

thebuttonguy.net

Thebuttonguy.net is a website where you can both download templates for buttons to make them in Word or Photoshop, as well as use their online web button designer. These instructions will cover using the online button designer but if you're more comfortable using Word, Photoshop or one of the other programs they support you can download and use the templates. (For Word use the Word 97 templates)



The screenshot shows the homepage of 'The Button Guy Blog For Button Making'. At the top left is a circular logo featuring a cartoon character with glasses and a bow tie. To the right of the logo is the title 'The Button Guy' in large pink letters, with 'Blog For Button Making' underneath. Below the title is a navigation menu with links: Home | Blog | About | Button Maker Guide | Button Making Tutorial Videos | Templates | Downloads and Resources | Contact. To the right of the navigation menu are social media icons for WordPress, Twitter, YouTube, Facebook, Tumblr, and Pinterest. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column has two boxes: the top one contains the 'THE BUTTON GUY ONLINE BUTTON DESIGNER' logo and the text 'FREE ONLINE BUTTON DESIGNER'; the bottom one contains a grid of button templates and the text 'TEMPLATES'. The right column has two boxes: the top one contains a button-making machine and the text 'BUTTON MAKING TUTORIAL VIDEOS'; the bottom one contains a button-making machine and the text 'DOWNLOADS & RESOURCES'. Two callout boxes with arrows point to the 'Online Button Designer' and 'Downloadable Templates' sections. There are also two advertisements on the right side: 'Flex Button Machines' and 'PEOPLE POWER'.

After clicking the Online Button designer, click on the login or signup button.

