



# DEHANCER

AFFINITY PHOTO PLUGIN SETUP GUIDE



# Dehancer Film plugin for Affinity Photo

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## System Requirements (macOS)

### Hardware requirements:

- Apple Macintosh, starting from middle 2012
- Metal-enabled GPU
- Optimised for Apple Silicon M1 / M1 Pro / M1 Max

**Two dedicated distributives for Intel and for M1 are provided within the installation package.**

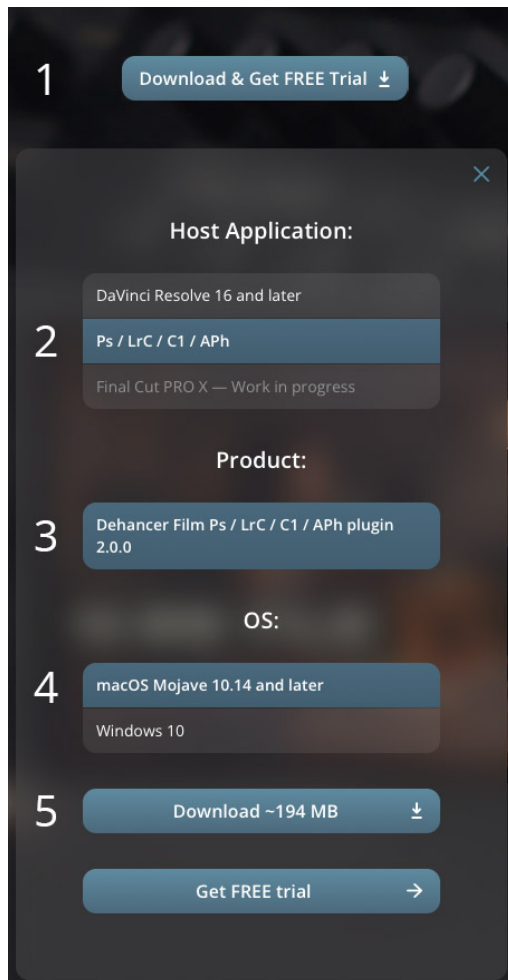
### Software compatibility:

- MacOS Mojave 10.14.5 or later
- Any current version of Affinity Photo that supports loading Adobe Photoshop plugins

**Note:** We do not officially support 'hackintosh,' virtual machines and other home-brew systems, while it could worth a try. Also, operation with hacked or modified host applications and OS is not guaranteed.

## Downloading and choosing the right package

1. Make sure that your computer meets the **system requirements** for the plugin to work correctly.
2. Download the latest version of the plugin from **www.dehancer.com**



1. Press the button **Download and Get FREE Trial**.
2. Select **Ps / LrC / C1 / APh** as the Host Application.
3. Select **Dehancer Film Ps / LrC / C1 / APh plugin** as the Product.
4. Check the **Operating System** selection.
5. Hit **Download** button.  
Your download will start automatically.

3. Unzip the downloaded zip file, if your system didn't do it automatically:

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**ATTENTION!**  
**The Adobe Photoshop plugin is used for Affinity Photo installation**

**Intel-based macs:**

Use the **x86** Dehancer plugin installation file.

