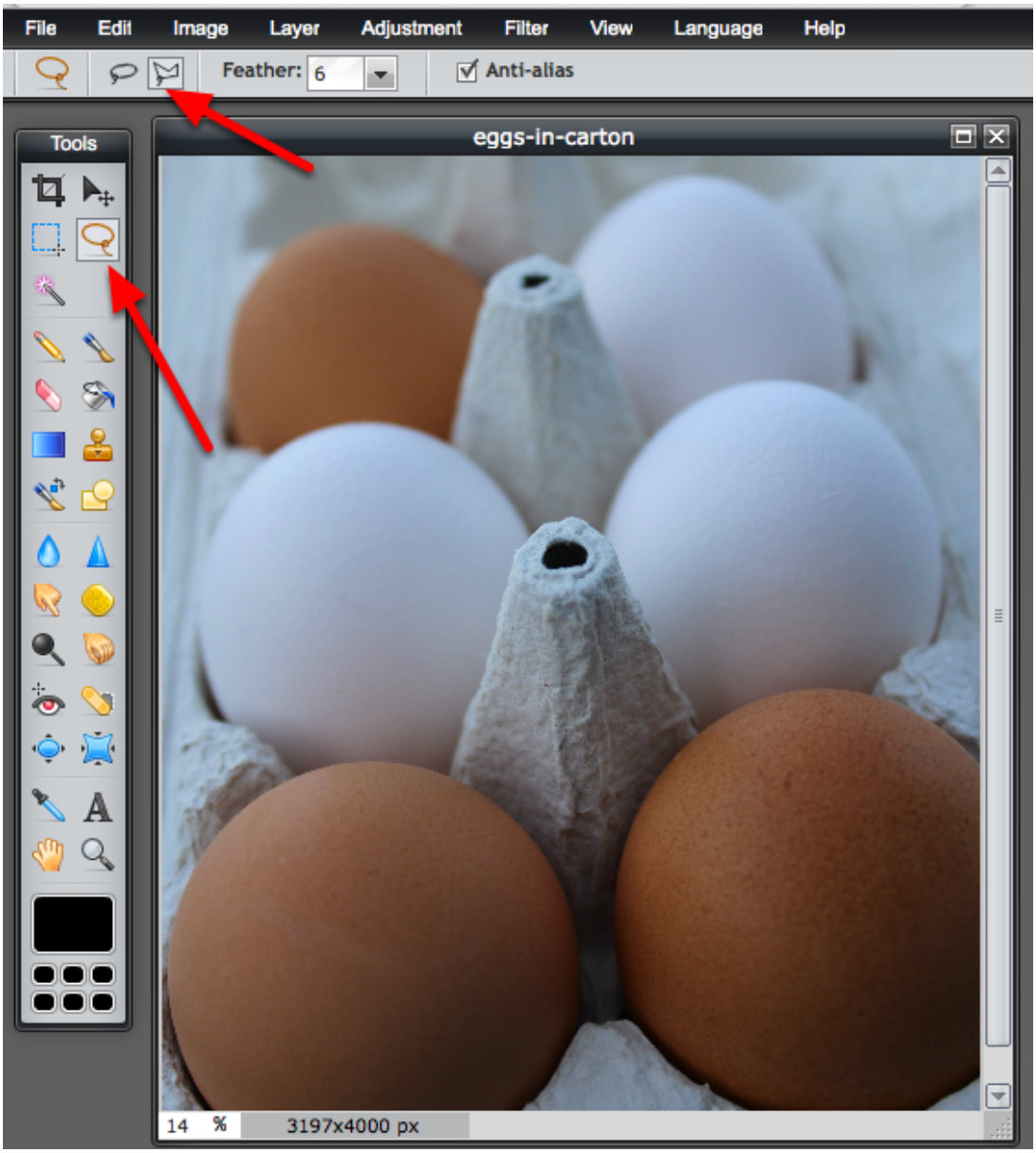
Pixlr Worksheet - Selective Colour

You can selectively add colour to an image.
1. By using hue and saturation and the Lassoo tool, you can add or change colour in an object inside the photo.
2. Using layers and the Eraser tool, you can desaturate an image to Grey and then add colour to an object. The background is grey and there is selective colour in the rest of the image