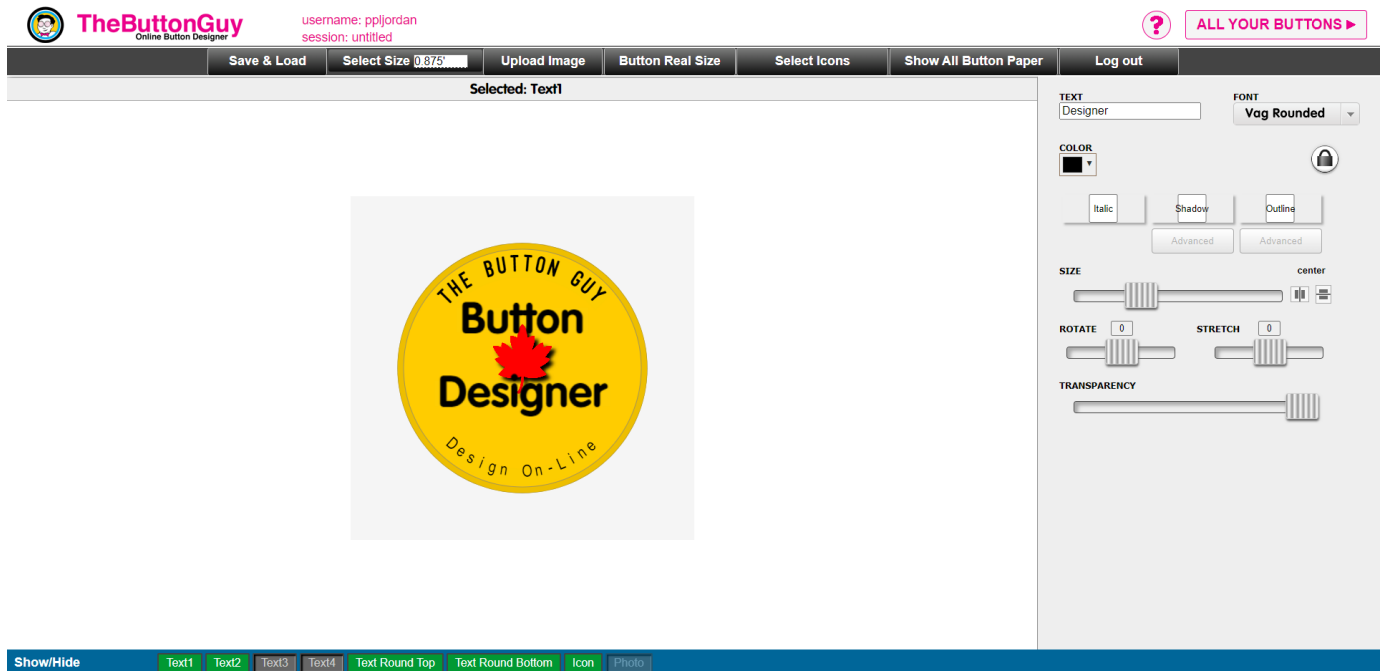


The screenshot shows the 'The Button Guy's Online Button Designer' interface. At the top left is the same cartoon character logo. To the right is the title 'The Button Guy's Online Button Designer'. Below the title is a navigation bar with four buttons: 'LOGIN or SIGNUP To my FREE account', 'SEE EXAMPLES Text, Photos, Borders, Gradients', 'CONTACT The Button Guy', and 'ORDER Buttons'. The 'LOGIN or SIGNUP' button is highlighted with a purple box. Below the navigation bar is the heading 'Try Our Free Online Button Designer'. Underneath is a paragraph of text: 'This Online Button Designer is made for button makers and hobbyists who want to design buttons but do not have experience using graphic design programs like Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, Gimp or any classic design software. While these programs are excellent for designing buttons, they can be expensive. Even if you have the program there is a substantial learning curve before you can design a simple button.' At the bottom right is a partial view of the 'THE BUTTON GUY' logo.

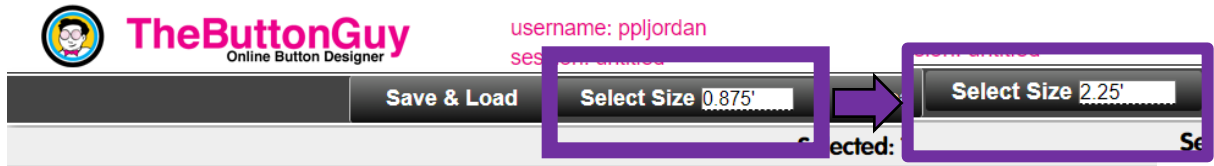
Either login to your account or create a new one.



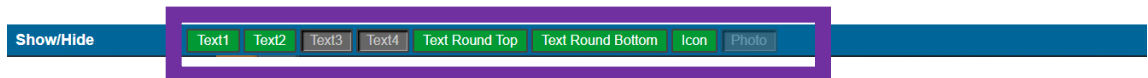
After creating an account and/or signing in, you will be brought to the main screen of the online button designer.



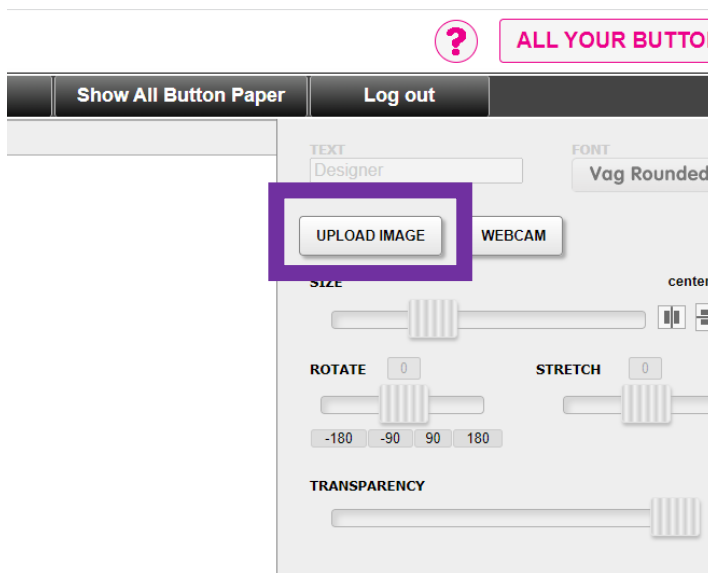
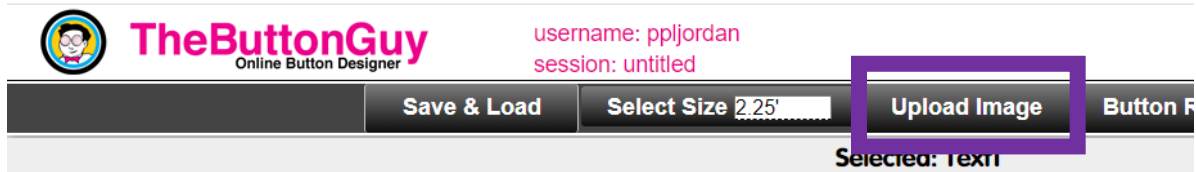
1. Change Button Size to 2.25. You MUST change this first or your entire design will reset when you change it later.



