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CHATGPT CAN TELL YOU EXACTLY WHERE ANY PHOTO WAS TAKEN

THE DETECTIVE PROMPT FROM MY VIDEO

ChatGPT can now tell you exactly where any photo was taken. Upload any photo, like an old vacation picture or a family photo, and it finds the exact spot in the world where it was taken. It looks at the buildings, the plants, the signs, even the shadows, and then walks you through how it narrowed it down. Here's the exact prompt from my video and how to turn on Ultra.

The exact prompt from my video, word for word

How to turn on Ultra in ChatGPT

Prompts to pin the exact spot and check the answer

How to use it on old family photos

Quick fixes if it gets it wrong

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Copy This First: The Prompt From My Video

Open ChatGPT, switch from **Chat** to **Work** at the top and turn on **Ultra** (Step 1 shows you where, it takes 10 seconds). Then click **+** next to the message box, choose **Add photos & files**, add your photo and paste this:

PROMPT 1 | COPY & PASTE

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Tell me exactly where this was taken. Use every single clue in the picture and then
tell me how you figured it out.
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ChatGPT is then going to analyze the entire photo and look for the buildings, plants, signs, even the shadows, and walk you through how it narrowed it down. I tested this on a photo from my travels and it literally found the exact street.

TIP

On Ultra it splits the job between a few helpers that search at the same time, so give it a few minutes. You'll see it working step by step in the chat. You can leave and come back.

Step 1: Turn On Ultra

Ultra is the highest setting in ChatGPT Work. Instead of one pass, it splits a big job into parts and has helpers (OpenAI calls them sub-agents) work on them at the same time. For a detective job with lots of clues to chase down, that's exactly what you want.

- **Switch to Work.** Open ChatGPT and switch from **Chat** to **Work** at the top. The home screen changes to "What should we work on?"
- **Open the model button.** Click the button next to the microphone. At first it says **GPT-6.2 Sol Light**.
- **Pick Astra.** Click the model name at the top of the little window and choose **GPT-6.2 Astra** from the list.
- **Slide to Ultra.** Drag the slider all the way to the right until it says **Ultra** (click the button again if the window closed). The button now reads **GPT-6.2 Astra Ultra**.

That's it. Ultra stays on for that chat.

TIP

Don't see Ultra? In the ChatGPT desktop app, go to **Settings > Configuration** and turn on **Ultra in model picker slider**. Still not there? Slide to the highest setting you have, like **Max**. The prompt still works.

HEADS UP

Ultra uses more of your Work allowance than the lower settings, because several helpers work at once. On Plus, save it for the photos you really care about.

Step 2: Send Your Photo

- **Add the photo.** Click **+** next to the message box, choose **Add photos & files** and pick your photo.
- **Paste the prompt.** Paste the prompt from my video and send it.
- **Watch it work.** It zooms in on the clues, searches, compares places and narrows it down, then gives you its answer and every clue it used.

What makes a photo easy to find

Good clues	Why they help
Signs, shop names, street names	Words and languages narrow it down fast
Buildings and rooftops	Styles, colors and materials are different everywhere
Plants and trees	They tell it the climate and the region
Shadows and light	They tell it which way the street runs and the time of day
Road markings, cars, poles	Every country does these a little differently

A close-up of a plate of food or a wall is hard. A street, a view or a building is perfect.

> **TIP**
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> Photos straight from your phone can carry the place they were taken in the file itself. Want to be sure it's really reading the picture like a detective? Send a screenshot of the photo instead.

Step 3: Dig Deeper and Check the Answer

Stay in the same chat and send any of these.

Pin the exact spot:

PROMPT 2 | COPY & PASTE

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Now give me the exact spot: the closest street address or corner, a Google Maps link,
and which way the camera was facing.
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Open the link and drop into Street View. Seeing the same building from the same angle is the best part.

Ask how sure it is:

PROMPT 3 | COPY & PASTE

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How sure are you, from 1 to 10? List any clues that point somewhere else, and tell me
what one extra photo from the same place would settle it.
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Old family photos:

PROMPT 4 | COPY & PASTE

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This is an old family photo. Tell me where it was most likely taken and roughly what
year, using the buildings, signs, cars and clothes. Then tell me what that same spot
looks like today.
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Plan a trip back:

PROMPT 5 | COPY & PASTE

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Now plan me a day at this exact spot: how to get there, the best time of day to get the
same light as this photo, and three things nearby I shouldn't miss.
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> **TIP**
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> Use it on your own photos, like your travels and old family pictures, not to figure out where someone else lives.

Common Mistakes and Quick Fixes

If this happens	Try this
It says it can't tell where the photo is	Say: "Make your best guess. Walk me through the clues and give me your top 3 places, most likely first."
It gets the city but not the street	Say: "Zoom in on the signs, shop names and street details and narrow it down to the exact street." A second photo from the same spot helps a lot.
You can't find Ultra	Make sure you're in **Work**, not Chat. Pick **GPT-6.2 Astra**, then slide all the way right. In the desktop app, **Settings > Configuration > Ultra in model picker slider**.
ChatGPT asks you to upgrade	Ultra needs a paid plan (Plus or Pro). On a free plan, send the same prompt in a normal chat.
It's taking a long time	That's normal on Ultra, it's searching a lot. Leave the chat open or come back later.
The photo won't upload	Click **+ > Add photos & files** again, or take a screenshot of the photo and upload that.
It picks the wrong country	Tell it what you know ("This was in Europe, in summer") and ask it to try again.
The map link goes to the wrong place	Ask: "Check that link against your clues and fix it." Then open it in Street View yourself.

Quick Reference: Find Where Any Photo Was Taken

What you want	Do this
Turn on Ultra	Work, model button, **GPT-6.2 Astra**, slide to **Ultra**
Add your photo	**+ > Add photos & files**
Find the spot	Prompt 1, the prompt from my video
A map link and the camera direction	Prompt 2
How sure it is	Prompt 3
An old family photo	Prompt 4
A trip back there	Prompt 5

DO THIS TODAY

Pick one photo from your last trip, switch to Work, turn on Ultra and send the prompt from my video. Then ask for the map link and see if it nailed the exact street.

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Every photo is full of clues. Now you've got a detective that finds all of them.