

Editing images for Whiskybase

Beginning

Open a new document with transparent background . The size of the new document would be automatic generated by Photoshop (PS).

Paste the image into the new document (**Ctrl + V**).



I got this:

As you can see this images has a lot of editing to do. But this images is big enough and sharp, so let work on it.

First pull it straight: Use the Move tool  . Set the Transform controls selected

Show Transform Controls

The image has now a dashed line around with little scares in the corners. Pull such a little scare till the bottle stands straight.



I got this now: . After straighten the bottle, select another tool and PS would ask you to keep the image in his new form, click yes.

Now we are going to start to erase the background.

Use the Magic Wand Tool  and the Eraser  .

Click with the Magic Wand Tool somewhere on the background, a part of the background would be selected. Hopefully it doesn't take parts of the bottle, you'll need only the background:



In this example there is a little piece selected of the background, there is no selection of parts of the bottle. You can now delete the selected background with the Eraser or use (**Ctrl + X**). You can select multiple parts of the background on the same manner. Keep the Shift button pressed and select with the Magic Wand Tool parts of the background.

I got this now (The first part of the background is cut already):



That wasn't a big success. Big parts of the bottle are selected (like the label and parts of the bottom of the bottle). I can't cut now, otherwise half of my bottle is gone.

When accidentally made a mistake, use **Ctrl + Z** or look into the History of PS.

Now we can use the Eraser for erasing parts of the selected background. You can use an Eraser with 100px for big images.

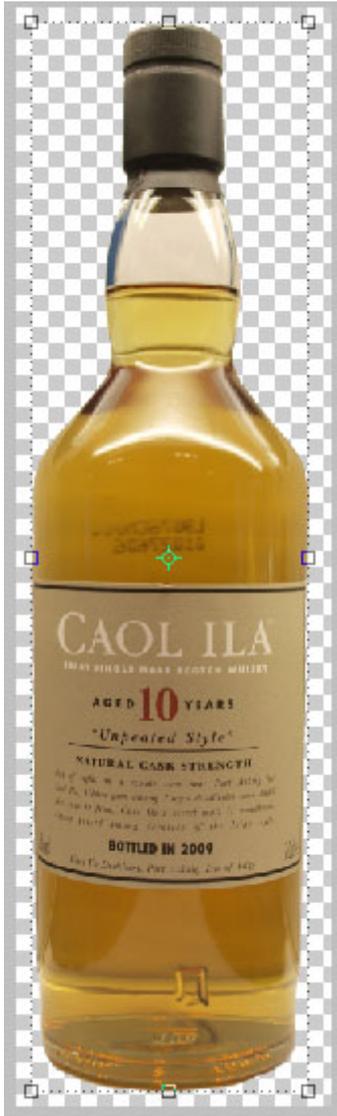


After some Eraser-work I got this : Because of the selection, you don't need to be exact with the eraser-work. Just pull it over the selected areas.

Now de-select the image by clicking with the Magic Wand Tool somewhere on the selected areas. The rest of the background we must erase without the selections.

Zoom in on the edge of the bottle : **Alt + mouse-scroll**.

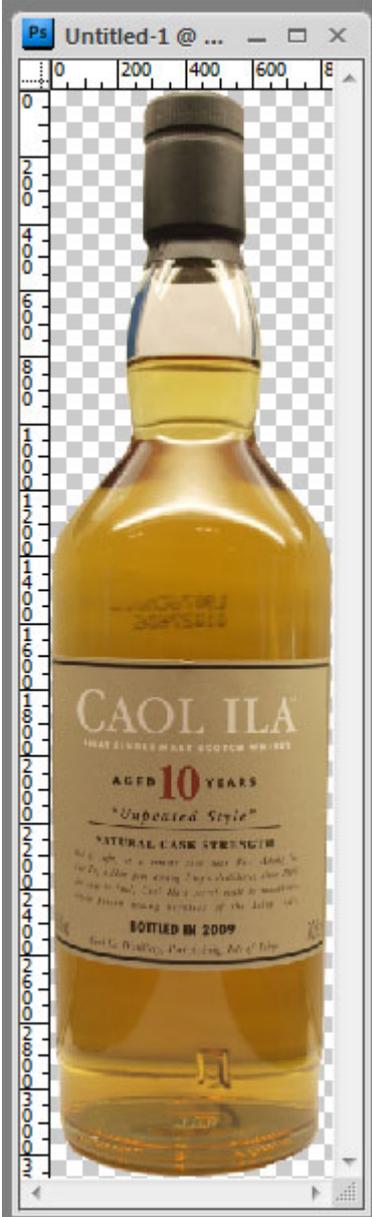
After Zoomed-in, erase all the background parts. After that, select the bottle with the Move Tool.



