Understanding the New Adobe Photography Plans

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The Major Changes

Lightroom CC renamed Lightroom Classic CC

Major update to Classic released (See What's New presentation for details)

Major update to Photoshop CC released (To be covered next month)

New version of Lightroom CC released

Major update to Lightroom Mobile released and name changed to Lightroom CC App

Subscription plans and what's included have changed

Two Versions of Lightroom?? Lets Start with LR Classic

All LR features and editing tools; retains Module interface (Library, Develop, etc)

Focused on HDD based storage

File structure set by user

Syncs smart previews with LRCC App

Syncs only selected Collections

Collections used as before

The Second Version - Lightroom CC

New simplified interface; similar to mobile app; NO Modules

Focused on Cloud based workflow

Syncs full resolution photos across all devices

Syncs EVERYTHING

NO Folders; Date based structure only

Albums replace Collections

No Map Module - links to Google Maps

NO Panorama, NO HDR, NO Range Masking, NO Printing

New Plans Available from Adobe

Lightroom CC Plan - includes LR CC and 1 TB cloud storage (\$9.99); NO Photoshop

Photography Plan - includes LR Classic CC, LR CC, Photoshop CC and 10 GB cloud storage (\$9.99)

Photography Plan 1 TB - includes LR Classic CC, LR CC, Photoshop CC and 1 TB cloud storage (\$19.99)

Extra storage is \$9.99 per TB monthly

The Bottom Line

Choose the Lightroom version that makes the most sense for your workflow

DON'T use both Lightroom versions on your desktop/laptop!

Choose the plan that includes the tools you plan to use - Remember - if you want Photoshop CC you will need to select one of the Photography Plans (not included in the LR CC Plan)

What's New in Lightroom Classic CC

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The October Changes

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Performance and stability enhancements "under the hood"

Color and luminance range masking for "selections"

Better performance using embedded previews

Improved auto-masking for adjustment brush

Smart Collections: New filter criteria - Title and Lens Profile (*exist* or *not*)

Export Dialog: New metadata choice - All Except RAW Info

Import Dialog: New sort criteria - file type

Better handling of multiple batches of merge operations (HDR/Pano)

Yellow text: demo later

The December Changes

Auto button in Develop-Basic Segment - improved automatic slider settings for Exposure, Contrast, Highlights, Shadows, Whites, Blacks, Saturation, and Vibrance (using "machine learning")

Color Range Masking - Ability to remove individual sample points (option-click)

Support for new cameras and lenses, including tethered capture support for **Nikon D850**

Demonstration

Luminance Range Masking

Color Range Masking

Improved Auto Masking

Bottom Line

Range masking looks promising as a powerful enhancement to local adjustments (radial, gradient, brush)

Auto masking seems to work better

"Auto" develop may be more useful (as a starting point) than previous version

You should notice performance improvements

Post Processing News Update

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MacPhun

Now available for both Mac and PC

Changing name to Skylum

Products include:

Aurora HDR - \$79

Luminar - professional photo editor - \$69

DxO

Acquired Nik Collection and its U-Point technology from Google late 2017

Incorporated U-Point technology into their editing software - now called DxO Photo Lab - \$129-199

Working on a new release of Nik Collection around mid year - No word yet on price

Nik Collection can still be downloaded for free for now

ON₁

ON1 Photo Raw 2018 now available - full editing suite like LR/PS; Can be used as plugin or stand alone; Advertised as a choice to switch from LR

Upgrade \$80; Full license \$100; ON1 Plus Pro (perpetual license) \$130/year

ON1 Effects 10.5 still available as free download - similar to Nik Color Efex/Silver Efex