



CSS Essentials

Background



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Background color

1. Background color





- ➤ The **background-color** property specifies the background color of an element.
- The property accepts any valid color: color name, RGB, HEX,...

```
.box {
   background-color: #567895;
}

h2 {
  background-color: black;
  color: white;
}
span {
  background-color: rgba(255,255,255,.5);
}
```



```
<div class="box">
  <h2>Background Colors</h2>
  Try changing the background <span>colors</span>.
</div>
```





Background images

2. Background images





- ➤ The **background-image** property specifies an image to use as the background of an element.
- > By default, the image is *repeated* so it covers the entire element.

```
.a {
   background-image: url(balloons.jpg);
}
.b {
  background-image: url(star.png);
}
```

```
<div class="wrapper">
    <div class="box a"></div>
    <div class="box b"></div>
</div>
```



2. Background images





- ➤ Controlling background-repeat: The background-repeat property is used to control the tiling behavior of images. The available values are
 - no-repeat stop the background from repeating altogether.
 - repeat-x repeat horizontally.
 - repeat-y repeat vertically.
 - repeat the default; repeat in both directions.





Sizing/positioning background images

3. Sizing/positioning background images





- Sizing the background image: We can use the background-size property, which can take length or percentage values, to size the image to fit inside the background or you can use keyword cover and contain
 - cover: the browser will make the image just large enough so that it completely covers the box area while still retaining its aspect ratio
 - contain: the browser will make the image the right size to fit inside the box.

3. Sizing/positioning background images





Positioning the background image: The background-position property allows you to choose the position in which the background image appears on the box it is applied to. You can use keywords such as top, right, bottom, left, center and length or percentage

```
body {
  background-image: url('w3css.gif');
  background-repeat: no-repeat;
  background-attachment: fixed;
  background-position: bottom right;
}
```

The backgroundposition Property

Here, the background image will be positioned bottom right.





Gradient backgrounds

4. Gradient backgrounds

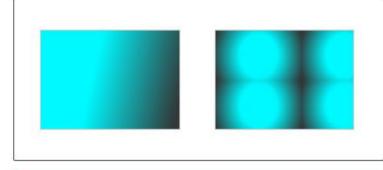




- A gradient when used for a background acts just like an image and is also set by using the background-image property.
- CSS gradients let you display smooth transitions between two or more specified colors.

```
.a {
   background-image: linear-gradient(105deg, rgba(0,249,255,1) 39%,
   rgba(51,56,57,1) 96%);
}
.b {
   background-image: radial-gradient(circle, rgba(0,249,255,1) 39%,
   rgba(51,56,57,1) 96%);
   background-size: 100px 50px;
}
```

```
<div class="wrapper">
  <div class="box a"></div>
  <div class="box b"></div>
  </div>
```







Multiple background images

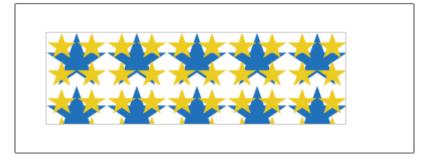
5. Multiple background images





- You can specify *multiple background-image* values in a single property value, separating each one with a comma.
- ➤ The other **background-*** properties can also have values comma-separated in the same way as background-image

```
background-image: url(image1.png), url(image2.png), url(image3.png), url(image1.png);
background-repeat: no-repeat, repeat-x, repeat;
background-position: 10px 20px, top right;
```







Background shorthand

6. Background shorthand





- ➤ To shorten the code, it is also possible to specify all the background properties in one single property. This is called a **shorthand** property.
- Instead of writing:

```
body {
  background-color: #ffffff;
  background-image: url("img_tree.png");
  background-repeat: no-repeat;
  background-position: right top;
}
```

You can use the shorthand property background

```
body {
  background: #ffffff url("img_tree.png") no-repeat right top;
}
```

6. Background shorthand





- When using the shorthand property the order of the property values is:
 - background-color
 - background-image
 - background-repeat
 - background-attachment
 - background-position





Thank you