

Google Advanced Search

While it is good to know how to make the best use of the basic Google search and the use of wildcards etc, this can get a bit complicated. Using Advanced search can do most of this for you, making it easier to do more complex searches and get better results.

To find the “advanced search” facility. Simply Search Google for “advanced search”

You should see the following pages:

Advanced Search

Find pages with...

all these words:

this exact word or phrase:

any of these words:

none of these words:

numbers ranging from: to

To do this in the search box.

Type the important words: `tri-colour rat terrier`

Put exact words in quotes: `"cat terrier"`

Type OR between all the words you want: `miniature OR standard`

Put a minus sign just before words that you don't want: `-rodent, -"Jack Russell"`

Put two full stops between the numbers and add a unit of measurement: `10..35 kg, £300..£500, 2010..2011`

Then narrow your results by...

language: Find pages in the language that you select.

region: Find pages published in a particular region.

last update: Find pages updated within the time that you specify.

site or domain: Search one site (like `wikipedia.org`) or limit your results to a domain like `.edu`, `.org` or `.gov`

terms appearing: Search for terms in the whole page, page title or web address, or links to the page you're looking for.

SafeSearch: Tell SafeSearch whether to filter sexually explicit content.

file type: Find pages in the format that you prefer.

usage rights: Find pages that you are free to use yourself.

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Advanced search allows you to easily narrow down your search and is a great help with the more complicated information searches. It easily facilitates:

- Phrase searching
- Boolean type searches (and, or not)
- Narrow your search by date etc

Have a look for yourselves:

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