

# Useful Windows tricks - go full screen

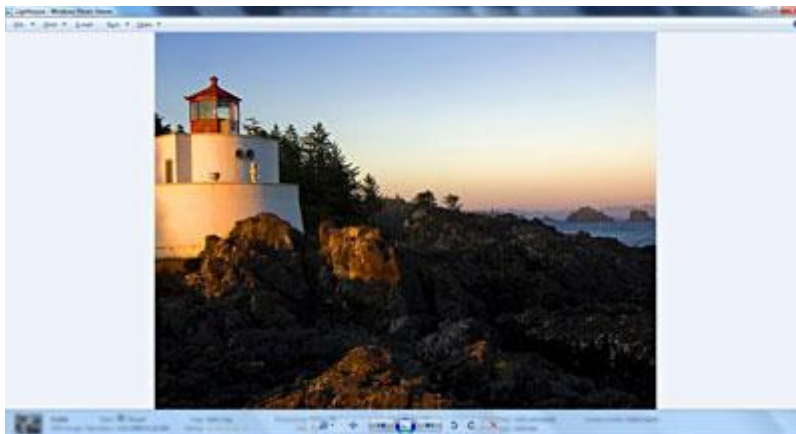
## 1. Don't just maximize your windows—go full screen

When you need a really big window for viewing photos and videos, don't just maximize it: go full screen! This tip works great for viewing photos and videos at maximum size in Windows Explorer or Windows Media Player, utilizing screen space usually occupied by the header at the top of the screen and the taskbar at the bottom. Here's how:

Open any photo in Windows Explorer, or open a photo or video clip in Windows Media Player. Do one of the following:

- In Windows 7 and Windows XP, click the **F11** key at the top of your keyboard.

The photo or video image enlarges to its maximum size and the title bar and taskbar are hidden.



*Viewing a photo in Windows Explorer standard view*

To undue full-screen mode and restore the window to its normal view, press the **Esc** (Escape) key at the top of your keyboard

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