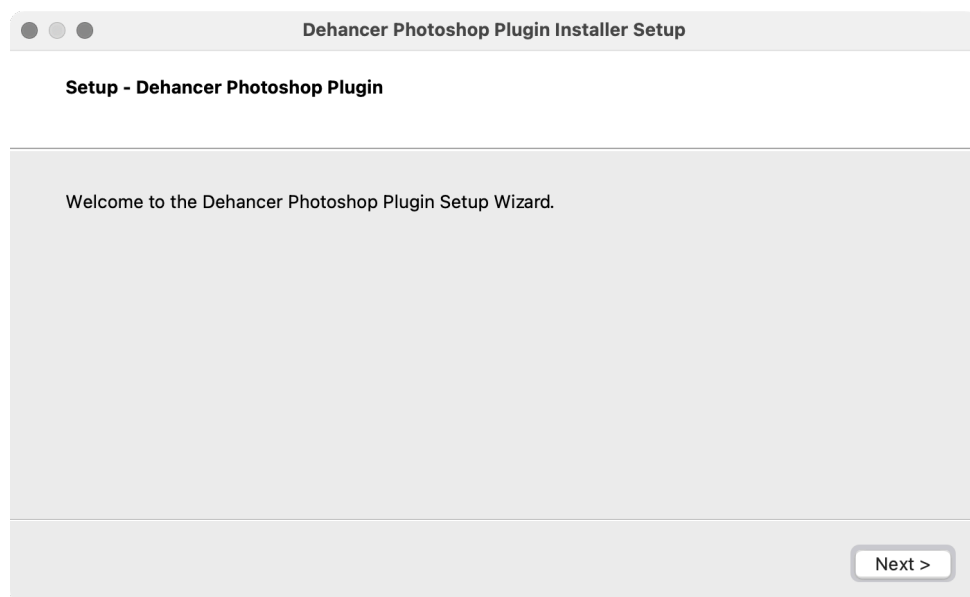
**Apple Silicon M1/M2 macs:**

On Apple Silicon macs Affinity Photo must be launched in **Rosetta x86 emulation mode** to run Dehancer plugin properly.

To do this, open the Applications folder, look for the Affinity Photo subfolder, locate Affinity Photo.app and select 'Get Info' from the right-click menu (or press Cmd + I).

Enable the '**Open with Rosetta**' option and use the **x86 Dehancer plugin** installation file.

5. Run the **Photoshop** installation file and follow the installation steps.



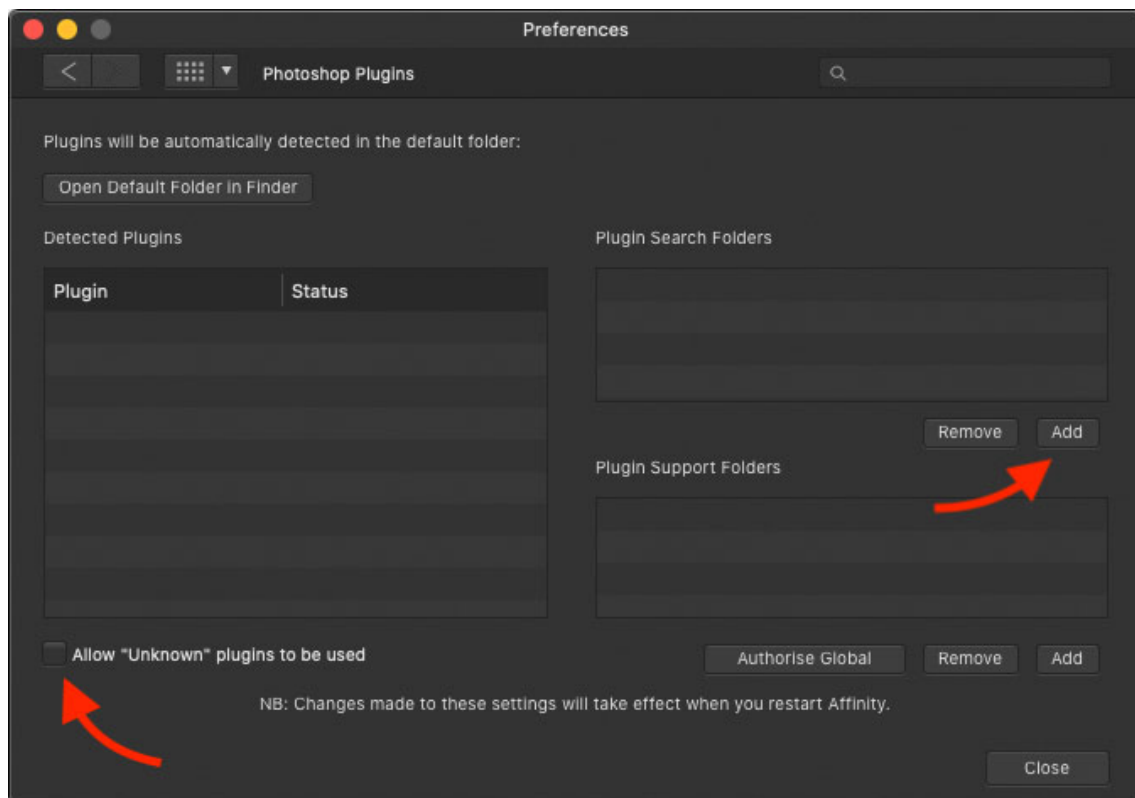
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## Dehancer Film for Affinity Photo (macOS)

