

Maximize or Minimize the Ribbon in File Explorer

By default, the Ribbon is minimized in File Explorer. If you find it useful and you want to have it available at all times, you may want to maximize it.

Here's how to maximize and minimize the Ribbon in File Explorer:

- 1) Open File Explorer (Windows + E).
- 2) Click on any folder in the left column.
- 3) Double-click on the Home tab on the Ribbon. This action will maximize the ribbon.
- 4) Close File Explorer.
- 5) When you reopen File Explorer, the ribbon will be maximized.
- 6) To minimize the Ribbon, open File Explorer again. Double-click the Home tab on the Ribbon. The File Explorer window now minimizes the Ribbon.
- 7) Close File Explorer.
- 8) File Explorer remembers whether the Ribbon was minimized or maximized the last time you closed it and will open it that way the next time you open File Explorer.

A right-click alternative:

Right-click on a blank space on the Menu bar (File, Home, Share, View) at the top of the File Explorer window. There you can check or uncheck *minimize the ribbon*.