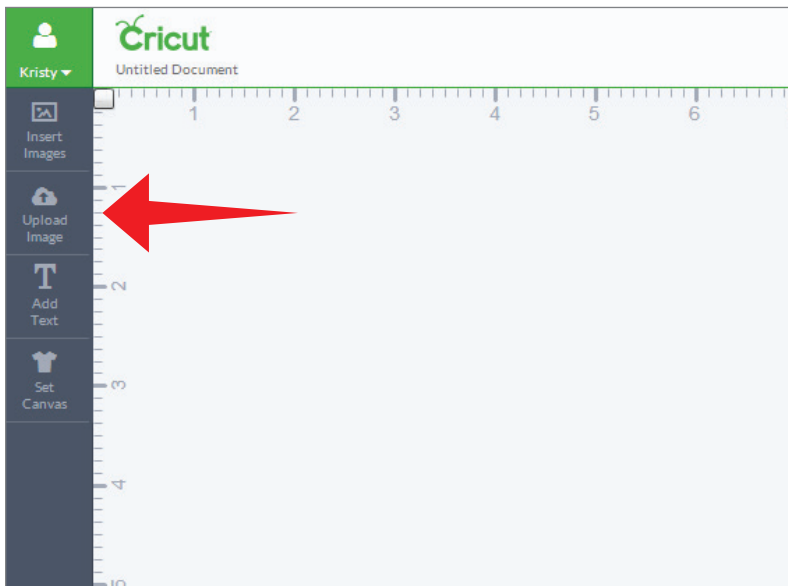


Cutting Your Own Images

Cricut Design Space™ gives you the ability to cut what you want by uploading and converting most .jpg, .bmp, .png, .gif, .svg and .dxf images into cuttable shapes for free. There are two different types of uploads: Basic and Vector. Basic uploads are for raster files which are composed of pixels. Unwanted pixels or unwanted parts of the image must be removed so Cricut Design Space™ can tell Cricut Explore® where it should cut or draw. Vector uploads are for files which are composed of paths or lines. Cricut Design Space™ converts these paths to tell the Cricut Explore® machine where it will cut or draw.

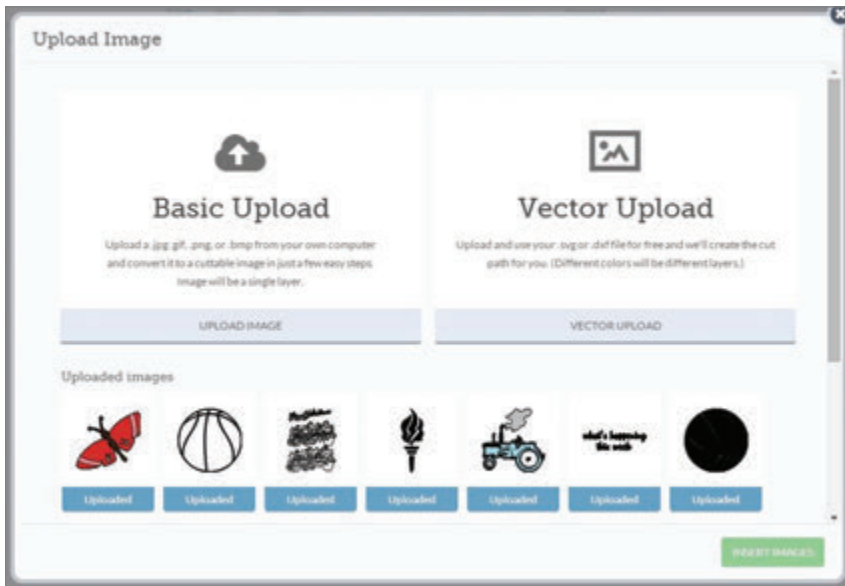
Basic Upload (.jpg, .gif, .png, or .bmp files)

Step 1 To begin a basic upload, click “Upload Image” on the left side of the design screen.

