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Subject: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Sat, 15 Dec 2007 05:37:54 GMT  
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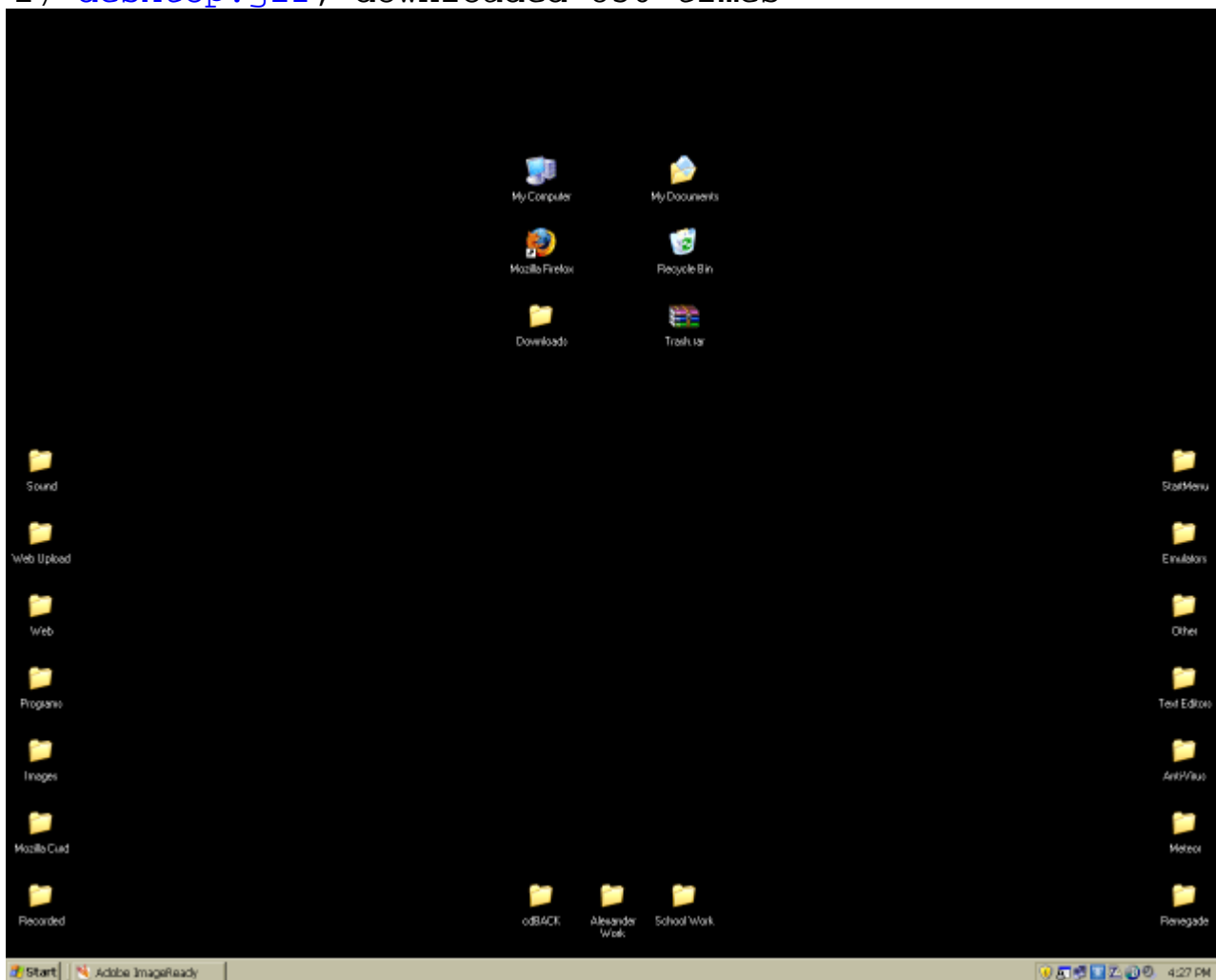
The minimalist look (Which isn't displayed here very well, due to abundance of icons). Also good as i can access everything without having to minimize a single window.

You may still think "OMG he still has tonnes (or tons) of icons all over his desktop" but i had a lot more to start with. In fact every icon on that toolbar was on it.

Anyone else use this method?

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [nikki6ixx](#) on Sat, 15 Dec 2007 09:20:19 GMT  
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Wow. That looks pretty cool. How'd you do that?

