

## Exporting Canva Files for Printing:

**Designing in Canva? Here's how to ensure your files are print-ready for high-quality results with Beeline and Blue.**

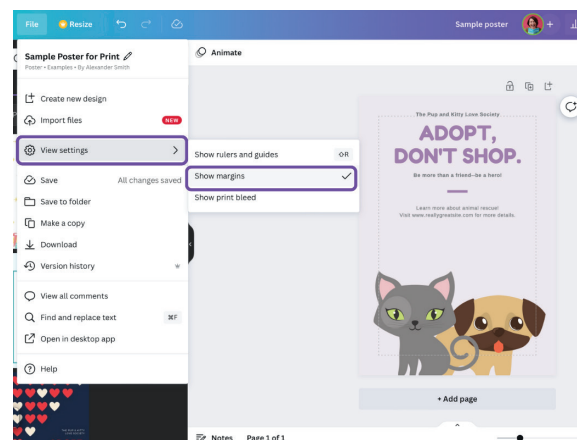
### 1. Enable Bleed in Your Design

To prevent unwanted white borders after trimming, extend background colors and images beyond the document's edge:

**Show Bleed Area:** In Canva, go to File > View settings > Show print bleed. This displays a dotted line indicating the bleed area.

**Extend Elements:** Ensure all background colors and images extend to the edge of the bleed area. This guarantees that your design covers the entire page after trimming.

**Note:** Canva's bleed area is fixed at 0.125 inches (1/8") and cannot be adjusted.



### 2. Add Crop Marks and Bleed When Exporting

Crop marks guide the trimming process, and including bleed ensures edge-to-edge printing:

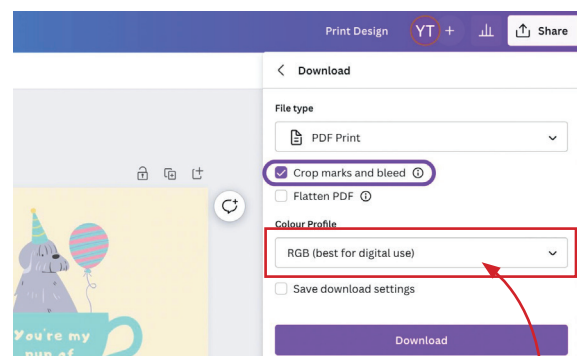
**Download Your Design:** Click the Share button in the top-right corner, then select Download.

**File Type:** Choose PDF Print for the highest quality.

#### Check Options:

- ☒ Crop marks and bleed
- ☒ Flatten PDF (optional, to embed fonts and images)

**Download:** Click the Download button to save your print-ready PDF.



**Pro Tip:** CMYK is available in Canva's premium version and can be used to more accurately render process color.

But if bright colors are being used, leave the setting as RGB.

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## 3. Use High-Resolution Images

For crisp, professional prints, ensure all images are at least 300 dpi.

Avoid using low-resolution images, as they may appear pixelated when printed.

**Pro Tip:** Work with 300dpi resolution images whenever possible. Simply converting a 72 dpi image to 300 dpi does not change the image quality and can make it appear more blurry.

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## 4. Choose the Right Color Profile

Canva designs are created in RGB color mode, which is suitable for digital displays. For printing:

**Color Mode:** While Canva doesn't currently support CMYK exports, we recommend designing with print in mind. Beeline and Blue can convert your files to CMYK during the pre-press process to ensure accurate color reproduction

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## 5. Save as Single Pages

If your design spans multiple pages, save your PDF as single pages, not spreads. This ensures correct sequencing and alignment during printing.

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## 6. Review Your Final PDF

**Before submitting:** Open your PDF to confirm that bleed areas and crop marks are present.

**Verify Content:** Ensure all text and images are correctly placed and nothing is missing or mis-aligned.

**Pro Tip:** To streamline the printing process, and help keep projects organized, use descriptive file names, such as: YourCompanyNameBrochure\_Interior.pdf

## NEED ASSISTANCE?

We're here to help! If you have questions or would like us to review your files before printing, don't hesitate to reach out. Our team is committed to ensuring your project turns out perfectly