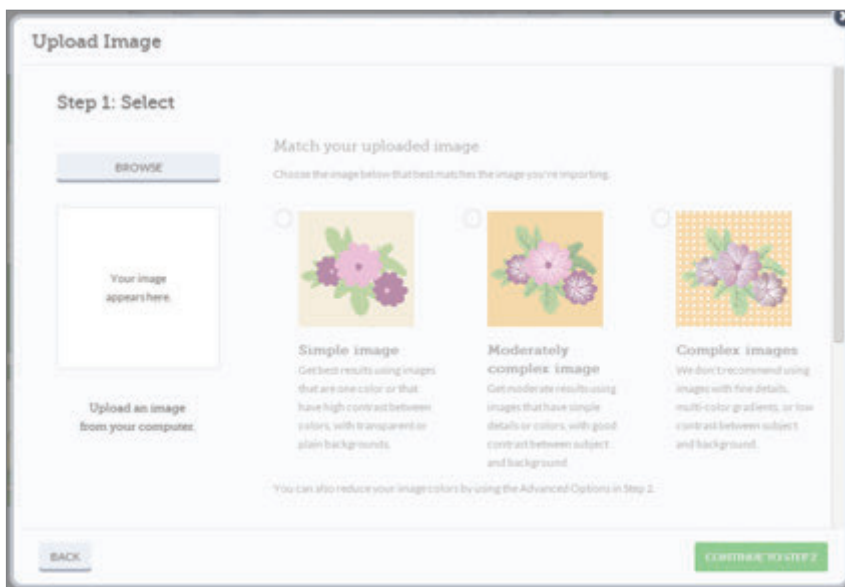


Cutting Your Own Images (cont.)

Step 2 A window will open which prompts you to choose your image file type. Choose “Basic Upload” to work with .jpg, .gif, .png or .bmp image files.

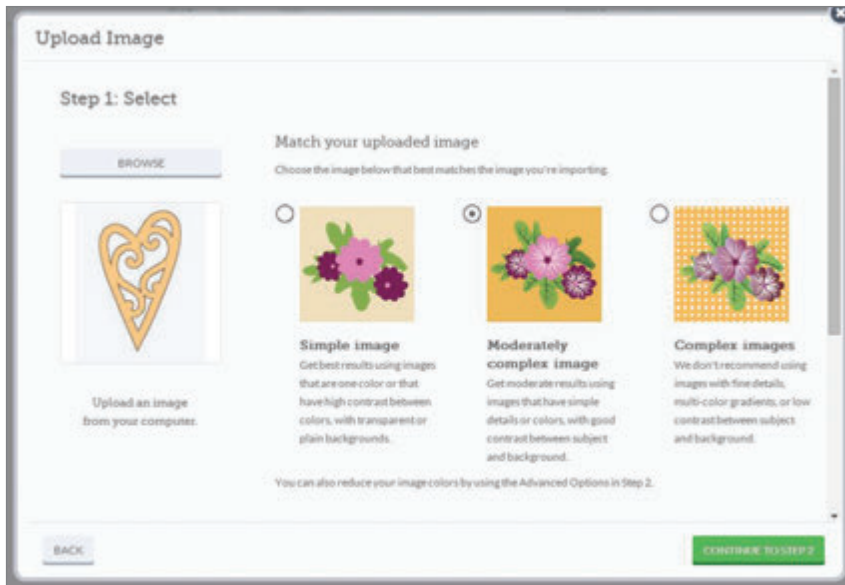


Step 3 Click “Browse” to find the image you want to use from your computer. The file selector will open.

