

Guidelines for Using YouDesign Photo Books with Cahoots

Getting Started . . .

2 Always use this menu to open the template file (don't double click the template)

1 Always download a fresh template from cahootsphotos.com.au for the product you wish to design. (Every product is different, and specs may change from time to time.)

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These dimensions are pre-filled according to the product template you downloaded. (Please don't edit them unless instructed by Cahoots.) If you are designing a product that offers a non-printed fabric cover, uncheck the "Cover" checkbox.

The screenshot shows the YouDesign Photo Book Pro 6.1.14 interface. The top menu bar includes 'Menu', 'Project', 'Elements', 'Backgrounds', 'Layouts', 'Effects', 'Text styles', and 'Output'. The left sidebar contains icons for these categories. The main workspace is divided into three sections: 'Custom format', 'Content', and 'Template'. The 'Custom format' section is highlighted with a red box and contains the following data:

Property	Value
Data format	67.2 cm x 25.6 cm
Final format	63.2 cm x 21.6 cm
Bleed	2 cm
Spine	1 cm

The 'Content' section is also highlighted with a red box and contains the following data:

Property	Value
Data format	29.5 cm x 21.6 cm
Final format	28.9 cm x 21 cm
Bleed	0.3 cm
Page count	18 pages

The 'Template' section shows a preview of a photo book cover with the text 'Empty, double pages'. A red warning triangle with an exclamation mark is placed over the 'Cover' checkbox, with the text: 'Adding extra single pages may cause unintended consequences for your design so don't use this!'. The main workspace shows a grid layout with a central area labeled '4' and a warning message: 'You are using generic photo book software. To avoid unintended consequences when designing a Cahoots photo book please refer to the README file included with this template download.' The bottom of the workspace shows a page spread with 'BACK COVER' and 'FRONT COVER' labels, and a 'Single facing page' label. The bottom right corner shows a page spread with 'Cover', '1', '2', '3', '4', and '5' labels. A red circle highlights the 'Add page' icon in the bottom left corner, with the text: '5 Use only this icon for adding pages. Use it to add new double page spreads, and move them anywhere between first (facing) page and last (single) page.'

See over for ordering instructions . . .

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Create a printable file from your project. To check and preview your project you can create files in a lower resolution. Take the result to a print shop or send it by email.

Preset_: Custom

Format: PDF Resolution: 300 dpi

Quality: 95

Output color profile: sRGB

Output options

- Apply output color profile
- Split double pages
- Output with bleed
- Output with crop marks ~~X~~ No crop marks
- Output with watermark

Watermark image

Output file name

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- Output cover in a separate file ~~X~~ Keep cover and pages in a single file

Start output

Click on Output options to show them

When you are ready to have your book printed:

- 1 Generate your "print ready" PDF using the options shown on the adjacent Output panel. Make sure to note (or change) where the output file(s) are saved.
- 2 Make a note of the page count. (Hint: scroll to the right the page thumbnails in YouDesign and check the number below the last page.) It should always be an even number. For A4 and 21cm square books, it should also be a multiple of 4.)
- 3 Make a note of the product. See the grey text below the cover that denotes the product you have designed.
- 4 Visit cahootsphotos.com.au/youdesign and fill out the order form to calculate the price and proceed to the checkout for payment. We'll then send instructions for uploading your PDF file(s).
- 5 Optionally, use the menu to save as archive to preserve a fully self contained YouDesign file, with all included images copied into the .ydbook file.

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