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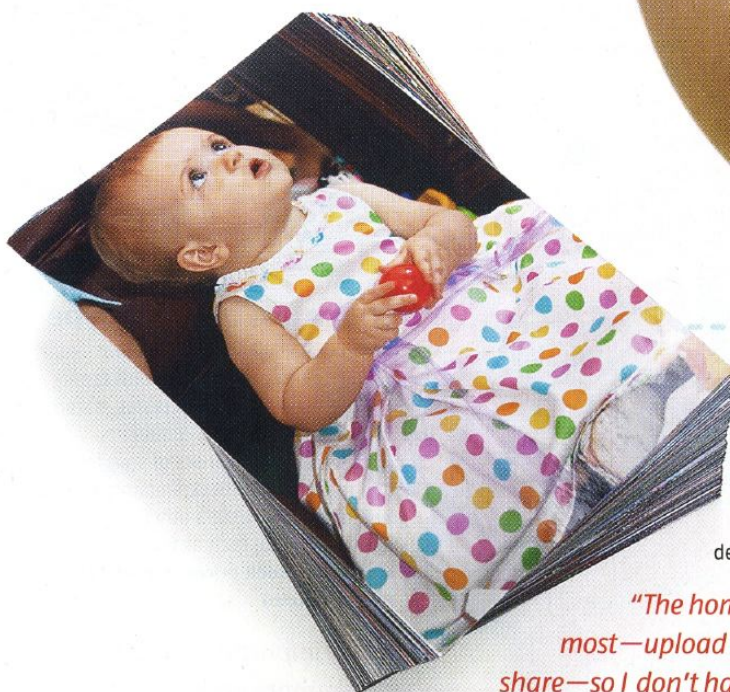


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# The best photo-sharing websites

Organize and show off your digital pics using these easy sites, tested by moms across the country. All but one offer free sharing and unlimited storage—and each has a unique feature that makes it a standout



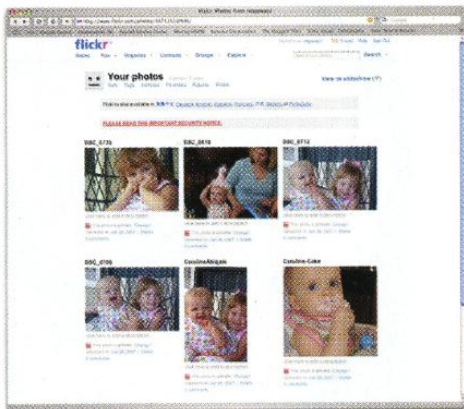
## Because your mortgage costs enough already

With free developing on your first roll of film and at only 12 cents per 4x6 print from a digital camera (the first 20 are free!), **Snapfish** is great for the budget-conscious. The attractive design makes it a cinch to use. ([snapfish.com](http://snapfish.com))

*"The home page highlights the options I need most—upload photos, order prints, send film, and share—so I don't have to go searching around. And it's so cheap to order prints! My mother-in-law always wants hard copies."* —Carla Gibson, mom of Eva, 22 months, Woodbridge, VA

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### For true technophobes

Its no-frills layout and super-clear instructions make **Flickr** the simplest photo-sharing site around. It's especially good for uploading tons of pics at once—and keeping 'em organized with tags, or keywords, that you come up with (like "Thanksgiving" or "SmilingKids"). (**flickr.com**)

*"Every so often we order a softcover book of pictures from them. Otherwise, we'd never make prints and arrange them in an album."*

—Annie Murphy Paul, mom of Teddy, 21 months, New York City

### Since looks do matter

Although it costs \$40 a year for unlimited storing and sharing, **SmugMug** is the most elegant site out there, with no ads or spam. Photos are password-protected, your friends don't have to register to see them, and they're saved in the same high-resolution format you upload them in—most sites don't do that. (**smugmug.com**)

*"I got a personal URL that people can bookmark to view my pictures whenever they want—very convenient."*