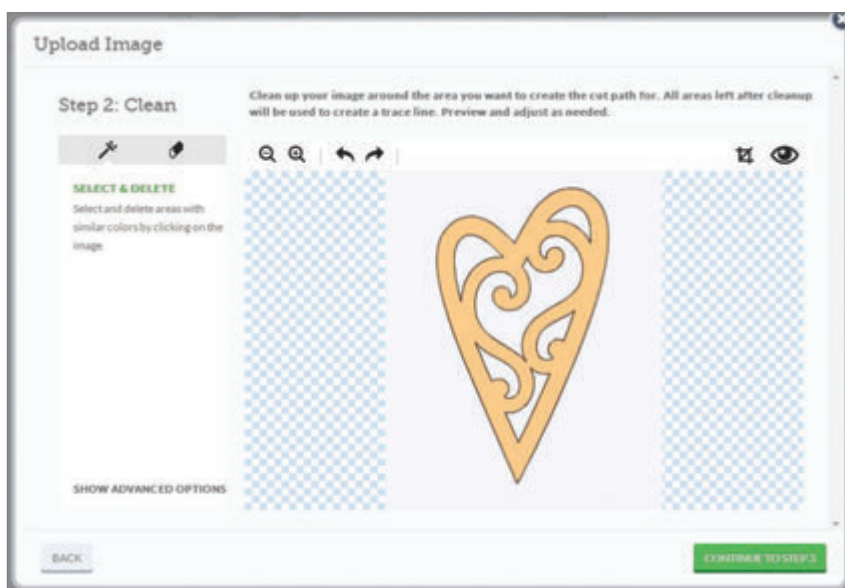


Cutting Your Own Images (cont.)

Step 4 Choose if your image is basic, moderately complex, or complex based on the descriptions found on the screen. Matching up the image that most closely aligns with your imported image will help you better create the cut line. Click “Continue to step 2.”



Step 5 Use the Crop, Select and Delete, and Eraser tools to remove any portions of the image that you don't want to cut. The checkerboard background indicates areas which have been removed and will not cut.



Cutting Your Own Images (cont.)

Several tools help you clean up your image by deleting unwanted areas.



Crop will delete all areas that are not selected when you drag the box over your image.



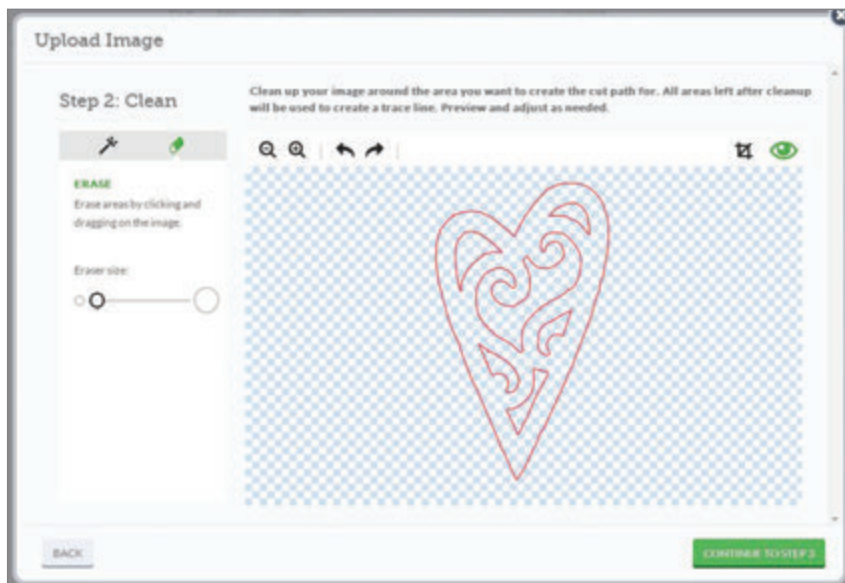
Select and Delete will erase areas with similar colors when you click on them.



Erase will delete areas by clicking and dragging the circle over the image.