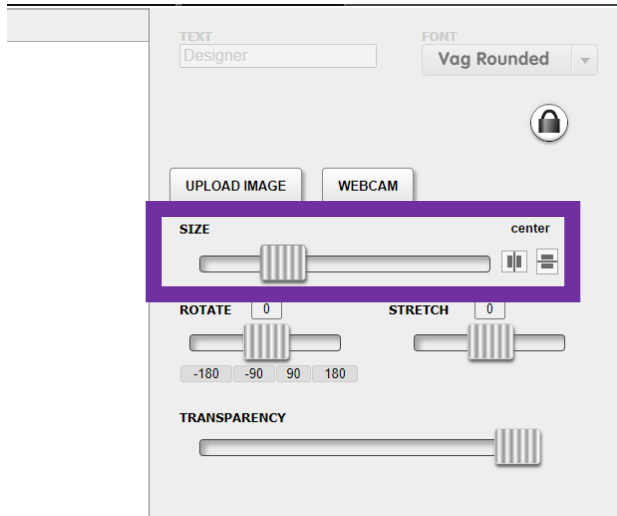
2. Remove unneeded elements by clicking the green buttons to make them gray.



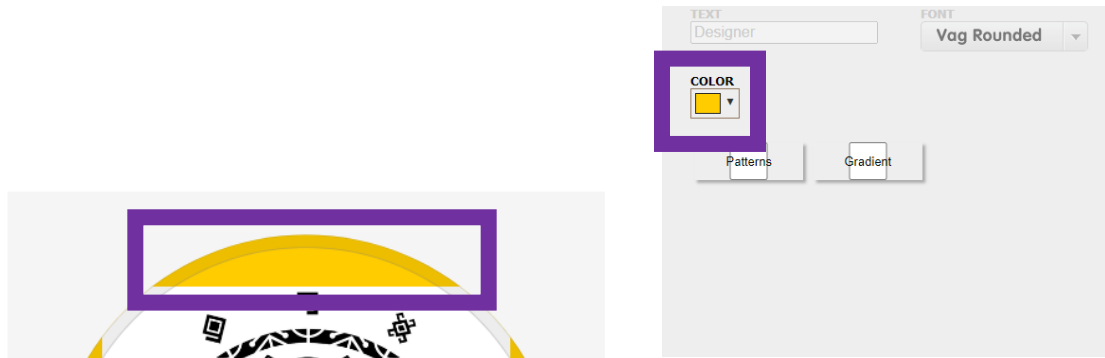
3. To add an image, click "Upload Image" near the top and then click the "Upload Image" button on the sidebar. Then find the picture you want to use on your computer.