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [Xylaquin](#) on Sat, 15 Dec 2007 13:26:10 GMT  
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Unlock the taskbar  
Right click the taskbar and select Toolbars  
Create a new folder and use it  
On the taskbar, your selected folder will appear on the right next to the toolbar section. Drag it onto your desktop.  
Drag it to the side of the screen you want it to be attached to until it attaches itself.  
Now you can add icons into it.

It's completely grey however and is unaffected by your XP skin.

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [Caveman](#) on Sat, 15 Dec 2007 14:26:55 GMT  
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No... Just no.

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [Jecht](#) on Sat, 15 Dec 2007 16:56:07 GMT  
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Just make a new folder, give it a snazzy icon, and put all your ridiculously worthless shortcuts in there. Or...delete them all together. For instance, I have an applications folder for things i'm too lazy to: "click start->find program->click executable" for.

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [IronWarrior](#) on Sat, 15 Dec 2007 18:51:39 GMT  
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Same, few months ago, my desktop was full of icons, had no more room.

So I just dumped them all in a folder called Desktop on my Desktop.

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [Goztow](#) on Sat, 15 Dec 2007 20:03:31 GMT  
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Didn't use it before but i do now .

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Sat, 15 Dec 2007 22:55:08 GMT  
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Xylaquin wrote on Sun, 16 December 2007 00:26

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Actually i just dragged and dropped

And then set it to auto-hide.

I'm surprised no one said OMG ch3at3r! Ch3at 3ng1n3! as i have it listed there.

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Sun, 16 Dec 2007 00:32:35 GMT  
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Also I don't use the XP skins (they look ugly, especially IE7/why i now use FF).

I've noticed there's one option that was missed in the classic skin options in xp, the tree-view colour(which is used for other things in other programs, such as the search toolbar for firefox)

(the green)

How could I change this to something other than the preset ones?

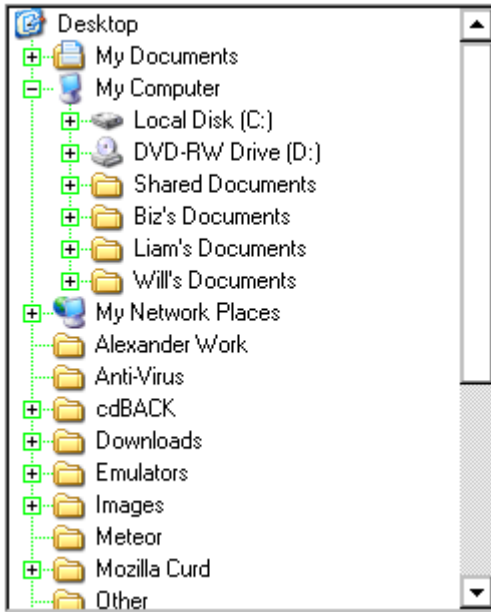
Registry?

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File Attachments

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1) [treeviewcolour.gif](#), downloaded 606 times



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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [R315r4z0r](#) on Sun, 16 Dec 2007 00:36:34 GMT  
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I use something that looks better. Object Dock.

Both that bar on the top of the screen and the "draw" on the right side.

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Sun, 16 Dec 2007 00:43:36 GMT  
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ViStA?

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [PsuFan](#) on Sun, 16 Dec 2007 01:52:18 GMT  
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Hey, wtf you make that gif in?

how you get the toolbar too hide and show like that?

Edit: oh did you just make a gif of 2 screen shots?

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Sun, 16 Dec 2007 02:16:03 GMT  
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Yes, two screen shots. No hotkey to make it appear/disappear.  
Image ready to compile it into a animated gif

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [PsuFan](#) on Sun, 16 Dec 2007 02:17:25 GMT  
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yeah i thought it was a video gif. Those are pretty neat.

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Sun, 16 Dec 2007 06:02:08 GMT  
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Gotta love mono-spaced (<pre></pre>) courier fonts!

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Sun, 16 Dec 2007 06:08:46 GMT

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [Beanyhead](#) on Sun, 16 Dec 2007 06:55:46 GMT  
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That would get on my nerves massively. Oh, and uh spam?

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [R315r4z0r](#) on Sun, 16 Dec 2007 18:07:18 GMT  
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Dthdealer wrote on Sat, 15 December 2007 19:43ViStA?  
If that was directed to me: than no, I don't use Vista, it is XP.

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Subject: Re: Toolbars instead of desktop icons  
Posted by [light](#) on Sun, 16 Dec 2007 22:55:55 GMT  
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If I had a need for something like that I would use Launchy, but despite having it I never really use it.

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