

How to Open Folder Options in Windows 11

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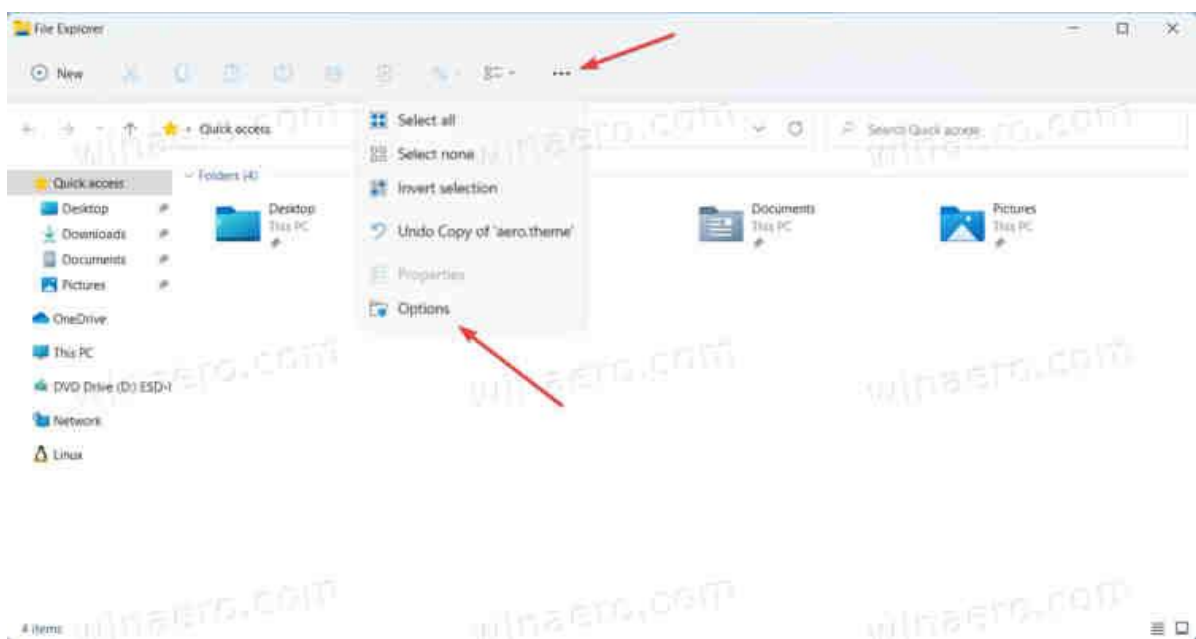
This article will show you how to change folder options in Windows 11. Apart from a radical Start menu overhaul, Windows 11 comes with a new File Explorer that finally replaces the one Microsoft introduced back in 2012.

It looks and works better than the previous version, although it requires learning new patterns and logic behind the new design. Some users have a problem with finding the File Explorer settings in the latest OS.

To find the Folder Options dialog in Windows 11, do the following.

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1. Press Win + E to open File Explorer. You can also use its taskbar shortcut, Windows Search, or any other method.
2. Press the button with three dots. For some reason, Microsoft hides a portion of quite popular commands even on computers with large screens. As you can see in the screenshot below, there are tons of free space, yet Microsoft decided to move selection tools and *Folder Options* into a three-dots menu.
3. Click the *Options* item. Windows will open a familiar window with all your folder settings.

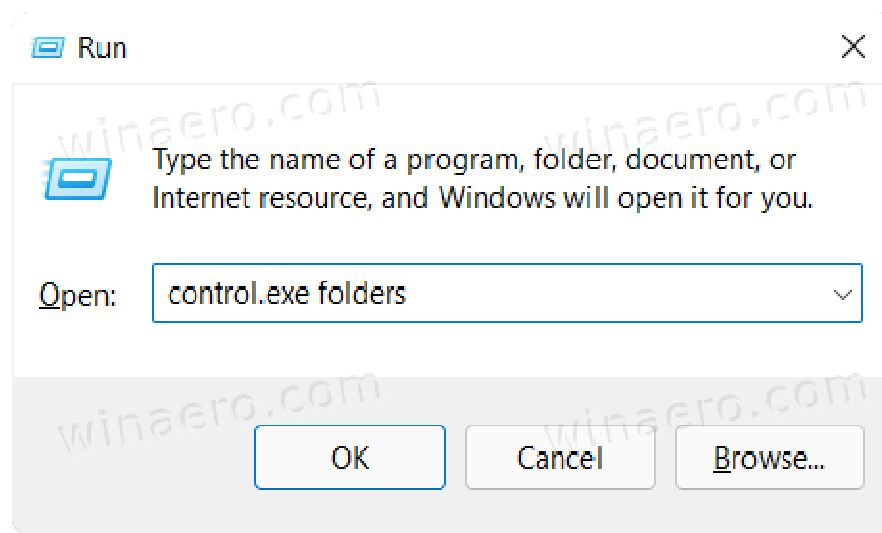


Done. Note: You cannot customize the toolbar in Windows 11 File Explorer. At least yet.