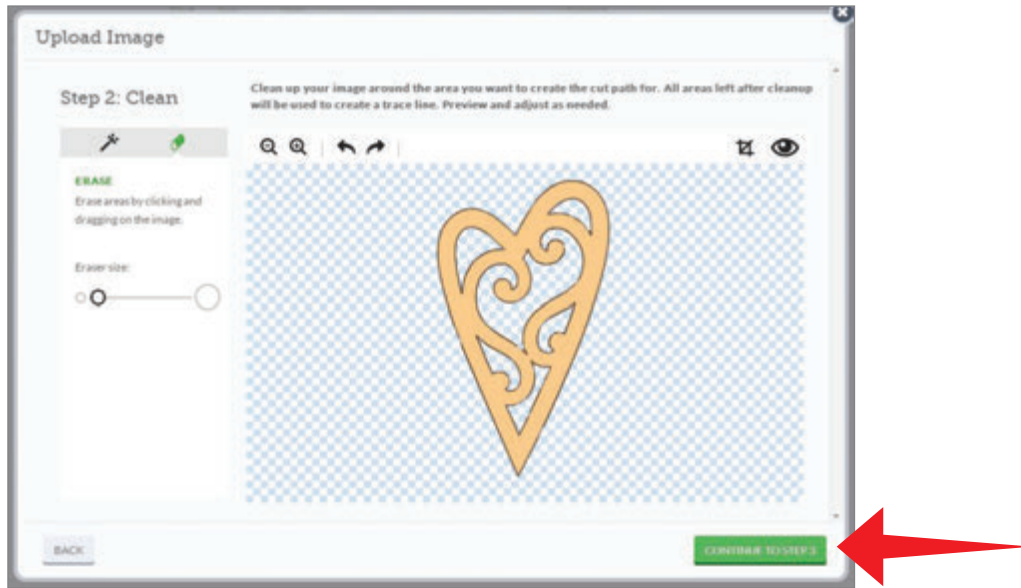


Preview will show you the cut lines in red which have been created. If the image does not appear as desired, continue to remove portions of the image until you are satisfied with the preview.

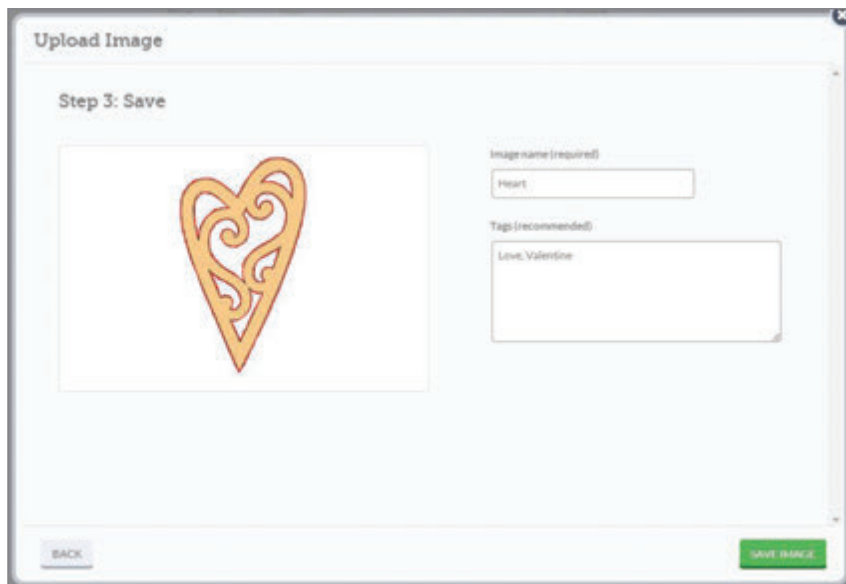


Cutting Your Own Images (cont.)

Step 6 Once the image is cleaned and meets your expectations, click “Continue to step 3.”

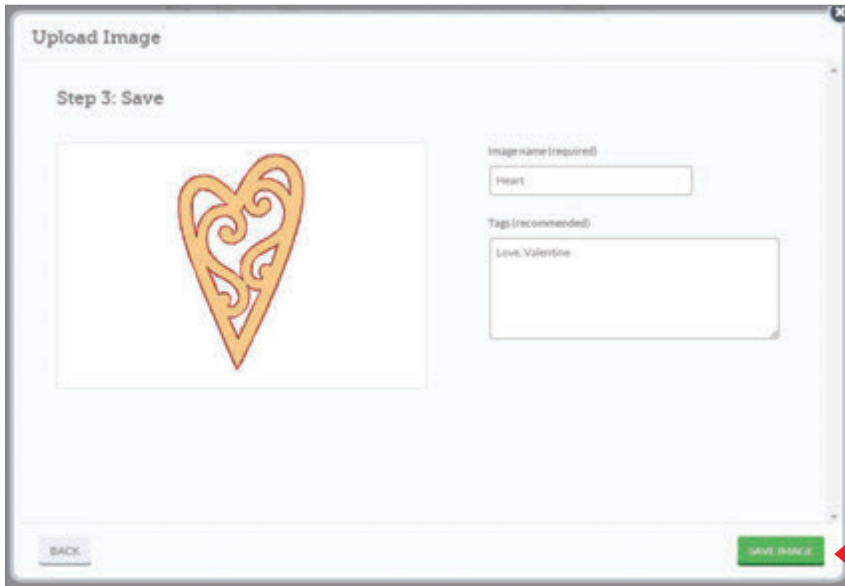


Step 7 Name your image and tag it (if desired) for easy searching.



