The Photoshop CS4 Quick Reference
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The Application Bar
- Launch Bridge
- View Extras - show or hide grids, rulers, or guides.
- Hand Tool
- Zoom Tool
- Rotate View Tool
- Arrange Documents
- Choose a Workspace or define your own
- Screen Mode
- Zoom Level

The Tool Bar
- Move Tool (V)
- Rectangular Marquee Tool (M)
- Lasso Tool (L)
- Magic Wand Tool (W)
- Crop Tool (C)
- Eyedropper Tool (I)
- Healing Brush Tool (J)
- Brush Tool (B)
- Clone Stamp Tool (S)
- History Brush Tool (Y)
- Eraser Tool (E)
- Gradient Tool (G)
- Blur Tool
- Sponge Tool (O)
- Pen Tool (P)
- Text Tool (T)
- Path Selection Tool (A)
- Rounded Rectangle Tool (U)
- 3D Rotate Tool (K)
- 3D Orbit Tool (K)
- Hand Tool (H)
- Zoom Tool (Z)
- Default Colors (D)
- Switch Foreground & Background Colors (X)
- Set Foreground Color
- Set Background Color
- Edit in QuickMask Mode (Q)

Almost every tool in the toolbar has a shortcut key assigned to it. For example, the Marquee tools have the letter “M” assigned. Press M on the keyboard to select the Marquee tool. If there is more than one tool assigned the letter “M” then hold the shift key while you press M to cycle through all the tools with M assigned to it. If there is no letter assigned, you must select those tools manually with the mouse.

Pressing “D” will set the foreground color to black and the background color to white - the default colors. Pressing “X” will switch the foreground and background colors. Clicking on either the foreground or background swatches will bring up a dialog box that will allow you to choose another color.

Double-clicking on the QuickMask Mode button will bring up a dialog that will allow you to change its options.

The small arrow means there are more tools hidden from view. Click and hold to view them!