

# PaintShop Pro Tutorials

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## TITLE: REFLECTIONS

PaintShop Pro X6

Website: [Creative-Designs](#)

Materials: [Butterfly.zip](#)

Previous versions can be applied

### DESCRIPTION

Use PaintShop Pro's reflection Layer Styles to create a very effective graphic showing an object with a reflection.

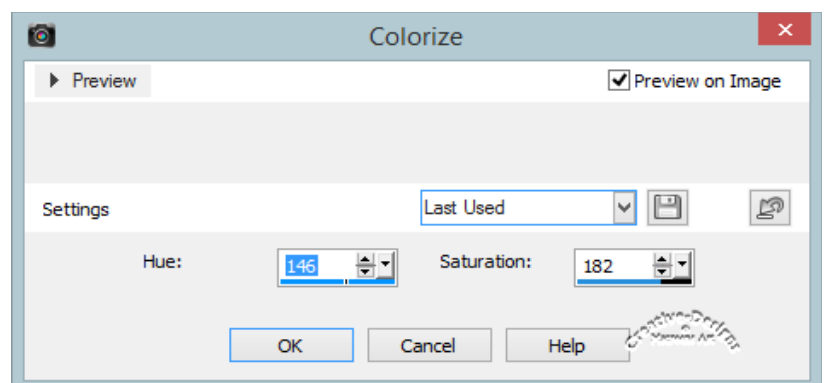


### APPLY BACKGROUND COLOUR

Open a canvas approximately 450 x 650 and flood fill with a solid colour of your choice that will complement the Picture Tube or ClipArt being used.

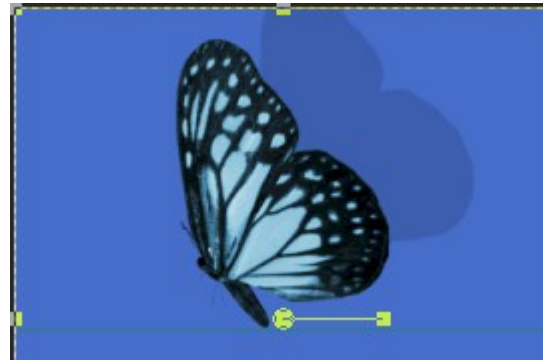
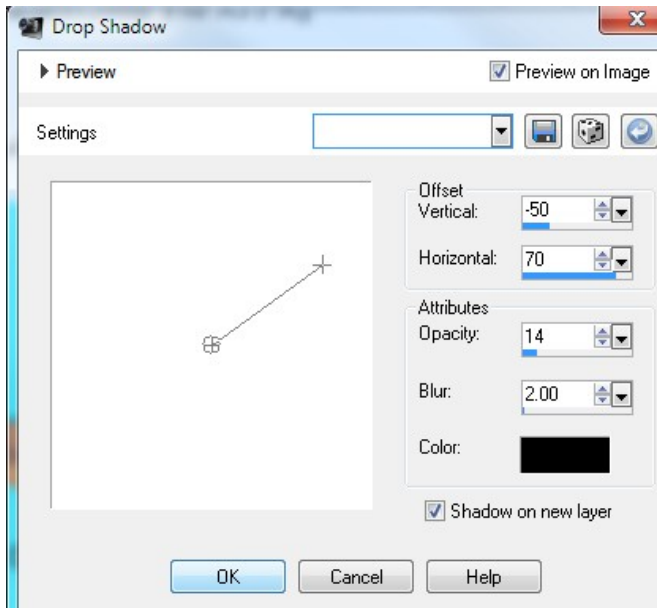
Open the butterfly image in your workspace. Go to Edit, Copy. Select the canvas, go to Edit and Paste as a New Layer. Adjust the image on the canvas.

Let's change the colour of the butterfly. Go to Adjust, Hue and Saturation, Colourise. Depending on the colour you selected for your background, choose a colour for the butterfly that will complement. Adjust the sliders on the colourise dialogue until you get the desired colour.