6. Launch **Affinity Photo**. If the program was already running, you don't need to restart it.

7. Open Affinity Photo plugins preferences:

**Affinity Photo** → **Preferences** → **Photoshop Plugins**



8. Click the **Add** button under the **Plugin Search Folders** list and specify the installed Dehancer Photoshop plugin location:

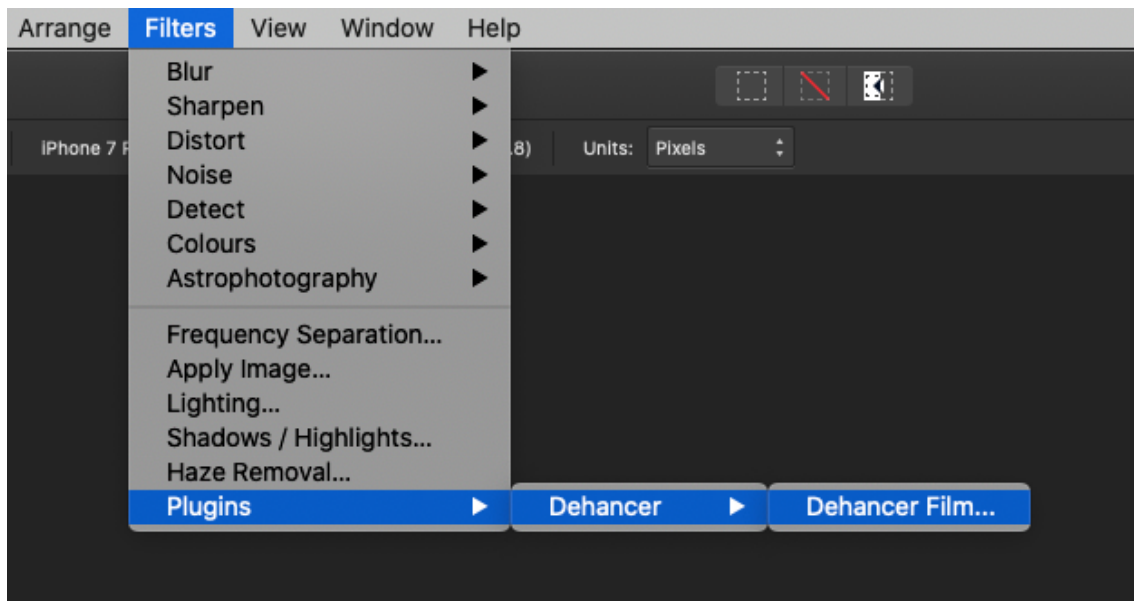
**Macintosh HD/Library/Application Support/Adobe/Plug-Ins/CC/Dehancer**

9. Enable the checkbox **Allow "Unknown" plugins to be used**

10. **Close** Preferences and **restart Affinity Photo** as required.

11. After the application is restarted, a new plugin should appear in the list:

**Filters → Plugins → Dehancer → Dehancer Film**

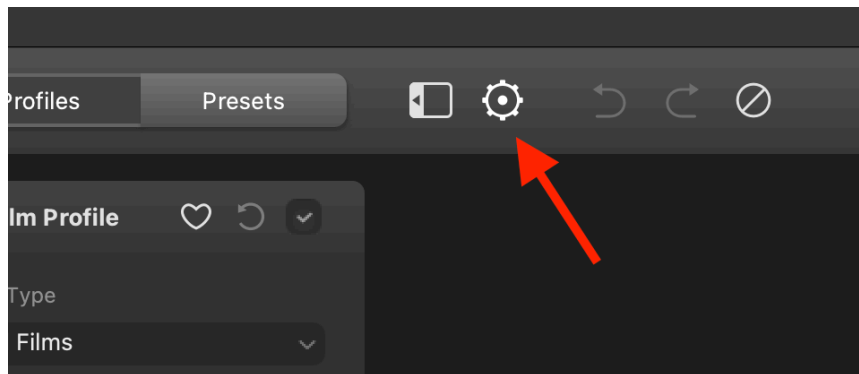


Note that your image must be presented in the **sRGB color space** to be displayed and processed properly. Support for other color spaces will be added later.