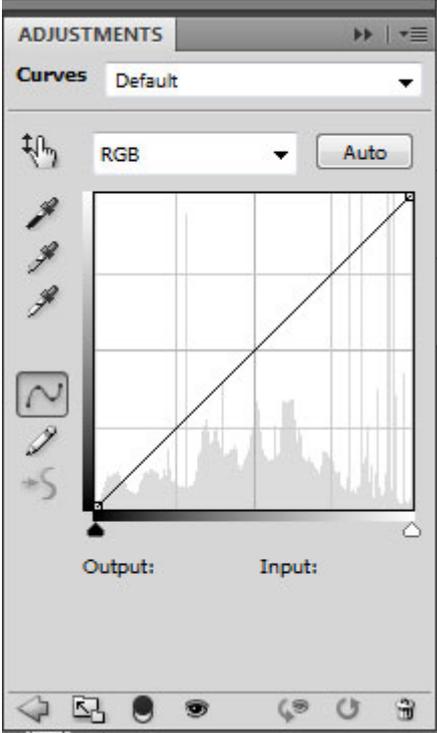
You can see the selected lines runs near the bottle, now you know you've done it right and there is no more background.

Now select the image (**Ctrl + A**) and Copy or Cut the bottle (**Ctrl + X** or **C**) into a new document (**Ctrl + N**). Paste the bottle into that new document.

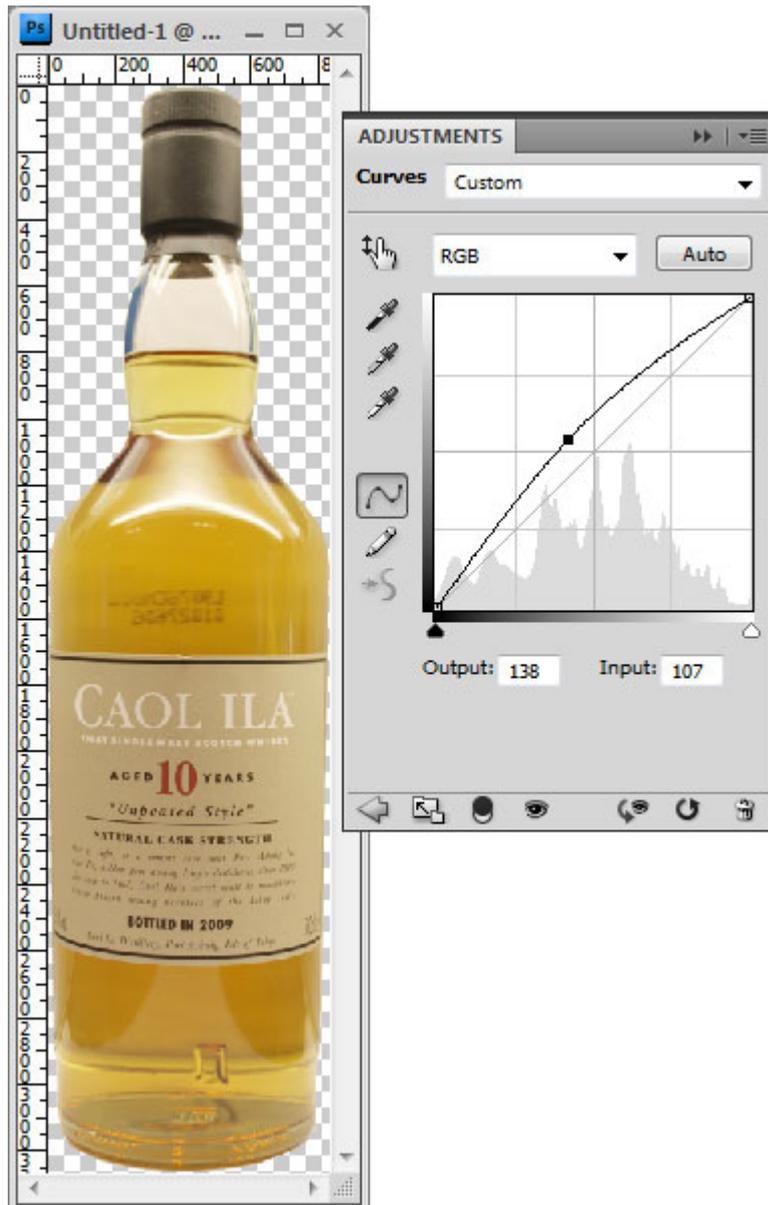
When done right, the edges of the bottle hits the borders of the image:



Now we're going to make the colors more beautiful. Use **Adjustment tool – Curves** :



Pull the diagonal line up and the image would be lighter, when pulling it down it would be darker. Just try it out.



My bottle now looks like this:

Now set the format of the image. Start with the height ! and set the height to 800px.

After that, set the width **CANVAS** to 400px. The top and the bottom of the bottle must hit the borders of the image, de right- and left side of the image not.

Now the image is finished and looks like this:



Image on 800px height and 400px width

The image is now finished and can be saved as **.png** . use the upload function on Whiskybase for uploading the image to the base.

Thanks for your help!

Greetz,

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