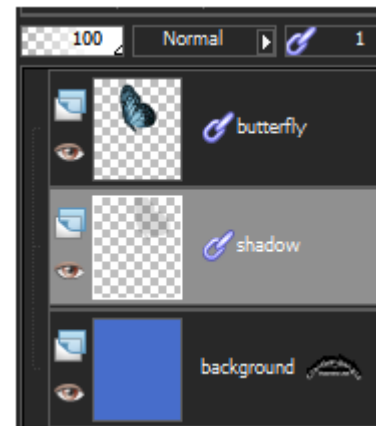


To add a little lightness and brightness, go back to Adjust and select Brightness and Contrast, Fill, Light/Clarity. Again, adjust the sliders to give you the correct effect you want. Be careful though as you can make the image too garish and horribly bright or dark.

I then added a shadow. Tick the box to place the shadow on its own layer.



The layer palette should look like this.



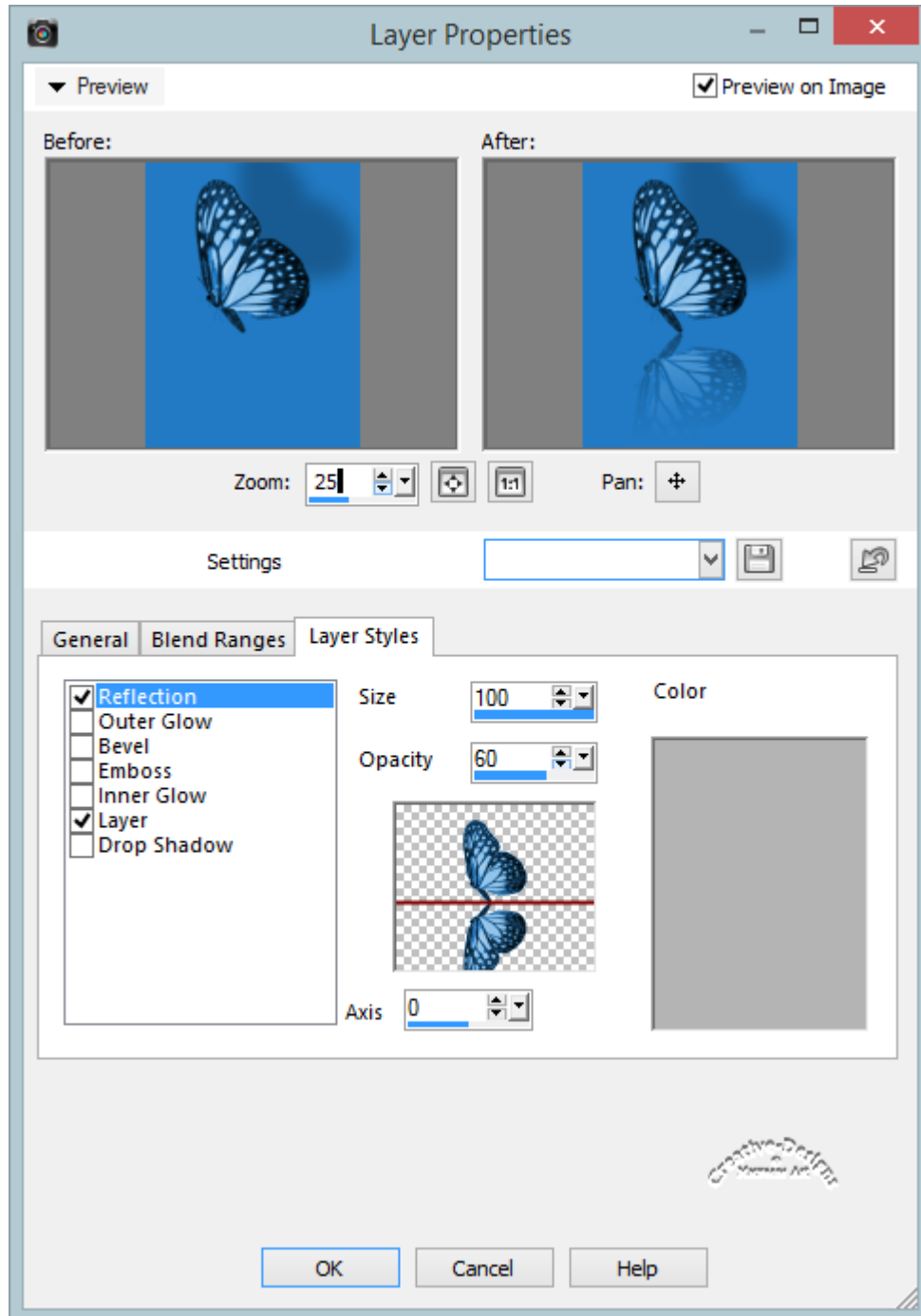
Double click on the butterfly layer in the Layers Palette to open the Layer Properties.

