

Taking a Snapshot of Part of the Screen

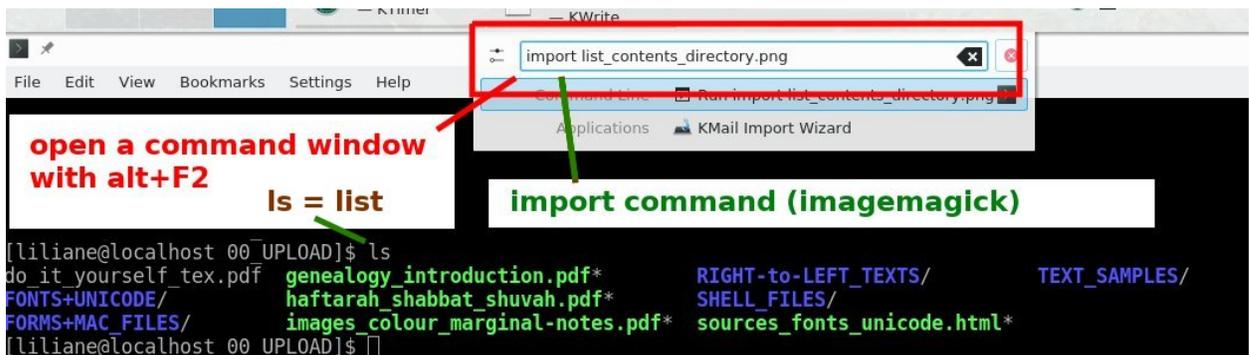
There are two methods: using using the *shell/terminal* command `IMPORT` or using the *GUI* `SPECTACLE`.

1. `IMPORT` is a command from the `IMAGEMAGICK` package.

To invoke it you use the key combination: `ALT+F2`.

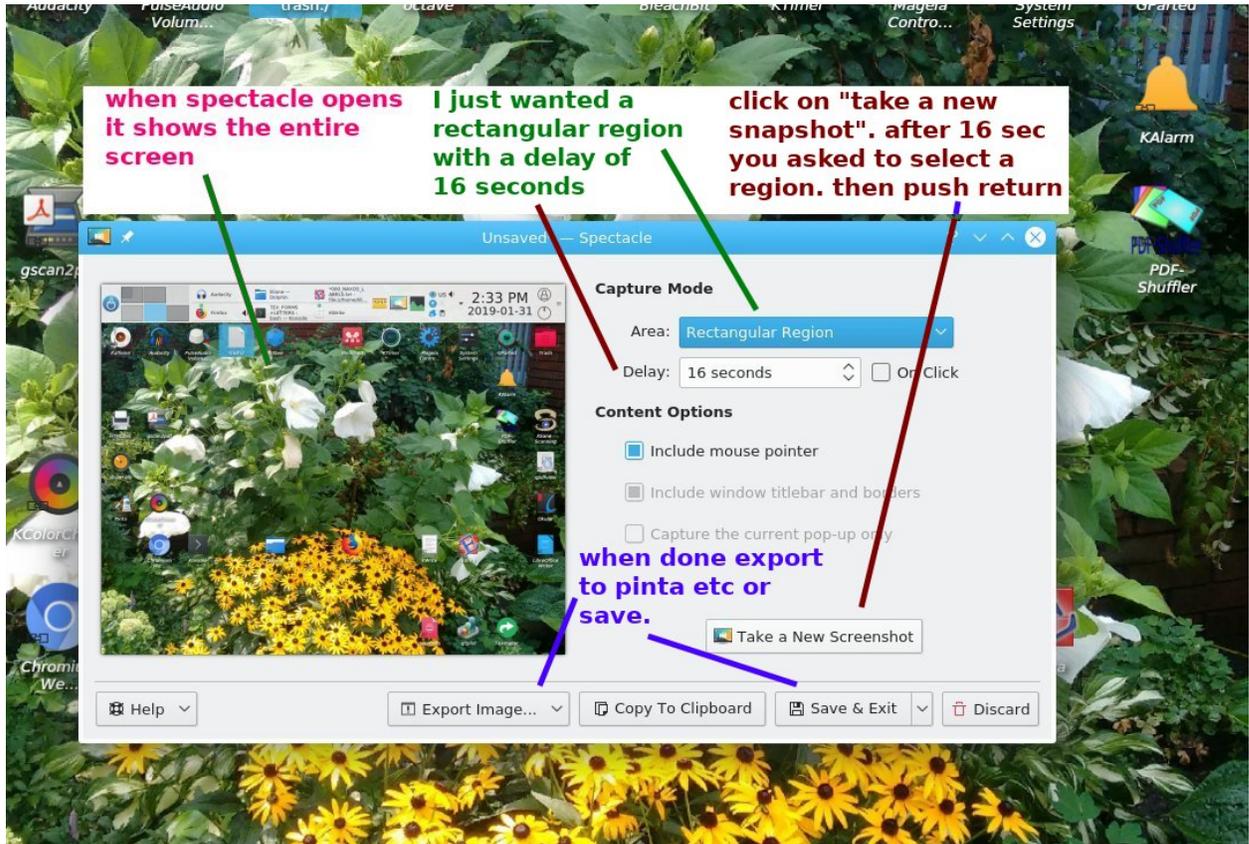
In the little box you *type* `import list_contents_directory.png`.

Push `RETURN` and use the cursor to draw a rectangle around that part of the screen that interests you. In the following example I wanted to illustrate the `ls` (`list`) command:



Using `IMPORT`

2. SPECTACLE allows for a delay before the snapshot is taken. This is very useful if you want to take a snapshot of some action. Since the little box invoked by the key combination ALT + F2 will not stay open I used a 16 second delay. This gave me the time to use IMPORT as above. The steps and choices are illustrated in the the image.



Using SPECTACLE

By the by, the cropping, writing and drawing in the pictures was done with the lightweight, but very capable and easy to use *GUI PINTA*. To write on a picture with a dark background, select a region and fill it with white (via `edit + fill`), then click on the space to fix the white. After that you can write in one or many colours and draw arrows. I like *dejavu sans -- bold* for writing.