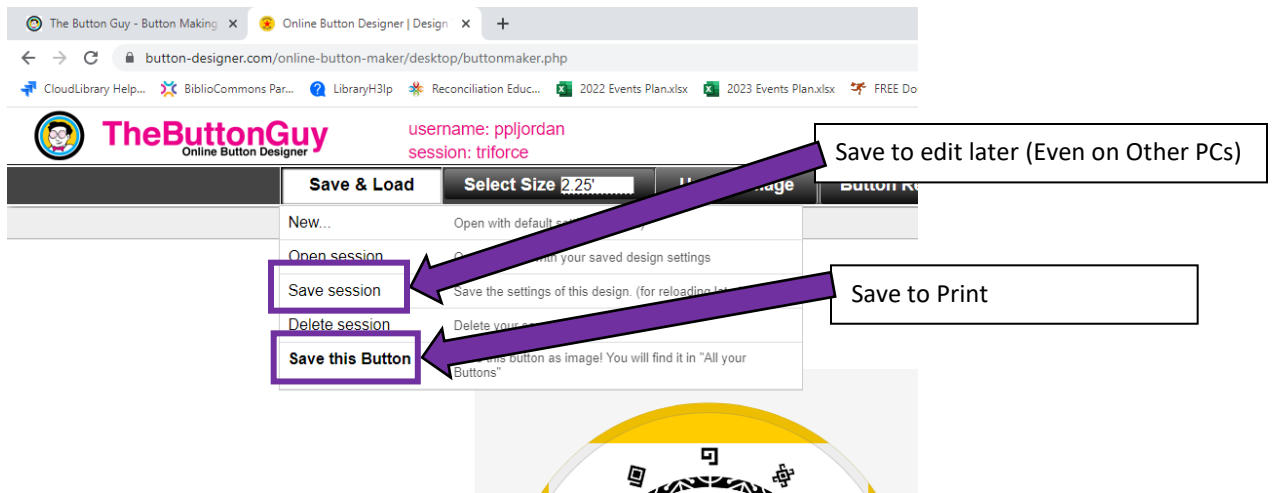
4. Resize the image if needed.



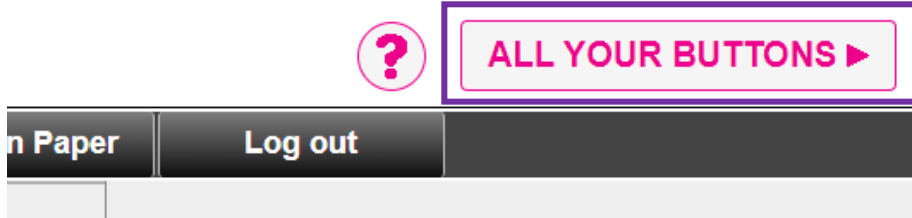
5. You can change the colour of the background by clicking on the yellow background and clicking the color option.



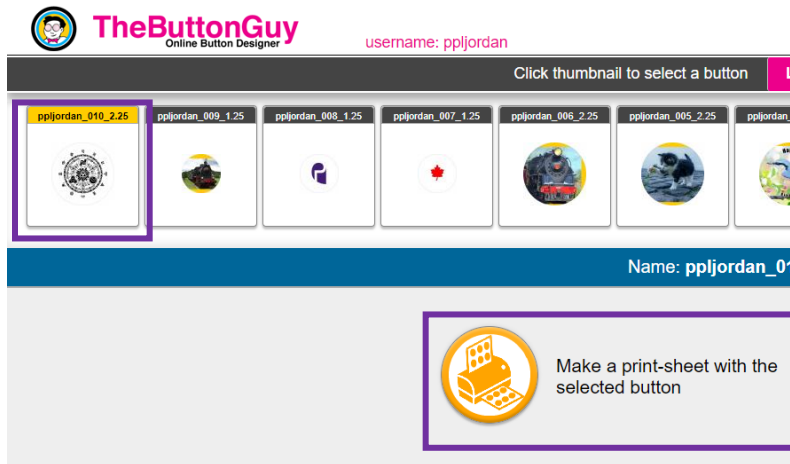
6. Once your button is ready you can Save it. Choose Save Session if you would like to edit the button later. Choose Save this Button to print it.



1. To print, click “All your Buttons”



2a. If you want to print one button, click the button you want to print and click “Make a print-sheet with the selected button”



2b. To make a print sheet of multiple buttons, click “Make a print-sheet with different buttons of the game size...” and drag the buttons you want on the print sheet. When ready, click “Make the print-sheet”

