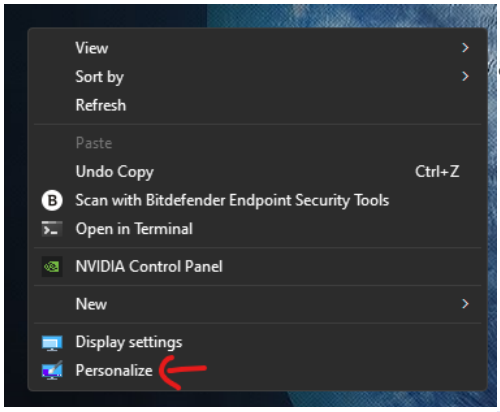
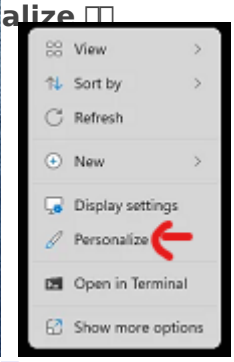
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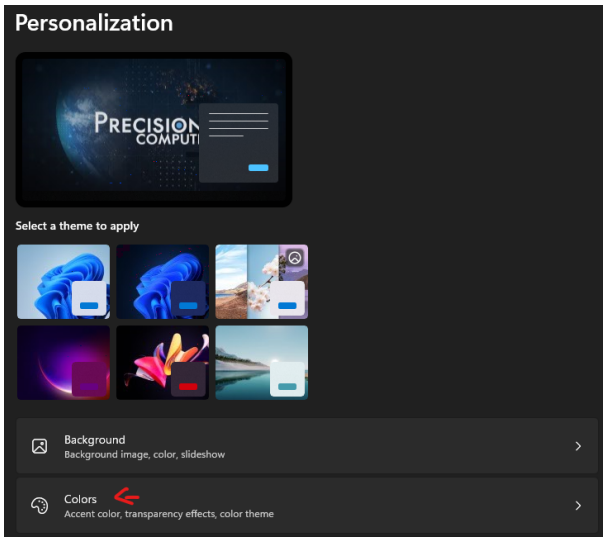
How do I change between Dark and Light Windows Theme

Quick start (everything Light or Dark) ⚡

1. 



2. Go to **Colors** ◫



3. Under **Choose your mode** select:
   - **Light** ☀ — makes both apps and Windows menus light
   - **Dark** □□ — makes both apps and Windows menus dark

Different look for Apps vs. Menus (Custom) □□

Want, say, a light taskbar but dark apps (or the reverse)? Do this:

1. **Right-click** desktop → **Personalize** → **Colors** □□
2. Set **Choose your mode** to **Custom** □□
3. Pick each separately:
   - **Choose your default Windows mode** = **Menus/UI** (Start, taskbar, Settings, File Explorer chrome) □□
     - **Light** ☀ or **Dark** □□
   - **Choose your default app mode** = **Most apps** □□
     - **Light** ☀ or **Dark** □□

> If you switch back to **Light** or **Dark** (not Custom), Windows will make **both** menus and apps match that choice.

Optional niceties □

- **Transparency effects**: On the same **Colors** page, toggle **Transparency effects** to taste □□
- **Accent color**: Still in **Personalize → Colors**, choose **Accent color** (Auto/Manual) and whether it **shows on Start, taskbar, and title bars** □□

Notes □□

- These steps work in **Windows 11 and Windows 10** (names look the same).
- Some apps have their **own** theme switch; those can override your **default app mode**.