

Flickr

www.flickr.com

Upload, organize and share your photos and videos online

what is it?

One of the first photo hosting services, Flickr remains one of the most popular. Upload your photos and videos, add captions, organize them into sets and mark them public or private. Flickr worries about storing the images and you worry about who gets to see what.

educational use?

Need to share visual material in class? Flickr makes it easy to upload and store your assets. Then, you can link to them inside your course or embed directly into your blog. Set up a Flickr account for your class and allow students to email visual assignments directly to Flickr. Post your vacation pictures for the family and a video of an experiment for your class.

pros & cons?

Flickr is by far the best photo hosting and sharing application out there. However, despite its strengths, there are a few things it could do better. For instance, other image hosting sites make it easier to embed images and videos directly on the page. Further, the free Flickr account limits the number of images you can upload in a month, the total size of uploads and only gives you access to the last 200 images you have uploaded.

what's it cost?

Flickr gives you the option to set up a free account or a pro account. For \$25 a year, however, you can set up a pro account which gives you things like unlimited uploads, unlimited storage, and ad-free browsing and sharing.

alternatives?

Other popular media hosting services include Picasa (<http://picasa.google.com>) or Photobucket (<http://photobucket.com>) for images and YouTube (<http://www.youtube.com>) for video.

resources?

Online Photo Sharing in Plain English
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vPU4awtuTsk>

Newbie's Guide to Flickr
http://news.cnet.com/8301-17939_109-9703620-2.html

Flickr Video Tutorials
http://etc.usf.edu/te_mac/movies/flickr.html

7 Things You Should Know About Flickr
<http://net.educause.edu/ir/library/pdf/ELI7034.pdf>