

# Custom Domain Information

Any upgraded Photo Finale, Foto Depot, or Proofing Gallery site (single page PFSR or multi-page PFE) may opt to have a custom domain (fees apply). This means, that instead of yoursite.photofinale.com or yoursite.fotodepot.ca, your store's web address would be www.yourphoto.com or yourphoto.yoursite.com and all links would use that URL.

How to set up a custom domain for your site:

1. **Buy Domain:** If you haven't already registered the domain you want to use, buy it. **Your custom domain name must be pre-approved by Photo Finale to verify that it is unique on our platform and that it follows our guidelines.** You can buy this from a provider, such as [NameCheap](#). Domain names (or subdomain names of your main domain) must be unique across the platform and cannot utilize reserved terms (see list below).
2. **DNS & SSL:** We will purchase and keep the SSL certificate for your site up to date. We charge a yearly fee of \$50.

In your DNS, you will need to add these entries to your zone.

For a main-level domain:

Name	Type	Value	TTL
@ (root/naked domain)	A	165.254.179.34	21600
www	CNAME	customdomain.photofinale.com	21600

For a sub domain of your current main site:

Name	Type	Value	TTL
[photo-vdir].[mainsite.com]	CNAME	customdomain.photofinale.com	21600

If you have any questions on this please feel free to contact [support@photofinale.com](mailto:support@photofinale.com).

## Reserved Generic Names

Custom domain names may not use these reserved, generic terms as their domain or subdomain. Plural and gerund forms of these terms are also reserved.

- album
- android
- app
- book
- builder
- buy
- ca
- calendar
- canada
- canvas
- card
- cart
- collection
- checkout
- create
- engine
- enlargement
- event
- gallery
- gift
- help
- html
- ios
- lab
- member
- membership
- mobile
- mug
- my
- myphoto
- myprint
- myproof
- mystudio
- online
- order
- passport

- photo
- portfolio
- portrait
- poster
- print
- pro
- project
- proof
- session
- share
- shop
- sports
- store
- studio
- uk
- us
- web
- wedding

Photo Finale must pre-approve all domain names and reserves the right to disallow specific names for any reason.