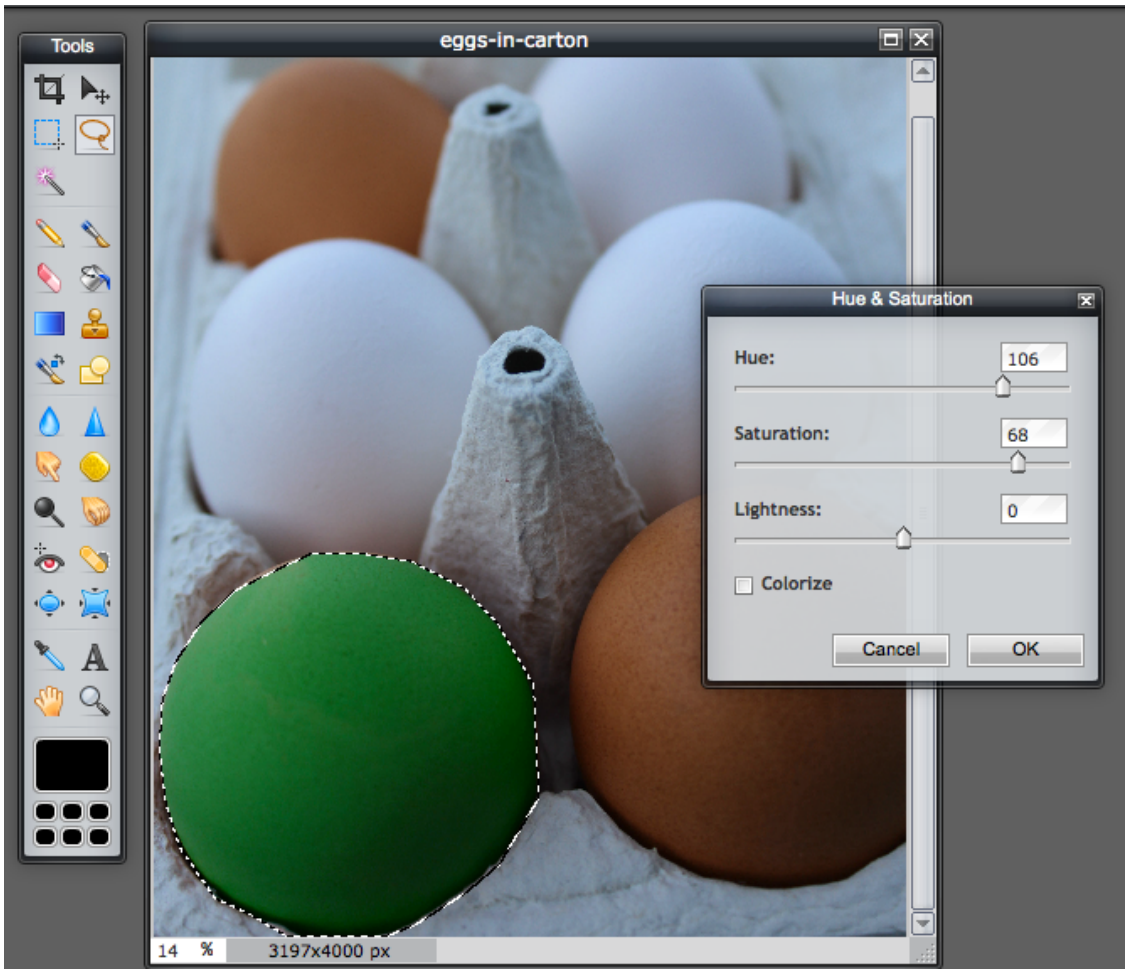
Video available on Youtube: http://youtu.be/wfRV-Ae5I94

Use Hue and Saturation



Open the image: eggs-in-carton.jpg
Select the Lasso tool and then the Polygonal Lasso tool,

Change the colour of the selected egg



Using Hue and Saturation, change the colour of the egg. **Adjustments: Hue and Saturation.** Moving the Hue slider to the right gives the egg a green colour. Moving the Saturation slider to the right deepened that green colour.
Experiment by changing all three sliders to get the colour you want for your egg. Click OK when you are done.

