

How to View the Source Code of a Website

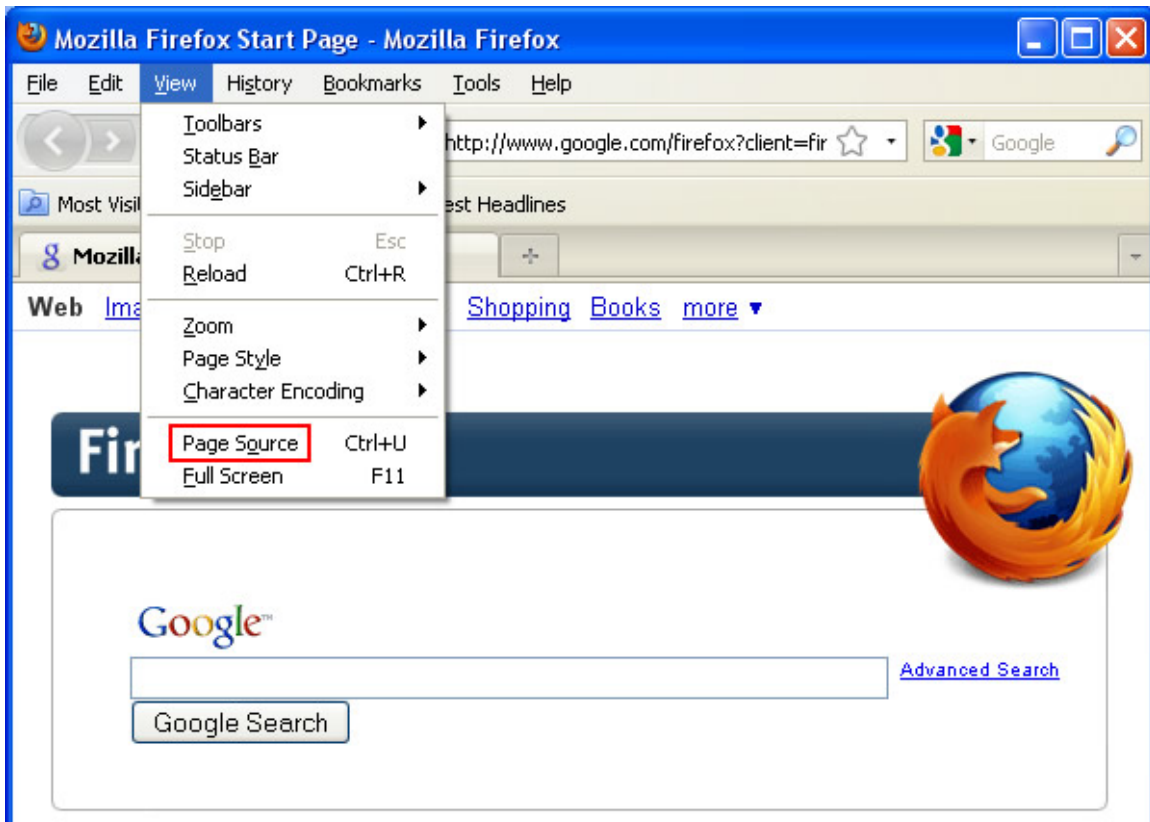
Whether it's your own website or a competitor's website, the source code of a web page is full of valuable information. To view the source code of a website, you need to go to the internet and open a browser window.

80% of web searchers use either Firefox or Internet Explorer to navigate the internet. The following instructions are specific to IE (Internet Explorer) or FireFox. If you don't use either of these browsers, you're probably used to figuring things out with a little direction so the following directions should get you going.

(See page 2 if you don't have the option to "View.")

For most, all you need to do to view source code is:

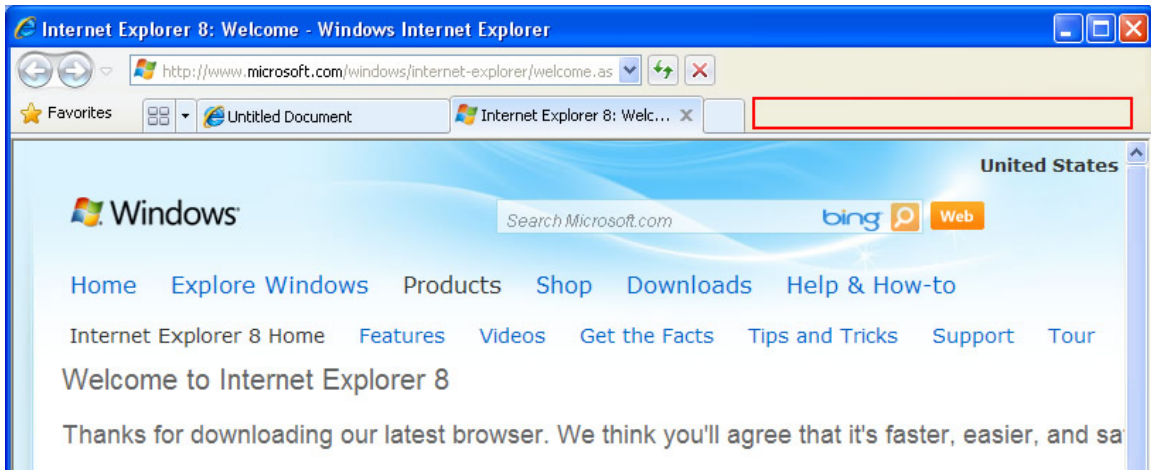
1. Open a browser window
2. Click on "View" which should show a drop down menu similar to the one below
3. Click on "Page Source" or "View Source". The exact wording will depend on what browser you are using.
4. If all went well, a separate document should appear with the source code in it.



