

Importing Photos Through Bridge

You can use Adobe Bridge to locate images stored in various folders on your system and add them to the current Lightroom catalog. The best way to do this is to add photos to an Auto Import watched folder that you've saved to your Bridge Favorites.

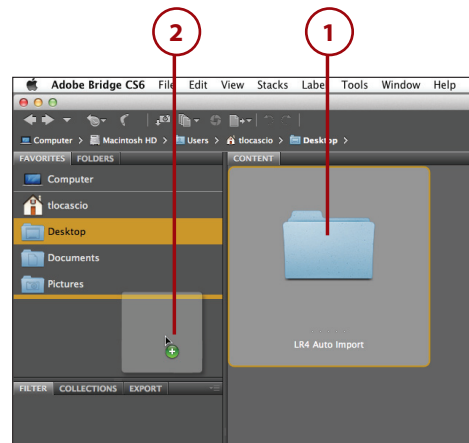
Use Auto Import Through Bridge

1. In Adobe Bridge, navigate to the preexisting Auto Import watched folder (see Using Auto Import in chapter 1, "Getting Started with Lightroom 4").

Do I Have Bridge?

If, in addition to Lightroom 4, you also own a copy of Adobe Photoshop CS2 or later, then you have access to the Bridge browser application.

2. Select the watched folder and drag and drop it into the Bridge Favorites panel.



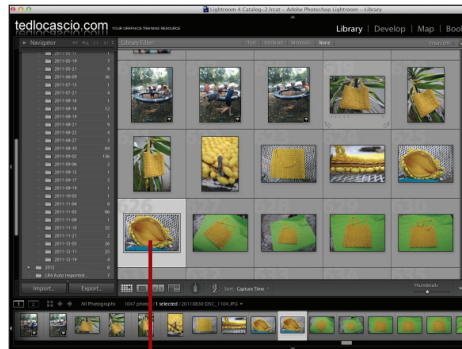
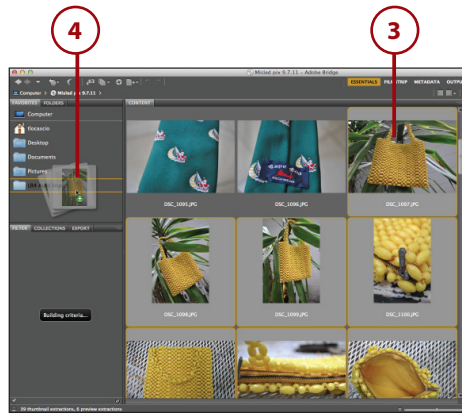
3. Preview and select the photos that you'd like to add to your Lightroom catalog.

Selecting Multiple Photos

Shift+click to select multiple adjacent photos, and Cmd+click (Mac) or Ctrl+click (Win) to select multiple non-adjacent photos.

4. Drag and drop the selected photos onto the watched folder in the Favorites panel.

The photos are automatically imported into the current Lightroom catalog and saved in the Auto Import Destination folder.



Lightroom auto-imports the photos.

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DRAG AND DROP PHOTOS FROM BRIDGE ONTO A LIGHTROOM ALIAS

Another way you can import photos through Bridge is by dragging and dropping. To do so, select the photos in Bridge that you'd like to add to your Lightroom catalog and drag and drop them onto a Lightroom alias you have saved on your desktop, or onto the Lightroom icon saved in the OS X Dock (Mac). When you do, Lightroom displays the Import Photos dialog box. You can then choose your preferred import settings and import them into the current Lightroom catalog.