings.Default; 1 Serializable
    [SerializeField] internal SDFSpriteReference _sdfSpriteReference = new SDFSpriteReference(); 1 Serializable
}
```

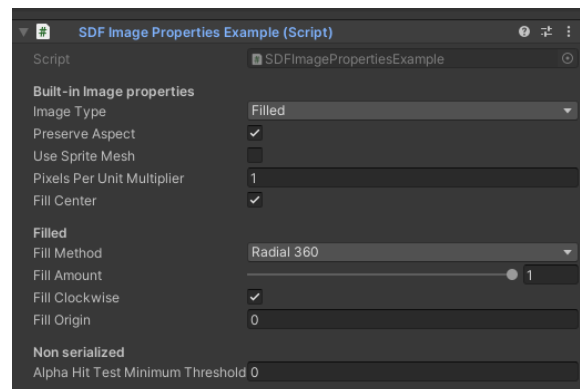
This sample provide look at how to interact with SDFImage through script.

Properties

Script contains same fields as SDF Image has

```
private void OnValidate()
{
    // Read/Write properties recreation of built-in Image
    Image.FillCenter = _fillCenter;
    Image.FillMethod = _fillMethod;
    Image.FillAmount = _fillAmount;
    Image.ImageType = _imageType;
    Image.PreserveAspect = _preserveAspect;
    Image.FillClockwise = _fillClockwise;
    Image.FillOrigin = _fillOrigin;
    Image.UseSpriteMesh = _useSpriteMesh;
    Image.PixelsPerUnitMultiplier = _pixelsPerUnitMultiplier;

    // Non serialized
    Image.AlphaHitTestMinimumThreshold = _alphaHitTestMinimumThreshold;
}
```



SDFImage has recreated all properties that built-in Image has, since it no longer inherits from it. But all public properties named in PascalCase according to .NET standards.

Unique to SDFImage

SDFRendererSettings

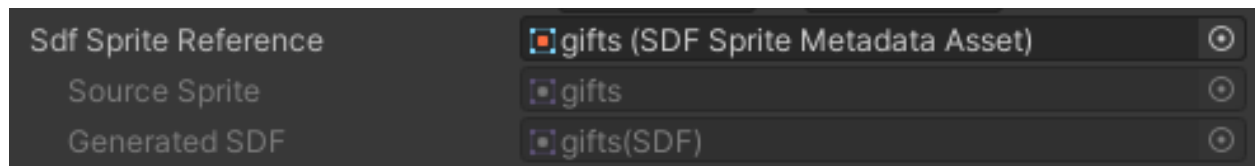
```
// Unique properties
Image.MainColor = _sdfRendererSettings.MainColor;
Image.RenderRegular = _sdfRendererSettings.RenderRegular;
Image.RegularColor = _sdfRendererSettings.RegularColor;
Image.RenderOutline = _sdfRendererSettings.RenderOutline;
Image.OutlineColor = _sdfRendererSettings.OutlineColor;
Image.OutlineWidth = _sdfRendererSettings.OutlineWidth;
Image.RenderShadow = _sdfRendererSettings.RenderShadow;
Image.ShadowColor = _sdfRendererSettings.ShadowColor;
Image.ShadowWidth = _sdfRendererSettings.ShadowWidth;
Image.ShadowOffset = _sdfRendererSettings.ShadowOffset;

// More efficient way is to change sdf renderer settings as struct
Image.SDFRendererSettings = _sdfRendererSettings;
```



This is all properties related to mesh generation and vertex data. In code you can set them directly with `SDFImage.SDFRendererSettings` rather than each individually.

How to set sprite (`SDFSpriteReference`)



Editor view

```
[Header("Unique properties")]
[SerializeField] internal SDFRendererSettings _sdfRendererSettings = SDFRendererSettings.Default;
[SerializeField] internal SDFSpriteReference _sdfSpriteReference = new SDFSpriteReference();
```

Fields definition

```
// Settings sprite is bit different
Image.SDFSpriteReference = _sdfSpriteReference;
```

Property setting

This how you change sprites at runtime, by settings struct `SDFSpriteReference` to corresponding property.

```
/// <summary>
/// Just a wrapper around <see cref="SDFSpriteMetadataAsset"/> that holds all data required to render sdf.
/// </summary>
/// <remarks>
/// In old version 1.1.x this also held reference to Source sprite, which allowed to just assign sprite in editor,
/// and at least display it even if sdf metadata isn't generated.
/// In version 1.2.x this ability was removed with introduction of decoupled pipeline.
/// </remarks>
[Serializable]
public struct SDFSpriteReference
{
    /// <summary>
    /// For versions before 2023 metadata need to be referenced directly, since there is no scriptable objects for sprites api.
    /// </summary>
    [SerializeField, SearchContext(query: "", SDFUtil.ArtifactsSearchProviderID)]
    internal SDFSpriteMetadataAsset _metadataAsset; // Serializable
```

Docs with detailed explanation on why this struct exist

`SDFSpriteReference` is exist for multi-version compatibility, in versions before 1.2.x it was holding more properties, and handled some custom serialization, but right now its just an wrapper around

`SDFSpriteMetadataAsset` .

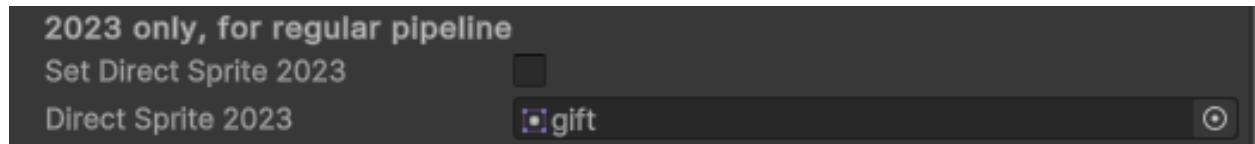
It will be kept in future versions as its useful to have some intermediate serialization layer, instead of plain object reference.

Other way to set sprite (2023 version)

There is another way to set sprite in unity 2023 with the introduction of Scriptable Objects for Sprites API. This way you can extract `SDFSpriteMetadataAsset` directly from sprite.



Note that this won't work for source sprites in decoupled pipeline, see more [Decoupled Pipeline Scripting](#)



Editor view

```
[Header("2023 only, for regular pipeline")]
[SerializeField] internal bool _setDirectSprite2023 = false;
[SerializeField] internal Sprite _directSprite2023 = null;
```

Fields definition

```
// For 2023 we can extract metadata asset directly from sprite and create reference from it
// See more in next sample 1_RuntimeSpriteChange
if (_setDirectSprite2023)
{
    #if UNITY_2023_1_OR_NEWER
        if (_directSprite2023 != null && _directSprite2023.TryGetSpriteMetadataAsset(out var metadataAsset))
        {
            Image.SDFSpriteReference = new SDFSpriteReference(metadataAsset);
        }
        else
        {
            Image.SDFSpriteReference = new SDFSpriteReference();
        }
    #else
        Debug.LogError($"Unity before 2023 can't get sdf metadata directly from sprite");
    #endif
}
```

Property setting



Try flipping Set Direct Sprite 2023 toggle and see how sprite changes

Runtime sprite change

There is multiple ways to change sprite at runtime, here we quickly covered some basic ones.

But there is other ways in depth explained in [Runtime Sprite Change](#), [Decoupled Pipeline Scripting](#) and [Addressables Support](#)