



Crop Backgrounds

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Putting a well cropped image on a layout is essential to design wicked looking pages.

VIDEO LINK

<http://www.mogo-media.com/podcasts/indesign/using-photoshop-to-mask-out-a-background/>

Make Better Key
ALT

-hold down and things sometimes get better.

Shut Up and do it Key
OPTION

Q
Quickmask shortcut.

TILDA
Quick Mask as an alpha channel

REFINE EDGE
You can use refine edge on any image.

STEP 1

Open an image in InDesign.
EDIT ORIGINAL - Options-Alt -Double Click
Image should open in PhotoShop
Create a new layer other than background by...
Option - double click on Background

STEP 2

Highlight with the QUICK SELECTION tool in PhotoShop
Click and hold down the selection of the image you want to keep.

STEP 3

Refine Edge
Click on Refine Edge button at the top of the page. Play with Smooth, feather, and Radius to improve your crop.

STEP 4

CREATE LAYER MASK
Click on the create layer mask button in the Layers Panel.
Save as PSD file and close. Your image should be cut out in InDesign.