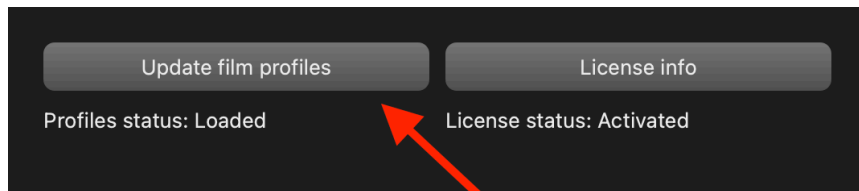
→ Related article:

[Recommended Color Settings for Dehancer Ps/LrC](#)

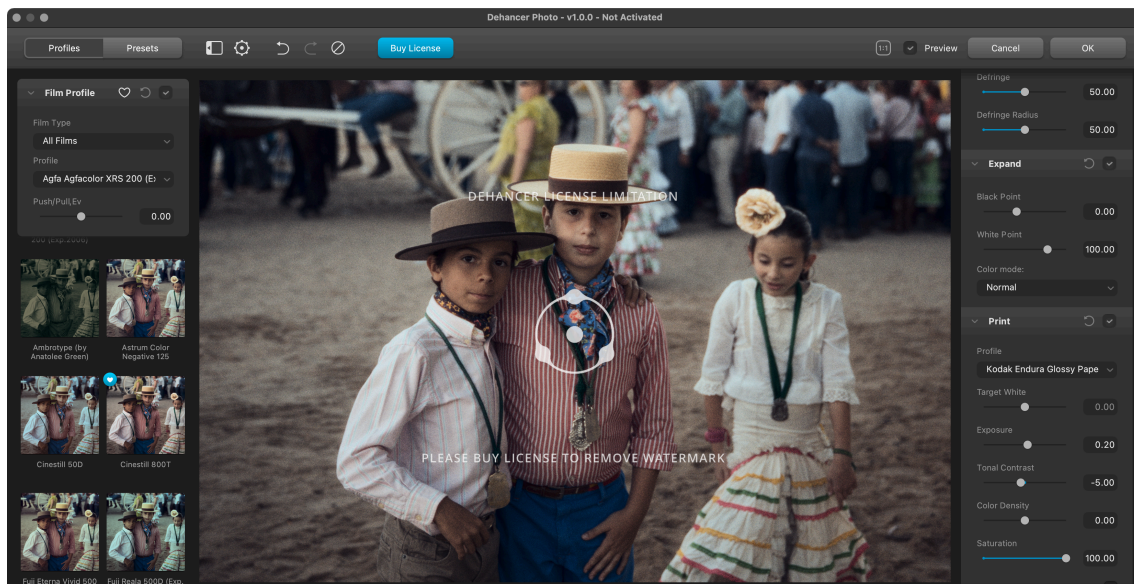
12. At first launch, the Settings window will open automatically. You can also open the Settings at any time by clicking on the gear icon in the toolbar.



