

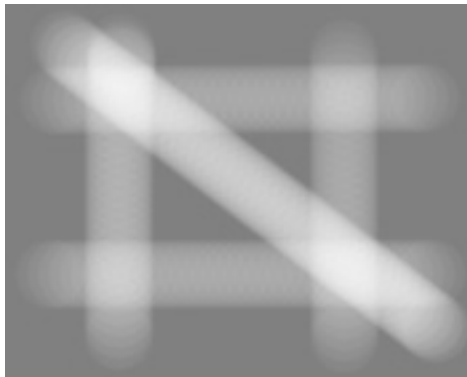
### What's the difference between Flow & Density?

Flow controls the rate at which the adjustment is applied.

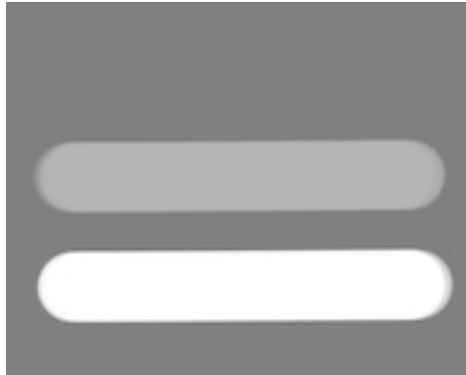
With flow at 100, the brush behaves like a paintbrush, laying down the maximum effect with each stroke. You can see this in the screenshot, where the effect is applied equally with each stroke.



With flow at a lower value such as 25, the brush behaves more like an airbrush, building up the effect gradually. Each stroke adds to the effect of the previous strokes, giving the effect shown in the screenshot, where areas that have multiple brushstrokes are stronger than those with a single stroke.



Density controls the maximum strength of the stroke. Regardless of how many times you paint that stroke or the settings used, it can never be stronger than the maximum density setting. In the screenshot, the top line – the one that you can't see – is set to 0. The center line is set to 25 and the bottom line is set to 100.



To fully understand these controls, try creating a single 50% grey file and testing different combinations of sliders – it's easier to see the differences when you're not distracted by a photo.