Place a tick in the preview on image at the top right and place the window so you can see the effect happening on the canvas.

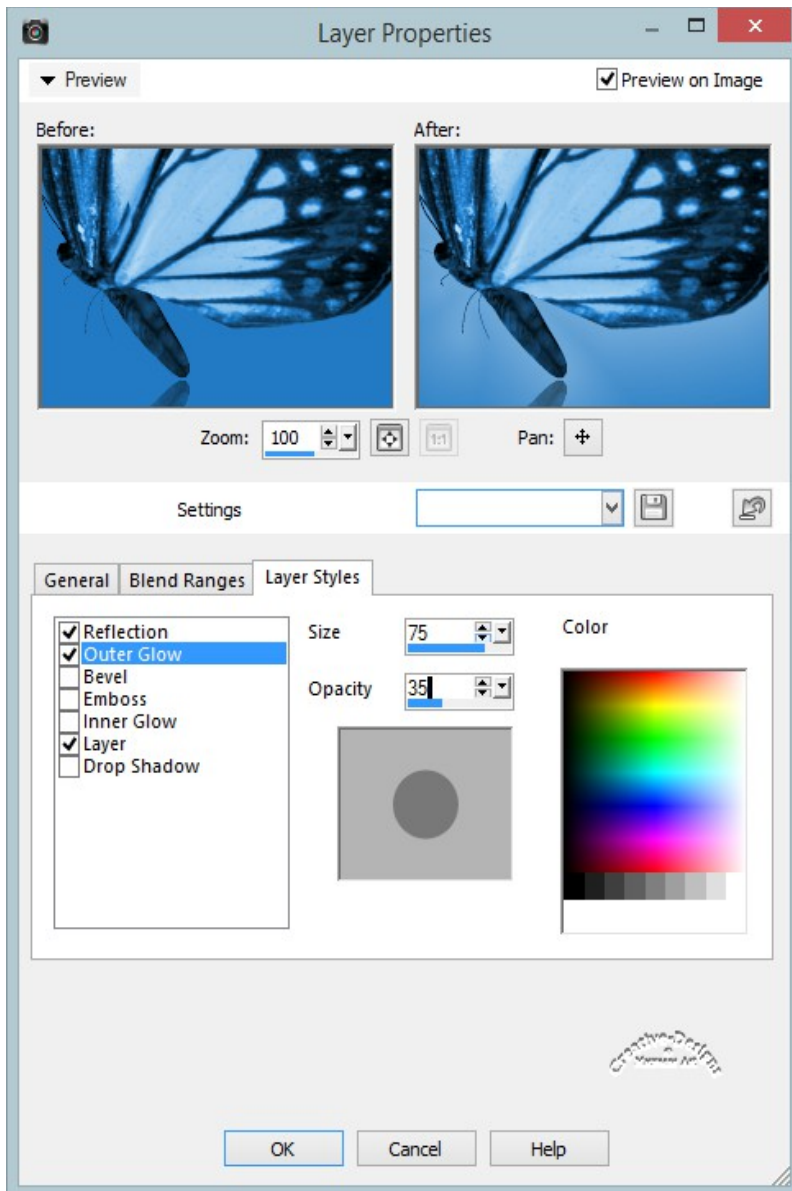
There are three tabs, choose layer styles. Zoom out at about 25, so you have a full view in the before and after panes. On the left side there is a list with tick boxes, choose Reflection.

Apply the settings shown below.

For those with earlier versions of PSP you do not have values for Size or Opacity. You will need to move the slider until you achieve the desired reflection. Click OK.



Now let's add a little Outer Glow. Double click on the Butterfly layer again to open Layer Properties and select the Layer Styles tab again. This time tick the Outer Glow box.



The sliders for size and opacity will require adjusting.

Apply the settings shown. The glow colour should be white by default, if it isn't, then change it to white. Click OK.

Right click on any layer in the layer palette and merge visible.

Your reflection image is now complete.

A sample image using different colours and background textures.