13. Use the button **Update Film Profiles** to download the profiles the first time.



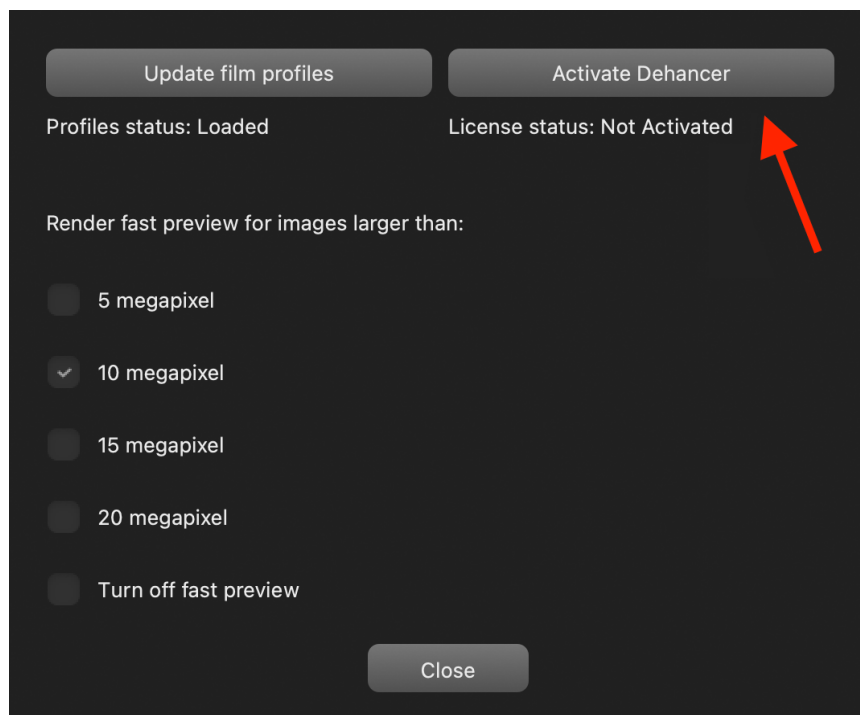
14. Now Dehancer is ready to use.



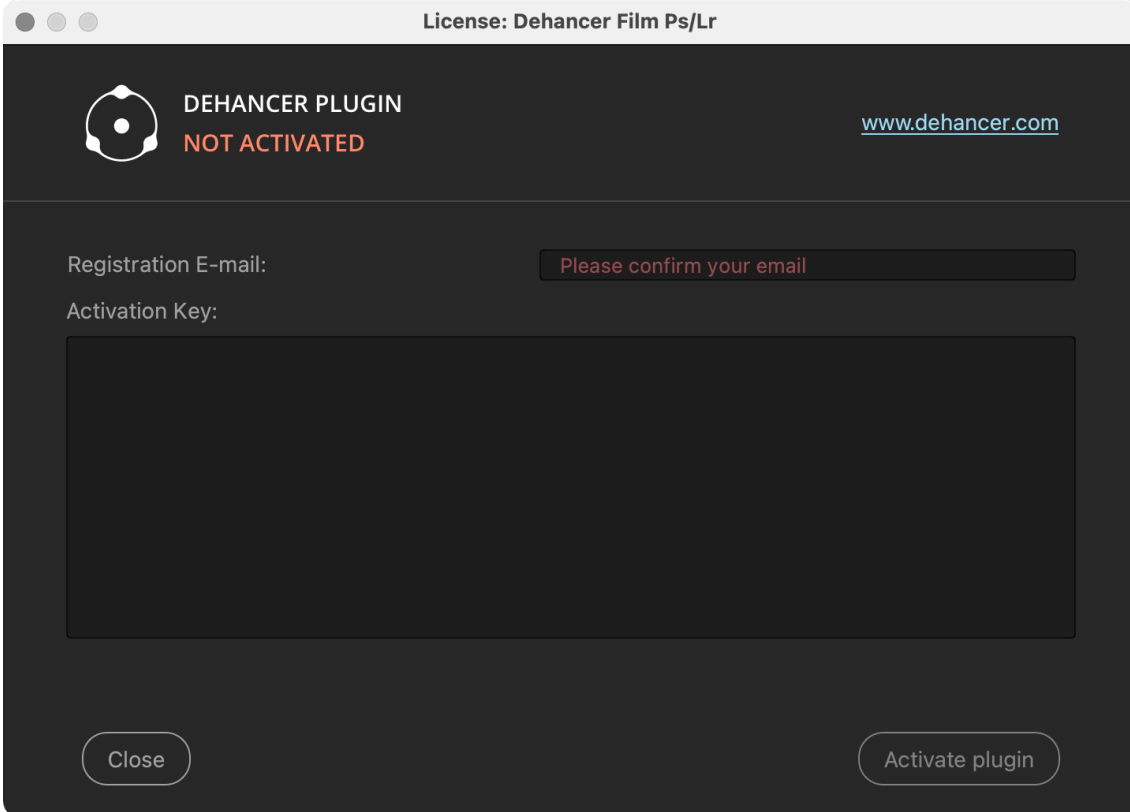
15. To remove the watermark, buy the License or **get the free 2-week trial on our website.** The License will be automatically sent to your account email and displayed in your User Profile as well.