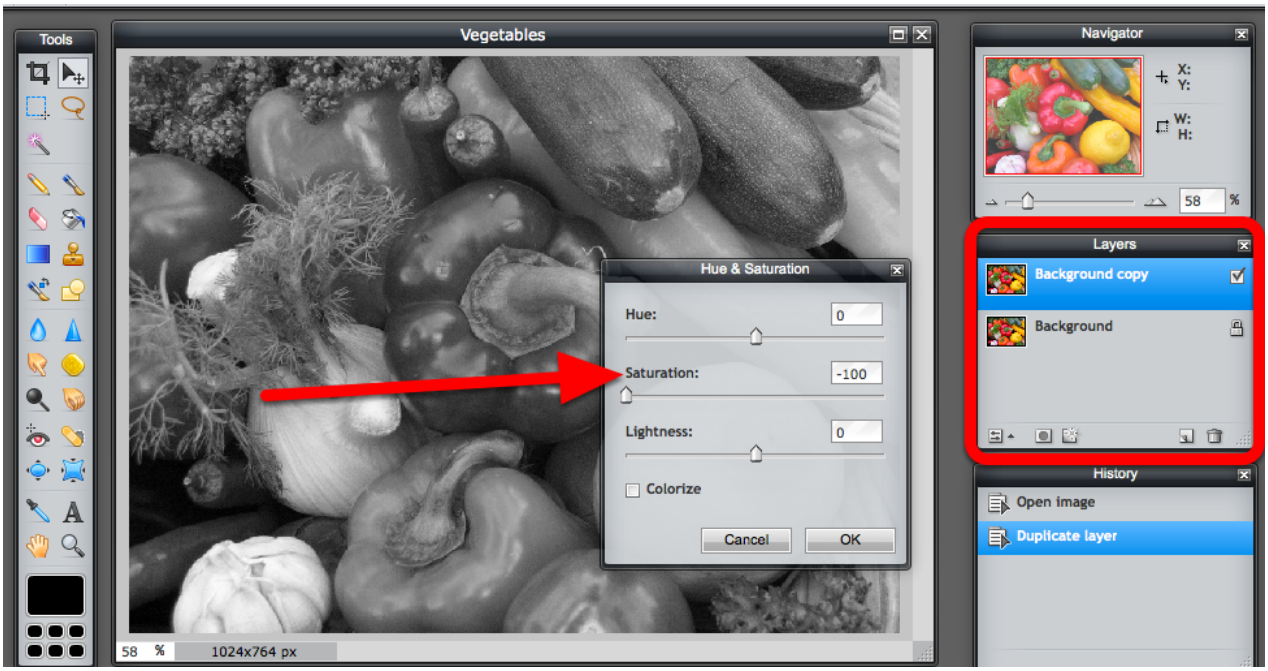
Remove the dotted lines. **Edit, Deselect All.** Save your image. Give it a new filename so you can keep the original image.

Selective colour using Layers

Open the image: vegetables. png

Duplicate the background layer. The background layer is by default selected so just click "**Layer → Duplicate layer**" in the Layer menu. You now will have a copy of the background in the right hand layers box.