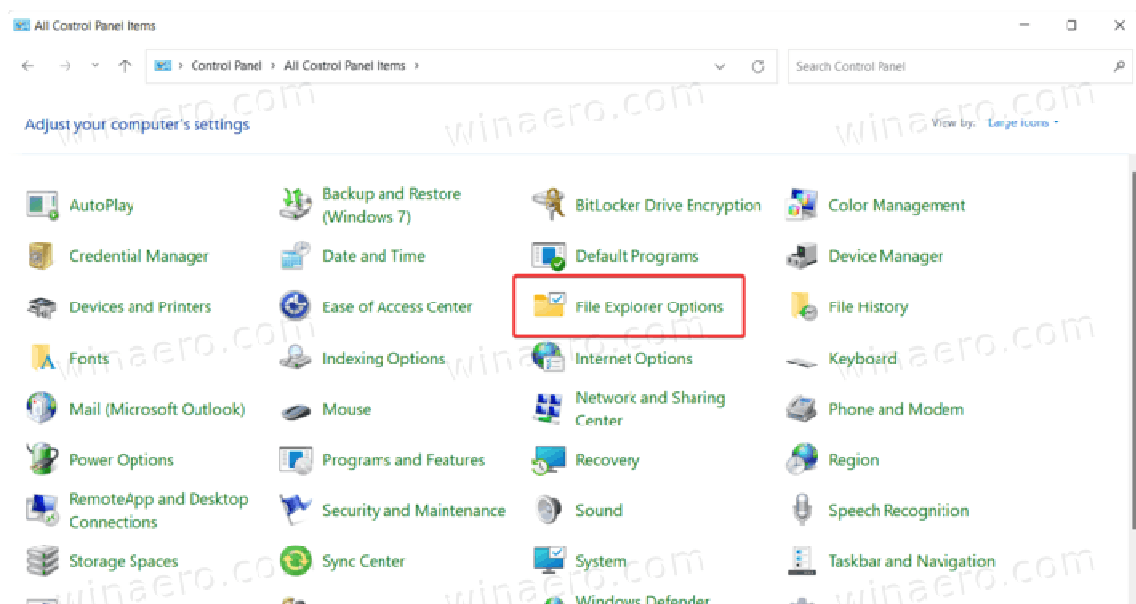
Additional methods to open File Explorer options

There are several ways to open the Explorer settings in Windows 11 that come from previous Windows versions.

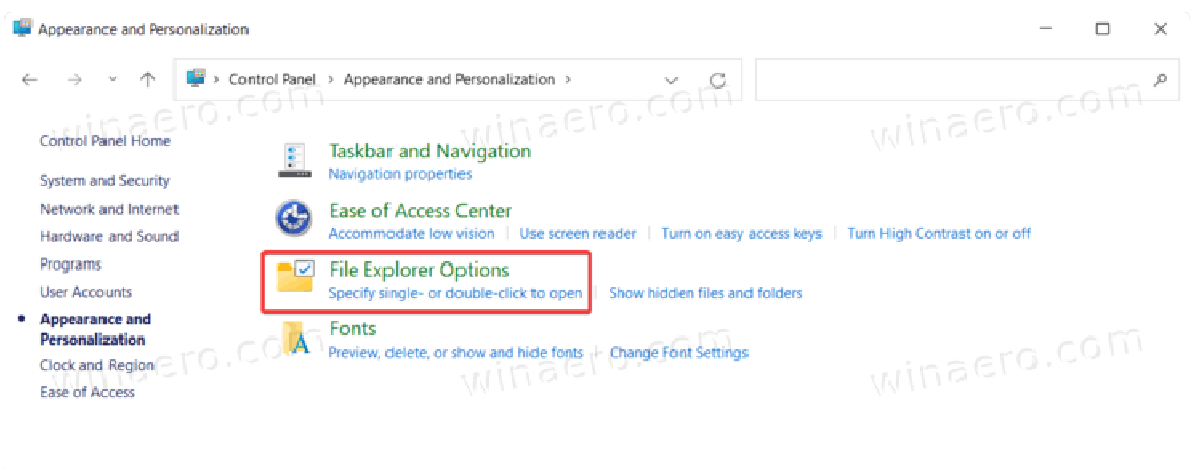
- Press Win + R and enter control.exe folders. Press Enter. After that, Windows 11 will open *Folder Options* right away without the need to open the new menus in File Explorer.



- Open the classic Control Panel, then click *File Explorer Options*.



- If you use the Category view, click *Appearance and Personalization > File Explorer Options*.



- You can also use Windows Search to find the File Explorer settings in Windows 11. Press Win + S or simply open the Start menu and start typing *Options*. Windows 11 will show you File Explorer Options in the search results.

That is it. Now you know how to change options for folders in Windows 11.