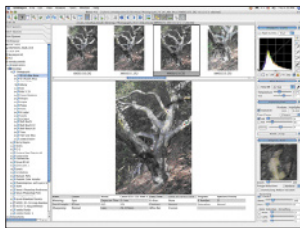


# Bibble 4.4

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## Image-manipulation software



Bibble 4.4 delivers a fast, feature-rich, customizable workflow for editing and printing RAW files. Integrating an image browser, RAW converter, and editor into one interface provides a powerful lab for developing your RAW files. Bibble supports all the major manufacturers of digital SLRs.

A Set-up Wizard helps you customize the user interface for the combination of palettes and windows for your workflow, including whether you batch or individually process files. Ultimately, my arrangement still appeared cluttered—strategically, the best layout would include a second monitor for the tool palettes. Bibble has all the necessary tools for image editing

including white balance, curves, histograms, exposure and tone control, sharpening, noise reduction, cropping, and rotating. A highlight recovery slider works well toning down nearly featureless highlights about a 1/2 stop without darkening the rest of the image. In similar fashion, the fill slider recovers shadow detail.

Bibble lets you selectively copy some or all of your corrections from one file to others with a simple copy-and-paste. Bibble is fast as it instantaneously creates thumbnails of a large folder of RAW images; however, real-time image correction in the main window is accompanied by a jerking

motion of pixels during updating, hindering judging the before-and-after of effects such as sharpening.

The software has a sophisticated batch processing that allows you to drop files into a queue, create an output folder, set output format or image size, rename files, and create Web galleries. Bibble also has a fast, flexible print queue, with which you can create contact sheets and lay out images on a grid to create customized layouts. Bibble is fully color managed, letting you select from different working spaces and adding your own camera profile. ■

*[As we were going to press, the company announced Bibble version 4.5, adding support for new cameras and a few bug fixes.—Ed.]*

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