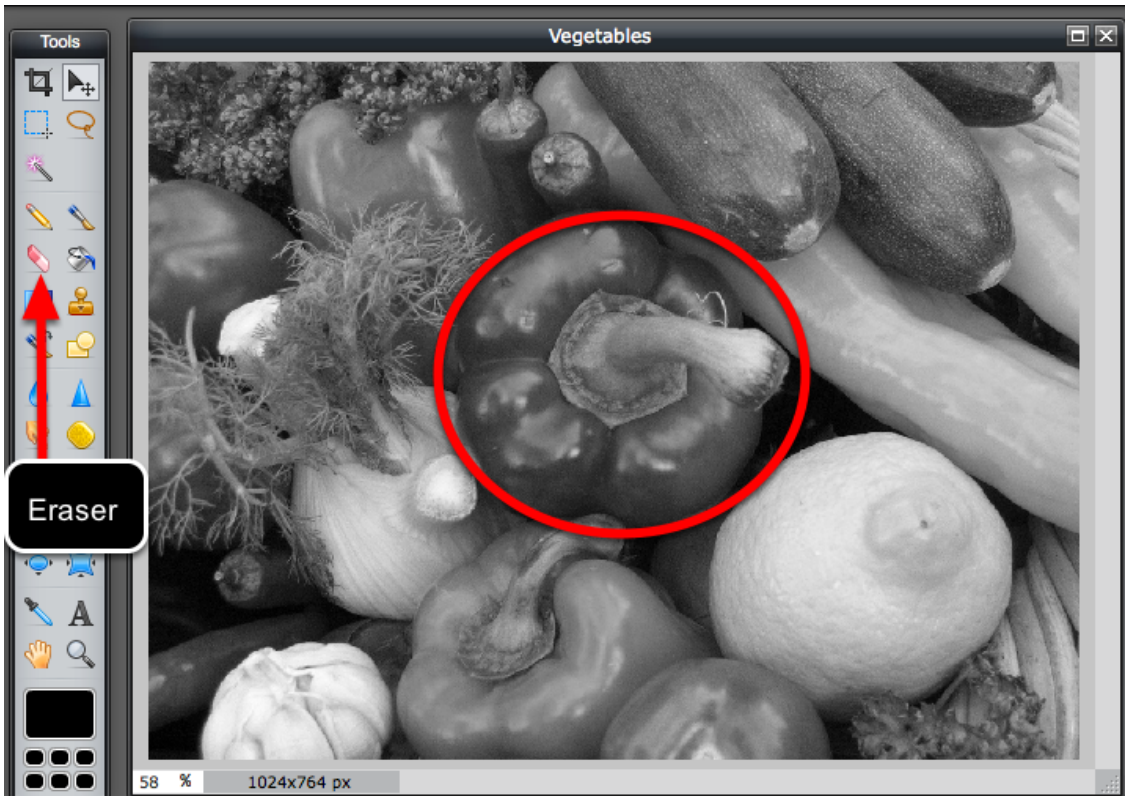
Desaturate the Duplicate Layer



We now turn the layer copy into grey scale, to achieve this you click "**Adjustments → Hue and Saturation**" in the menu.

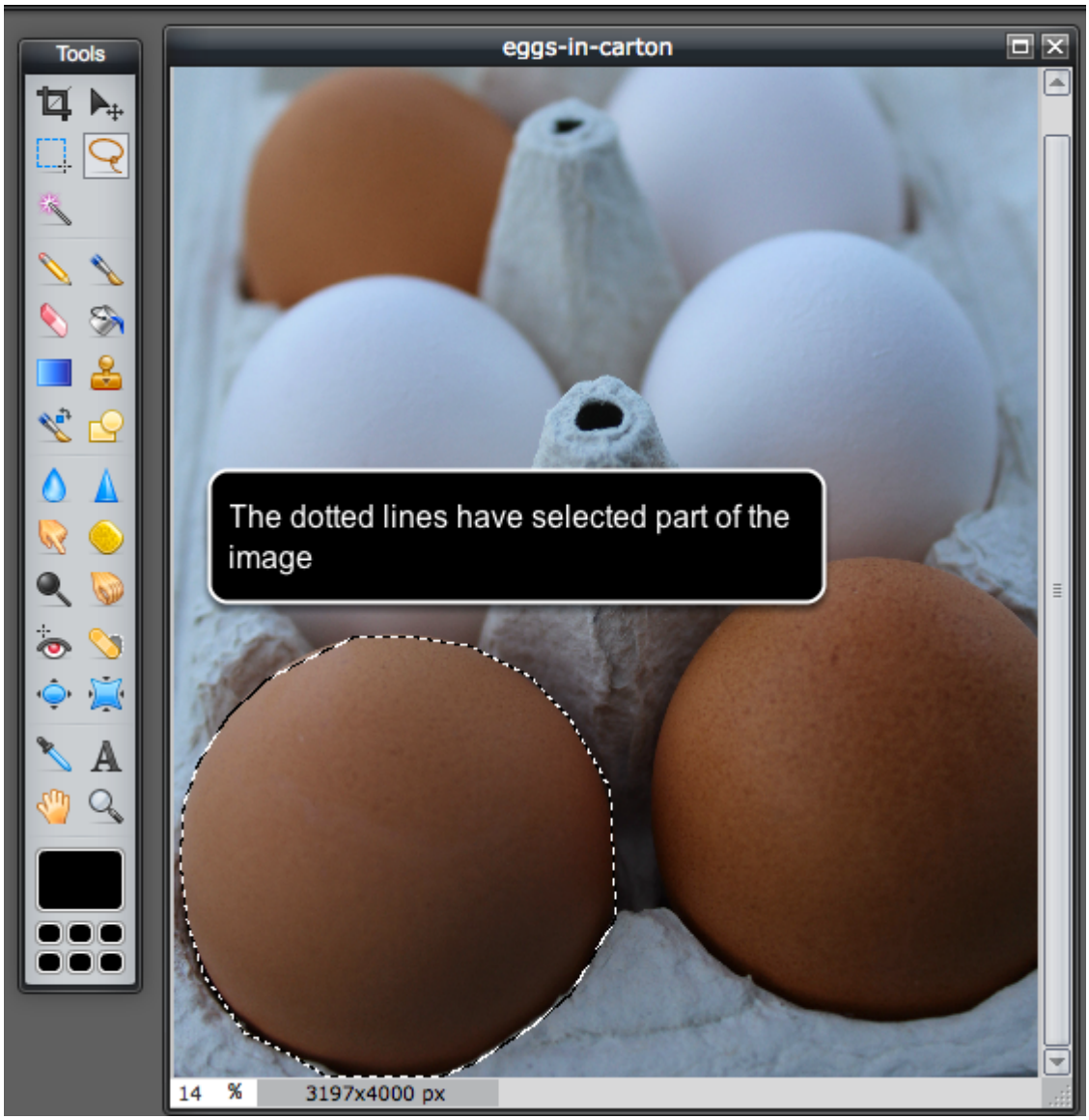
Move the Saturation Slider to the left - 100. The image is now all grey.
Notice that the active layer is the Background copy. The grey layer is on top of the origin al coloured layer (Background)