Cutting Your Own Images (cont.)

Step 8 To continue, click “Save image.”



Step 9 You will return to the Upload Image window. To add the image to your canvas, click on your image and a green check will appear indicating it is selected. Click “Insert Image” to add to your canvas.

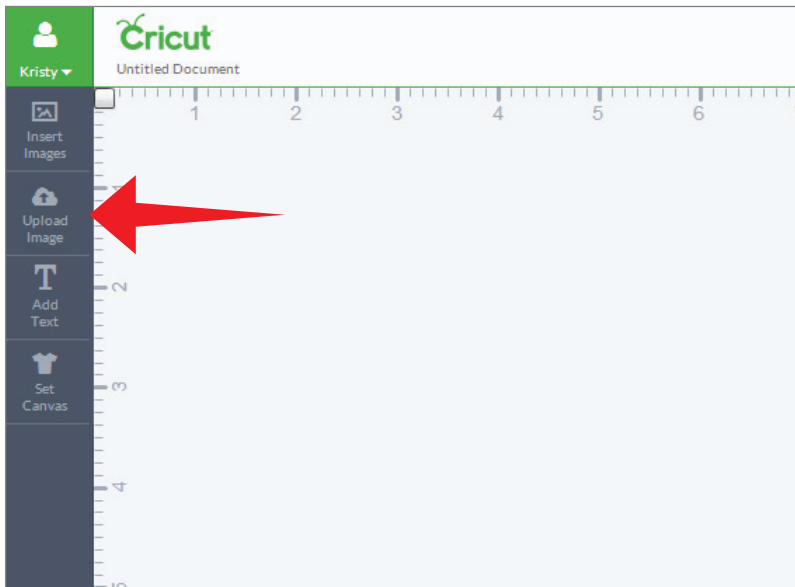


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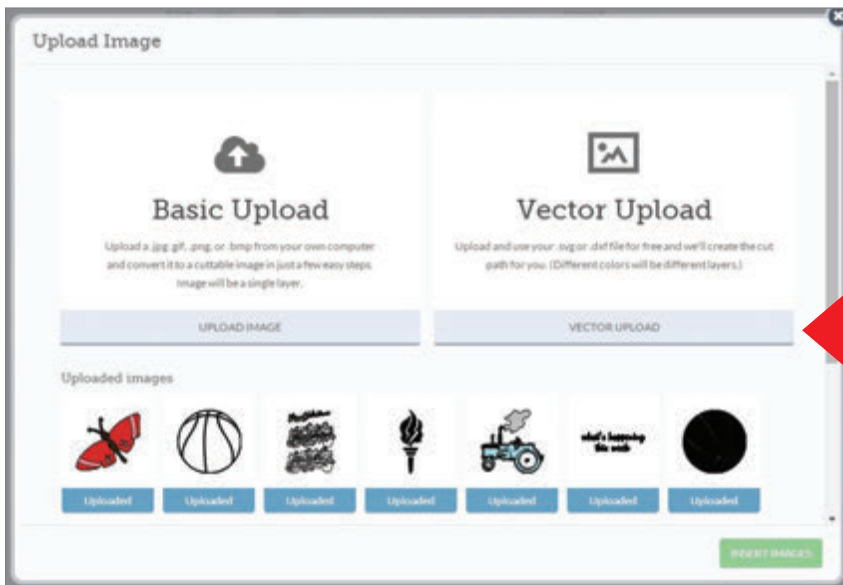
Cutting Your Own Images (cont.)

Vector Upload (.svg or .dxf files)

Step 1 To begin a vector upload, click “Upload Image” on the left side of the design screen.

