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For precise control of the overall color or a single color in an image, use the Advanced Color tool in Develop to adjust the saturation, brightness or hue of an image.

Select an image in Manage mode and click **Process**.

In Develop, click + to open the Advanced Color tool.



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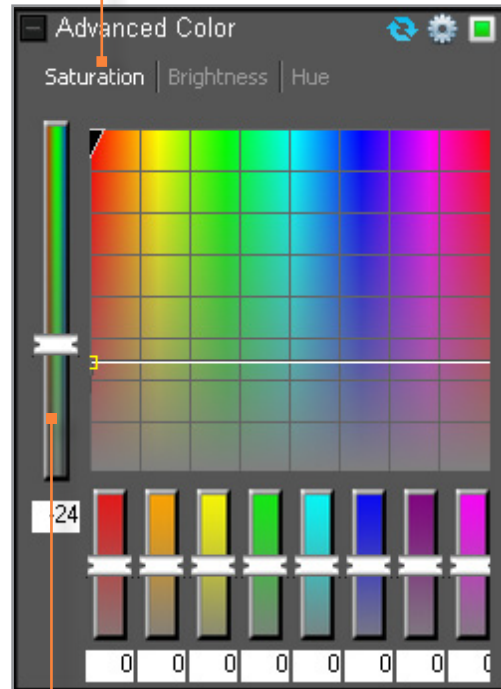
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Use Saturation to saturate the image. In this tutorial, Saturation is used to saturate the entire image. Saturation is shown first by default, followed by Brightness and Hue.



Adjust the vertical slider.

Adjusting this slider adjusts the overall color of the image. You can also enter a value into the box below the slider for precise adjustments. You can also right-click on the slider to reset it to the default value.

To increase the saturation of an image, you can also use Vibrance in Develop. Vibrance lets you adjust the saturation without affecting skin tones.



The vertical slider was used to decrease the saturation in the entire image.

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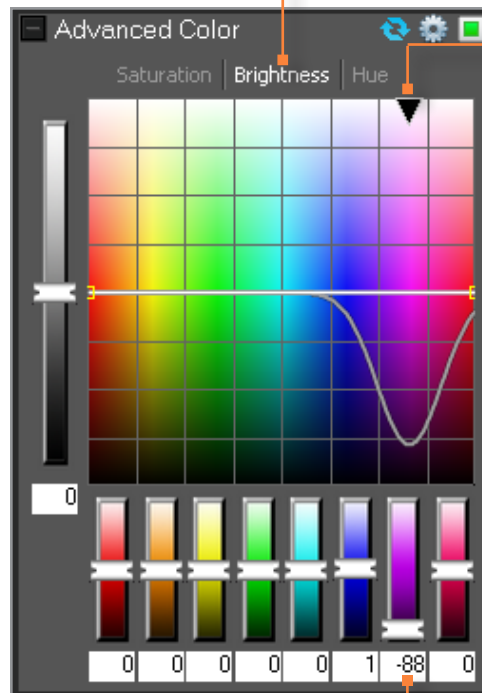
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To increase or decrease the brightness of a color, use Brightness. In this tutorial, only the brightness of the flower is changed.

Click **Brightness**.



Place your cursor on the color you want to change on the image. The cursor becomes a double-pointed arrow. Drag up to increase or drag down to decrease the brightness. When you place your cursor over the image, the black arrow on the graph moves to indicate the color that is underneath the cursor.



You can adjust the sliders to change each individual color in the image. You can also right-click on the slider to reset it to the default value.

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Use Hue to adjust the hue in the image. The Hue was used to change the purple flower to red.

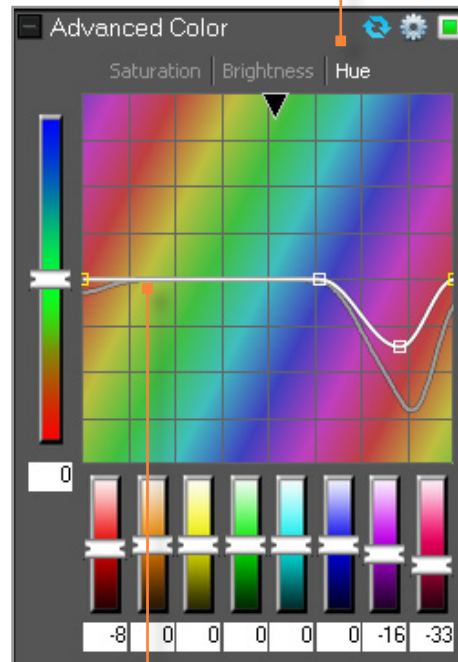
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Click Hue.



Place your cursor on the white line, and click and drag to the desired setting. When you release your cursor, a node is applied to the graph. You can apply as many nodes as you want. To remove a node, click and drag it up and out of the graph, or click and drag it down and out of the graph.



You can adjust the white curve in the Curve control graph. The black curve represents the combination of the slider positions and the white curve adjustments.

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Check to see if you learned these key concepts:

- » Use the Saturation tool to increase or decrease the vividness of the entire image or on a color by color basis.
- » Use the Brightness tool to increase or decrease the brightness of the entire image or on a color by color basis.
- » Use the Hue tool to change the color of the entire image or on a color by color basis.
- » Adjust the vertical slider to change the saturation, brightness, or hue of the entire image.
- » Adjust the Curve control graph, individual color sliders, or click and drag directly on the image to make corrections to individual colors.
- » Use the Vibrance tool in Develop to quickly adjust the overall vibrancy of an image without affecting skin tones.