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Subject: I can't edit my background!

Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Tue, 08 Jan 2008 10:52:26 GMT

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This is strange.

I think I might have edited something I shouldn't have in FreshUI.

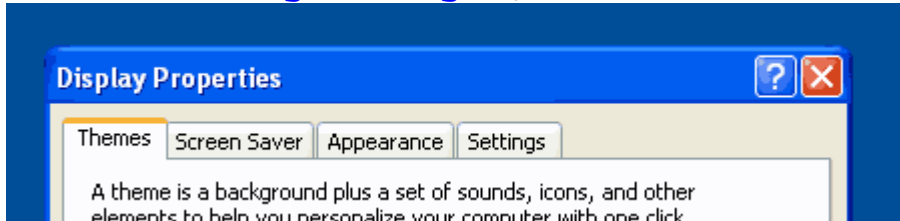
This image is not edited other than cropping and reducing the colours to 20.

EDIT: XP sp2

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## File Attachments

1) [wherebackground.gif](#), downloaded 653 times



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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!

Posted by [danpaul88](#) on Tue, 08 Jan 2008 11:40:34 GMT

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Well, from that informative image I can tell you that you have a blue desktop background and are looking at Display Properties. Other than that I can't tell you anything because I am not psychic and cannot guess what settings you have applied.

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!

Posted by [AoBfrost](#) on Tue, 08 Jan 2008 14:37:54 GMT

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I'd just system restore it if you can, I don't know what FreshUI is, but if you want to change your wallpaper now, you might want to just go to Google, find a pic, save it somewhere, and right-click > set as wallpaper.

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!

Posted by [Zion](#) on Tue, 08 Jan 2008 15:26:30 GMT

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Something has happened.

Either you have edited a UI .dll file too much or removed the part that processes backgrounds, or, you have a virus which has turned it blue, and disabled the "Desktop" tab in the display properties

window as you shown.

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!

Posted by [light](#) on Tue, 08 Jan 2008 21:47:06 GMT

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Can't you right-click on an image and select "Set as Desktop Background".

As for your missing tab, no idea.

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!

Posted by [Lone0001](#) on Wed, 09 Jan 2008 02:12:16 GMT

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I would suggest trying what AoBfrost said > "I'd just system restore if you could"

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!

Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Wed, 09 Jan 2008 04:06:13 GMT

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I hope i've set restore to auto.

I changed it to XP thinking that would fix it, hence the blue background and XP bar across the top. If you have seen any of the images I've posted on this site (or renhelp) you may have noticed I've never had it set as XP.

Working on the SR now.

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!

Posted by [Ethenal](#) on Wed, 09 Jan 2008 04:09:27 GMT

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You haven't touched UXTheme.dll have you? A lot of third-party themes for Windows XP require you to replace the stock library with a custom one, which can sometimes result in corruption. Just a thought though, it more than likely isn't the case.

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!

Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Wed, 09 Jan 2008 04:14:24 GMT

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Can you upload yours, just incase.

Restored to 2 days ago. Anything before that was behind a lot of installed crud that I don't want to go through again.

Still won't appear.

Stupid Automatic updates is throwing me the restart later/now window. Love to turn it off but I'd always forget to update.

EDIT: I think I know what it is. I edited ntoskrnl.exe in windows/syteam32 attempting to change the boot screen. It didn't work (probably because its now corrupted). I save the original in two places, so I'll go into safe mode, change it back and see if it works.

EDIT2: Darn, still won't work.

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!

Posted by [Ethenal](#) on Wed, 09 Jan 2008 04:50:59 GMT

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Ask someone else or Google it, I'm on a Mac.

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!

Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Thu, 10 Jan 2008 09:05:39 GMT

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Ethenal wrote on Wed, 09 January 2008 15:50 "I'm on a Mac."

"And I'm a PC"

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!

Posted by [WNxCABAL](#) on Thu, 10 Jan 2008 09:22:52 GMT

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There's a group policy which handles that sorta stuff, will see if I can find it

Edit: go to (Registry):

HKEY\_CURRENT\_USER/Software/Microsoft/CurrentVersion/Policies

Is NoDispBackgroundPage in there? Make sure the value is 0

If that doesn't work, give this a go:

[http://www.theeldergeek.com/desktop\\_tab\\_missing\\_from\\_display.htm](http://www.theeldergeek.com/desktop_tab_missing_from_display.htm)

Regards,  
Andy

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!  
Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Thu, 10 Jan 2008 09:41:37 GMT  
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Lol I found that exact method just now.  
[http://www.kellys-korner-xp.com/xp\\_b.htm](http://www.kellys-korner-xp.com/xp_b.htm)  
Will check your second link, as this method did not work.

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!  
Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Thu, 10 Jan 2008 09:45:32 GMT  
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I actually tried that before I posted here, it didn't work (as it was already set at what it needed to be).  
But I read the description (when in the window to change its enabling, there is an extra tab) just now, and it informed me that setting this to Disabled should work. And it did! Thank you!  
It also fixed up the ability to show common tasks (But I never use that setting) Sorry for posting the image of it in the wrong thread.

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!  
Posted by [WNxCABAL](#) on Thu, 10 Jan 2008 09:48:03 GMT  
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gdgd!  
I don't work in IT Support for no reason you know

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!  
Posted by [The Elite Officer](#) on Thu, 10 Jan 2008 17:30:55 GMT  
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In order to reaplpy the desktop features you can open it in paint and then select "Set as Background" to add a new theme you have to find the theme and use the .msstyles file to restor it.

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!  
Posted by [Veyrdite](#) on Thu, 10 Jan 2008 22:00:01 GMT  
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WNxCABAL wrote on Thu, 10 January 2008 20:48gdgd!  
I don't work in IT Support for no reason you know  
Does that mean I now have to pay you...ah crud.

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Subject: Re: I can't edit my background!  
Posted by [WNxCABAL](#) on Fri, 11 Jan 2008 00:21:24 GMT  
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Up to you!

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