

Finding historical photos online



Tips for saving photographs

- Check copyright & honour restrictions
- If saving photo for use, record source (where found) and, if using, always cite original source
- More likely OK to use for offline personal family history & not for profit, but always ask
- Click to enlarge so don't just save thumbnail
- Right mouse click to 'Save picture as' or 'Copy image'
- Also 'Copy image URL' or 'Copy Image Location' to note source

Trove 'Pictures, photos, objects'

- Hosted by National Library of Australia
- Trove index includes **some** content from many repositories – but also check repositories' own indexes
- Can choose to sort 'Year (earliest first)' but then also press Sort button
- Can filter to see only online images
- Try adding word 'aerial' to search

Flickr (*free*)

- Photostream is all your photos – and/or can add to albums
- Some albums can be private to you or those you choose to add, while other albums can be public
- Follow repositories of interest to you, eg state archives, libraries, Royal Australian Historical Society – plus your friends
- The Commons area contains images from "the world's public photo archives"

Pinterest (*free*)

- Create 'pin' boards for any subject of interest to you
- From Chrome web store, add a pinterest button to facilitate saving images found
- Pinterest saves source URL for images you save, so you can follow back to original source
- If you want to save images, usually better to go back to original source & save image from there – might also find others
- Search for images & then save to the relevant board
- Follow people or organisations whose boards include pictures likely to interest you
- Can use picture as link into eg recipe, knitting pattern or photos maybe relevant to your family history
- Can log into Pinterest on your phone to see boards or see images Pinterest thinks likely to interest you

Websites

- Australian War Memorial – awm.gov.au (*especially see Collection for photographs*)
- City of Sydney Archives digital photograph bank – bit.ly/CoS-ArchivePix
- Flickr – www.flickr.com
- Google image search – www.google.com.au/imghp?hl=en&tab=wi&ogbl *or just Google search & select Images Tools -> Black and white are more likely historical images, also try adding search word "aerial"*
- Google search by image – images.google.com (*upload an image or paste image URL to ask Google to identify*)
- Historic Tasmanian images – libraries.tas.gov.au/archive-heritage/Pages/images.aspx
- National Archives of Australia – naa.gov.au (*within RecordSearch, select PhotoSearch*)
- Pinterest – www.pinterest.com.au
- Trove – trove.nla.gov.au
- YouTube – youtube.com (*for videos; Library -> History links to images you have recently viewed*)