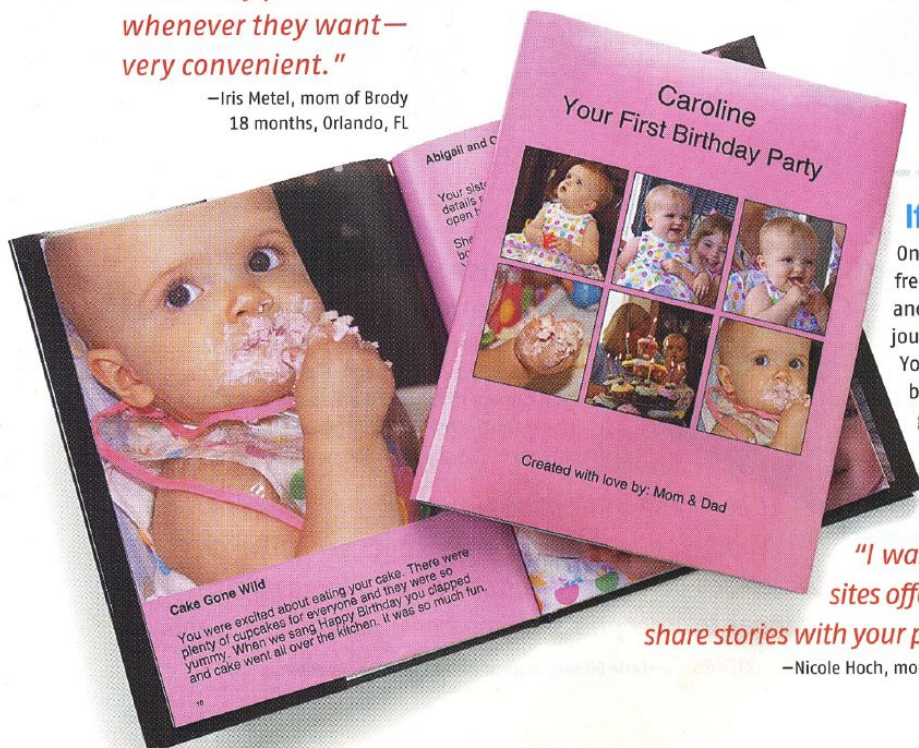
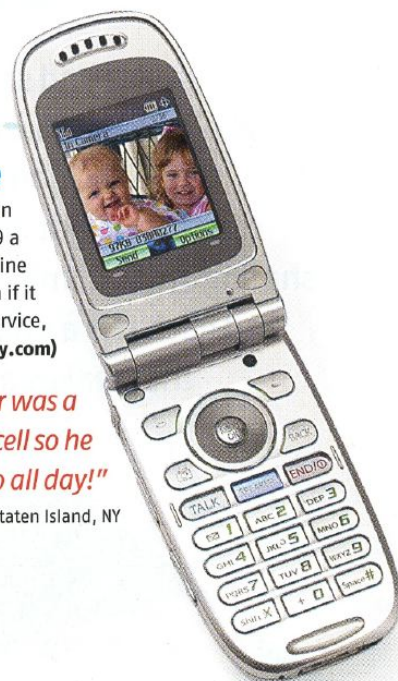
—Iris Metel, mom of Brody 18 months, Orlando, FL

### To snap and share

**Kodak Gallery** lets you send pictures you've taken on your cell phone straight to the site (for \$2.99 a month). You can also view photos from your online gallery on any Internet-enabled cell, even if it doesn't have a camera. Other sites offer this service, but this one's the easiest to use. (**kodakgallery.com**)

*"Uploading photos to my computer was a breeze. I sent them to my husband's cell so he could see what I'd been up to all day!"*

