

# Organize Your Photos Using exiftool

## Find all photos without date information

```
$ exiftool -filename -filemodifydate -createdate -r -if '(not $datetimeoriginal) and $filetype eq "JPEG"' .
```

## Set last created and modified to a specific date

```
$ find . -name \"*.jpg\" | while read filename;  
exiftool \"-AllDates=1986:11:05 12:00:00\" \"$filename\";  
done
```

Copy of the originals will be created.

Remove `*.jpg_original` if everything went fine or add `-overwrite_original` parameter.

## Timeshift

### by one year

```
$ exiftool \"-AllDates+=1:0:0 00:00:00\" .
```

## Rename your files to contain the date and time

they will be suffixed with -N if they have the same date and time

```
$ exiftool '-FileName<DateTimeOriginal' -d \"%Y%m%d_%H%M%S%-c.%%e\" *.jpg  
  
$ exiftool '-FileName<DateTimeOriginal' -d \"%Y-%m-%d %H%M%S%-c.%%e\" *.jpg
```

## Copy your photos in a folder structure organised by datetime

```
exiftool '-Directory<CreateDate' -d ~/Dropbox/Photos/%Y/%y%m -r .
```

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