Each License contains Activation Keys for two workstations (seats). Each Key activates both plugins – Adobe Photoshop and Adobe Lightroom.

16. Launch the Activation widget.



17. Enter your email and Activation Key, then press the **Activate plugin** button.



The image shows a dark-themed window titled "License: Dehancer Film Ps/Lr". In the top left corner is the Dehancer logo, a stylized white circle with four dots. To its right, the text "DEHANCER PLUGIN" is displayed in white, with "NOT ACTIVATED" in orange below it. In the top right corner, the URL [www.dehancer.com](http://www.dehancer.com) is shown in blue. The main area of the window contains two input fields. The first is labeled "Registration E-mail:" and contains the placeholder text "Please confirm your email" in red. The second is labeled "Activation Key:" and is a large, empty rectangular box. At the bottom left is a "Close" button, and at the bottom right is an "Activate plugin" button.

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[www.dehancer.com](http://www.dehancer.com)

Registration E-mail: Please confirm your email

Activation Key:

Close Activate plugin

18. Enjoy!

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## Recommended RAW settings

**While developing RAW photos in Affinity Photo, we recommend:**

- Correct the most severe deviations in exposure and white balance
- Use the linear contrast curve if possible, avoiding clipping in shadows and highlights
- Disable noise reduction and sharpening
- Avoid any local enhancements which might cause visible halos
- Work with developed files in **sRGB 16 bit** format

### Third-party RAW converters

For instance **C1 (Capture One Pro)** combined with **Linear curve**, and **RPP (Raw Photo Processor)** with **Colorimetric Gamma** mode produces good results. You can also use any other RAW converter.

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- Correct the most severe deviations in exposure and white balance
- Use the Linear contrast curve if possible, avoiding clipping in shadows and highlights
- Disable noise reduction and sharpening
- Avoid any local contrast enhancement which might cause visible halos
- Export files in **sRGB TIFF 16 bit** format



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## Application path and user data location

Below you can find the main system paths of the installed application components and user data locations, which you may need when contacting support or maintaining the plug-in.

### Installation (macOS)

#### Adobe Photoshop and Affinity Photo plugin:

/Library/Application Support/Adobe/Plug-Ins/CC/Dehancer

#### Adobe Lightroom and Capture One plugin:

/Applications/Dehancer Lightroom Plugin/Dehancer Lightroom Plugin.app

### User Data (macOS)

#### Shared folder:

/Users/{user}/Library/Application Support/com.dehancer.film\_shared

#### User Presets folder:

/Users/{user}/Library/Application Support/com.dehancer.film\_shared/presets

#### Adobe Photoshop and Affinity Photo plugin log:

/Users/{user}/Library/Application Support/com.dehancer.film\_shared/  
dehancer\_logs/photoshop\_plugin.log

#### Adobe Lightroom and Capture One plugin log:

/Users/{user}/Library/Application Support/com.dehancer.film\_shared/  
dehancer\_logs/lightroom\_plugin.log

In macOS the user's **Library folder is hidden by default**.

You can access this folder in several ways:

1. Open **Finder**, click **Go** in the menu bar, and select **Go to Folder**. In the dialog box, type **~/Library** and click **Go**.
2. You can **unhide the Library folder permanently**. Open your **Home folder** (select your **username** in the **Finder** sidebar). Click **View** in the menu bar, and select **Show View Options**. Check the **Show Library Folder** checkbox.