—Danielle Santana, mom of Angelique, 2, Staten Island, NY



### If you're the blogging type

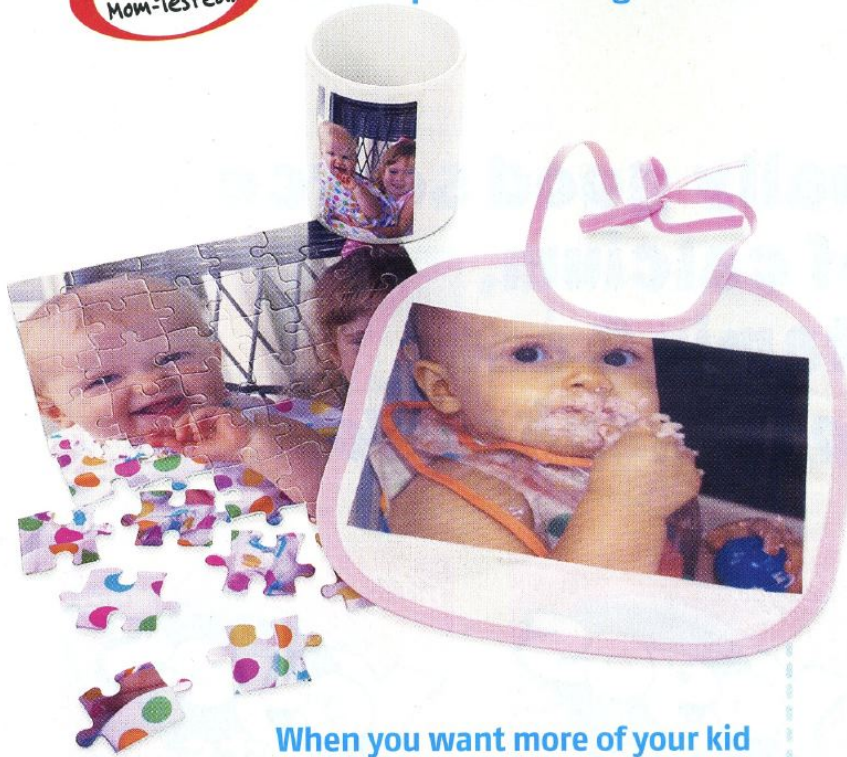
On **OurStory**, you can create your own free online baby book to share with family and friends, complete with pictures, dated journal entries, and family comments. You can even have the fruits of your labor bound in glossy hardback. OurStory is great for capturing life's other adventures, too, such as family vacations. (**Book prices start at \$13; ourstory.com**)

*"I was really impressed—and few sites offer a blogging option. It's fun to share stories with your photos."*

—Nicole Hoch, mom of Caleb, 6, and Karina, 2, West Chester, OH



## The best photo-sharing websites



### When you want more of your kid

If you'd like your child's mug on a mug—or a poster, calendar, postcard, mouse pad, T-shirt, photo book, baby bib, or practically anything else—**Winkflash** has the most variety. Prices are reasonable, too, ranging from 12 cents for a 4x6 print to \$16 for larger canvas prints. ([winkflash.com](http://winkflash.com))

*"The prices are by far the lowest that I've seen. And they shipped my purchase—a mug with my daughter's photo on it, for her dad to drink his coffee from—right away. I plan to buy more!"*

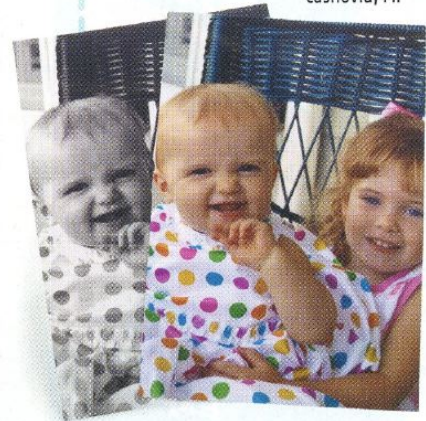
—Annie Yim, mom of Mina, 6 months, Lawrenceville, NJ

### If you're a perfectionist

**Shutterfly** offers the most user-friendly set of editing tools, and for free. Change color to black-and-white, lighten an image, or even fix red-eye. If you've got a Mac, Shutterfly has an export plug-in that lets you upload hundreds of pictures at once, directly from iPhoto. (There's another plug-in for PCs that allows you to drag and drop a batch of photos.) ([shutterfly.com](http://shutterfly.com))

*"I love retouching my photos, and it's still easy to do the basic stuff, too."*

—Cindy Miller, mom of Nicholas, 3 and Valerie, 20 months  
Casnovia, MI



### If your parents aren't Internet-savvy

**Presto** lets you share digital photos *without* a computer. The site will send your parents, or anyone else, a photo printer that they connect to a



phone line (no second line needed). Then you can e-mail your pictures to a specified address, and—presto!—within seconds the photos will be ready to print out at their house. (**\$150 for printer, \$10 a month for service; [presto.com](http://presto.com)**)

*"What I like is that my mom, who's not big on computers, doesn't need Internet access to see recent pictures of my daughter."*

—Mary Cuevas, mom of Sophia, 5 months, Del Rio, TX

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