



VideoStudio - How to use Instant Projects

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Instant Project templates let you fast-track the movie creation process by providing you with pre-assembled movie projects. Simply exchange the placeholder clips and photos of your own media, and you're done. They are also a great way to learn about the components of a movie project.

You can use one template for the entire movie, or you can add more than one template. For example, you can use different templates for the start, middle, and end of your movie. You can even create and save custom templates. For example, if you are creating a series of videos, you can create a template so that all the videos have a consistent style.

To open an Instant Project template

In the **Edit** workspace, click the **Template** button in the **Library** panel.

In the category list, click any Instant Project category.

To preview a template, click the template thumbnail then click the **Play** button in the Player panel.

Right-click the template thumbnail and choose the point of insertion in the Timeline between **Add at the beginning** and **Add at the end**. The template is added to the Timeline. You can also add a template to your project by dragging the thumbnail to the Timeline.

To replace clips, photos, and music in an Instant Project template

Do one of the following:

1. On the Timeline toolbar, enable the **Replace Mode** button (the button changes to blue when active) and drag a clip, photo, or music track from the Library to the appropriate placeholder clip, photo, or music track on the Timeline. You can turn off **Replace Mode** when you are finished to return to the previous Timeline mode.
2. Drag a clip, photo, or music track from the Library to the appropriate placeholder clip, photo, or music track on the Timeline, and press CTRL before you release the mouse button.

When you open a template in the Timeline, any clips that have been marked as placeholders display a blue check mark in the upper right corner.

To create an Instant Project template

1. Open the video project that you want to save as a template.
2. In the Timeline, right-click and choose **Mark Replaceable Clips** from the context menu. An orange outline appears around the project in the Timeline.
3. Click all the clips that you want to mark as replaceable. An orange outline and a check mark appears on the selected clips.
4. In the upper right corner of the Timeline, click **Done**.
5. Click **File > Export as template > Instant Project Template**.
6. Click **Yes** when prompted to save your project.
7. Enter a **File name**, **Subject** and **Description**.
8. Browse for the folder where you want to save your template and click **Save**.
9. In the **Export project as template** dialog box, move the slider to display the thumbnail that you want to use for the template.

10. Specify the path and folder name. Choose the category from the drop-list where you want to keep your template. Template details will also be displayed.
11. Click **OK**.

To import project templates

1. In the **Edit** workspace, click the **Template** button in the **Library** panel.
 2. Click the **Import a project template** button and browse for the .vpt file that you want to import.
 3. Click **Open**.
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