Saturate an object with colour



Recolour the large pepper in the middle of the image
With the Eraser tool selected you can erase the parts of the layer you want to recolour. By erasing the grey layer , the colour background will shine through.
Tips:
1. Work with a larger brush in the beginning and choose a smaller one when doing the edges of the colour area.
2. Use the Navigator to magnify the object which makes it easier to see the edges and cover the larger spaces.

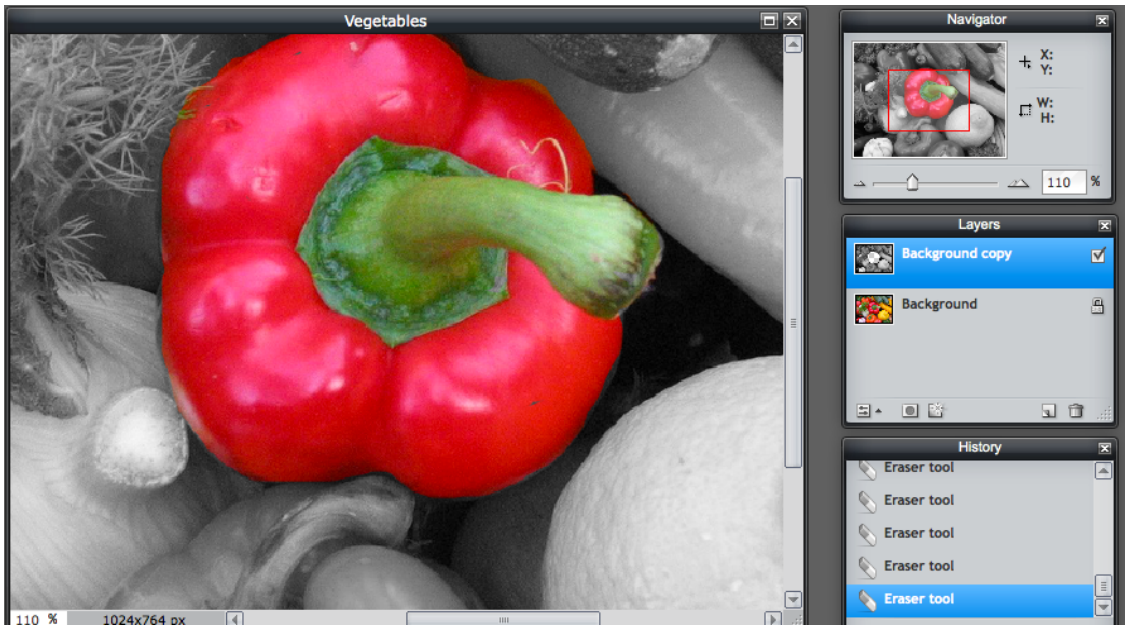
Select the object that will change colour



Using the Lasso tool, slowly outline the brown egg in the foreground. The Polygonal tool will allow you to draw relatively straight lines. When the object starts to curve, click to anchor the lasso and then continue outlining. Double click when the lines meet and your object has been selected.

You can also use the Navigator to magnify the object which may make it easier to outline.

The object magnified and recoloured



The Navigator has been used to magnify the object.

The completed object selectively coloured