GIMP Image editor shortcuts

CONCEPTS

Most tools have a single-key shortcut; hold Shift for the second tool of a family (E is Ellipse, Shift+E is Eraser).

Export As writes PNG/JPEG/etc. Save writes the .xcf project; only .xcf keeps layers.

SELECTION TOOLS

R
Rectangle select

E
Ellipse select

F
Free select (lasso)

U
Fuzzy select (magic wand)

Shift + **Ctrl** + **A**
Select none

Ctrl + **A**
Select all

Ctrl + **I**
Invert selection

PAINT TOOLS

P
Paintbrush

Shift + **E**
Eraser

Shift + **B**
Bucket fill

C
Clone

H
Heal

O
Color picker

PAINT TOOLS (cont.)

D
Default colors (black / white)

X
Swap foreground and background

Ctrl + **,**
Fill with foreground color

TRANSFORM AND OTHER TOOLS

M
Move

Shift + **C**
Crop

T
Text

FILE AND EDIT

Ctrl + **N**
New image

Ctrl + **O**
Open image

Ctrl + **S**
Save as .xcf

Shift + **Ctrl** + **E**
Export As

Ctrl + **Z**
Undo

Ctrl + **Y**
Redo

VIEW AND WINDOW

Plus / **Minus**
Zoom in / out

LAYERS, IMAGE, FILTERS

Shift + **Ctrl** + **N**
New layer