

Zoom Green Screen

How do I get a "green screen" so I can change my background for a zoom meeting?

Amazon is the best place to get it quick. While you could go with something like this:

https://smile.amazon.com/Yesker-Photography-Chroma-key-Backdrop-Background/dp/B08BYSHXVJ/ref=sr_1_8?crid=1ZA7EQ1X5XIS6&dchild=1&keywords=green+screen&qid=1614885853&srefix=green+scr%2Caps%2C620&sr=8-8

You will need a stand to hold it up, or you will need to affix it to something to hold up. This one comes with a stand:

https://smile.amazon.com/Heysliy-Backdrop-Portable-Chroma-key-Streaming/dp/B08SWFPDWX/ref=sr_1_5?crid=255QLRC019ZXL&dchild=1&keywords=green+screen+backdrop+with+stand&qid=1614885986&srefix=green+screen+%2Caps%2C225&sr=8-5

Alternatively, check to see if your computer/camera are fast enough to go without a green screen. Zoom will either tell you that you cannot do it, or it will make you appear like a Harry Potter painting, moving around but not really there.

Now, if you get a smaller green screen (5x7) you will need it fairly close to you, otherwise people will be able to see around it. You may want to opt for a much larger version, but it will also cost more.

Frank Kautz, Massachusetts

We ultimately bought a green screen that we hung from the ceiling. Much better than the ones that comes with a frame.

Robert "Robby" W. Hughes, Jr., Georgia

I wish we were a bit closer. I picked up a green screen in the summer, for when I was at home... but when my laptop let out a few last gasps in December, I replaced it with a faster machine and no longer need the green screen.

On the off-chance you're going to be north of Boston, email me off-list...

bc you can pick up the one I have, for a song.

Laurie Axinn Gienapp, Massachusetts

For Zoom, you really don't need a green "green screen" just about any solid color will do provided that it is light well (no shadows) and your computer and camera will support it. I've successfully used: a blue king-sized sheet hanging from the ceiling, a white board, and an old projector screen as "green screens." One word of caution, do not wear clothing that is the same color as or, in the case of stripes, plaids, and checks, contains the same color as your green screen; this is the quickest way to appear as a disembodied head.

Bruce Cameron

Unless disembodied head is the look you're going for!

Laurie Axinn Gienapp

What about having someone design a background?

Any vendors out there?

Roger Rosen, California

Zoom lets you use virtual backgrounds, with no green screen needed. Have you tried that?

I tend to put myself on a nice beach, and people always comment!

Scott I. Barer, California

A green screen may still be required with the lastest version of Zoom that I have

Patricia Bloom-McDonald, Massachusetts

Amazon. A company makes one that attaches to the back of your chair. Works well and easier to manage than a large screen.

Phil A. Taylor, Massachusetts