What to Do if You Don't Have the Menu Toolbar

The Menu toolbar starts with "File Edit View" and is typically located above the URL of the website you are looking at. If this toolbar isn't visible in your browser window, you can add it by following the directions below.

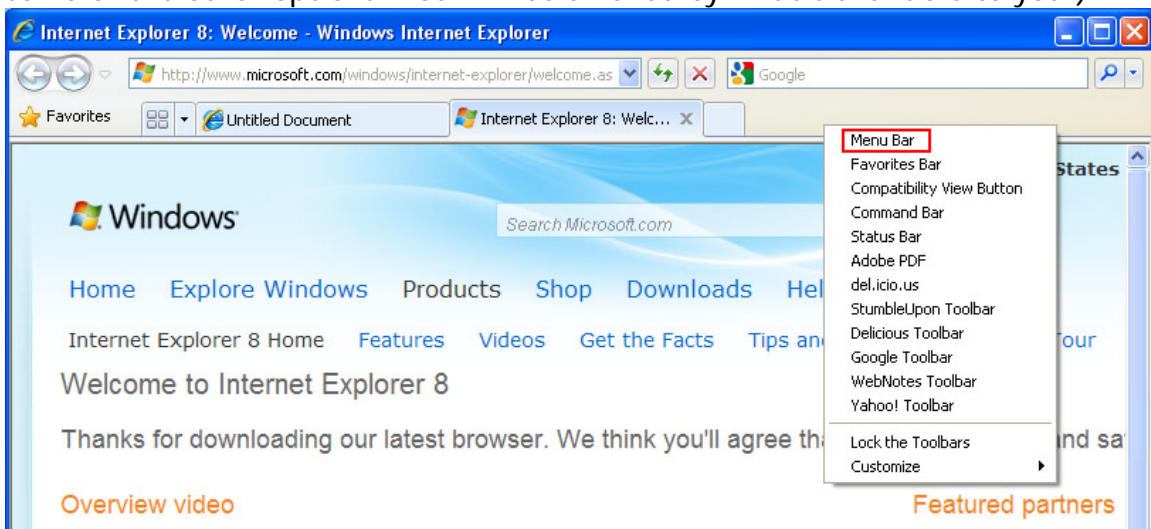
#1 Find a blank space above the search window like the spot highlighted in red below. (What you see will be different. Browser windows are almost as unique as finger prints. Just look for a blank space.)



#2 Right click on the empty space.

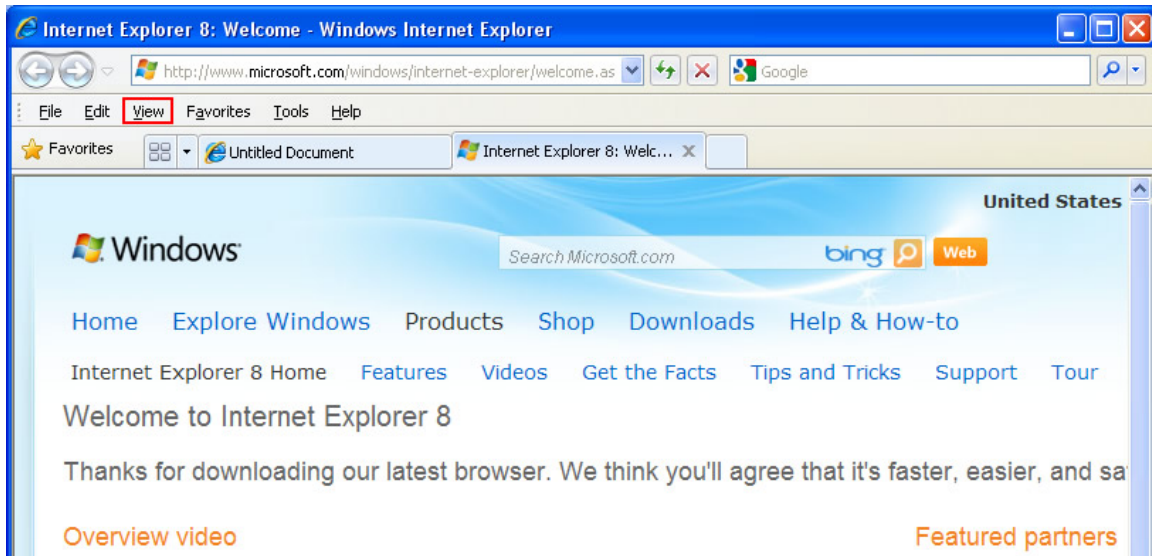
Doing so should show you a list. One of the items on the list should be "Menu Bar." Click on Menu Bar.

(Once you've gotten the Menu Bar to display, you might come back and click on some of the other options. You will be amazed by what's available to you.)



#3 If all went well, you have a Menu Bar.

Now, click on "View" and then "Page Source" to view the source code of the web page.



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