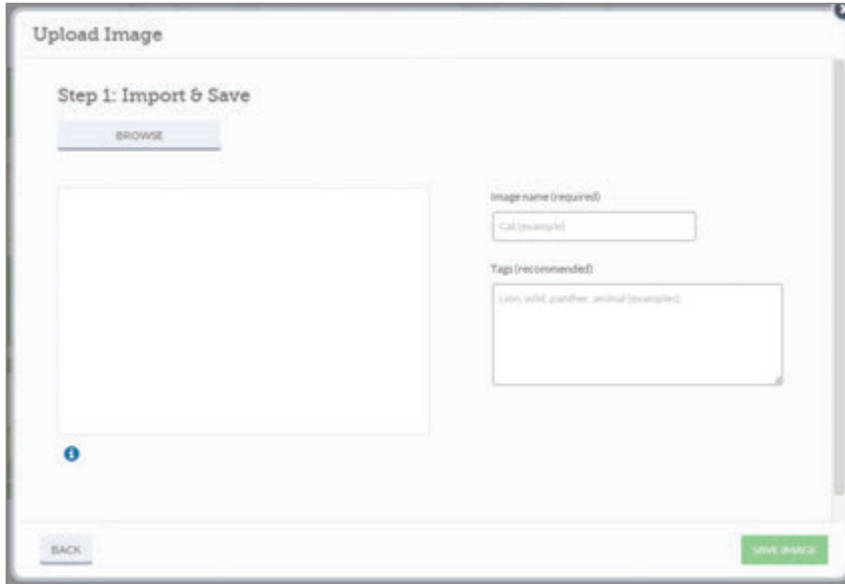


Step 2 A window will open which prompts you to choose your image file type. Choose “Vector Upload” to work with .svg or .dxf files.



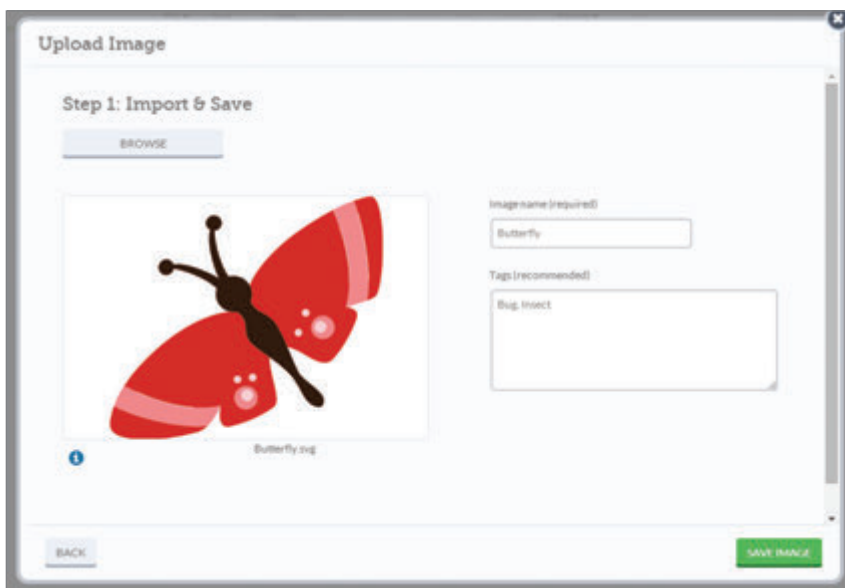
Cutting Your Own Images (cont.)

Step 3 Click “Browse” to find the image you want to use on your computer.



Tip: (Cricut Design Space™ can work with files created from other design software. The files can include solid colors or solid color fills, outlined text, or layers. However, layered images should always remain ungrouped.)

Step 4 Name your image and tag it (if desired) for easy searching and click “Save image.”



Cutting Your Own Images (cont.)

Step 5 You will return to the Upload Image window. Click on your image and a green check will appear indicating it is selected. Click “Insert image” to add to your canvas.



Step 6 Vector images will appear on your canvas as a grouped image. If ungrouped, the image layers can be moved and resized independently.

