

# DigiTool user guide

## Introduction

This guide describes the DigiTool discovery functionalities available to a generic, non-staff user who wants to access the images available as **Historic Collections Online** content.

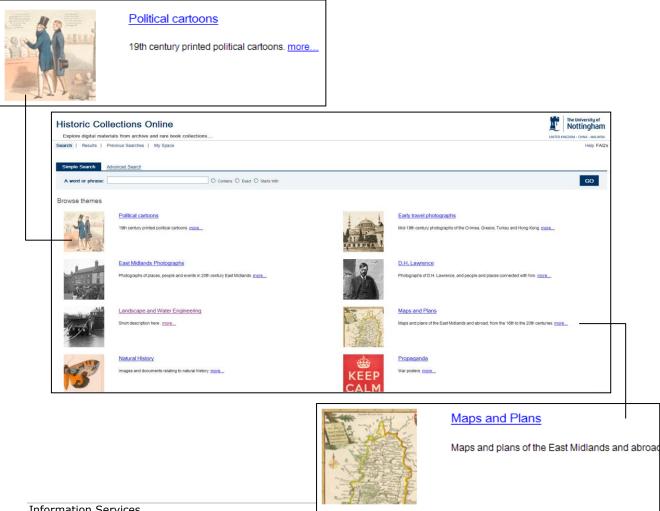
This guide will be extended and adapted as additional content is made available to the users.

The DigiTool interface can be accessed at <a href="http://digitool.nottingham.ac.uk:8881/R/?local-base=GEN01-MSS">http://digitool.nottingham.ac.uk:8881/R/?local-base=GEN01-MSS</a>.

#### Search interface

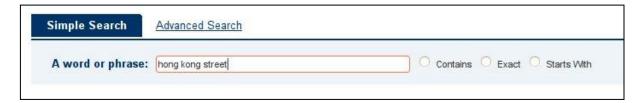
The first screen available to the user is the one that allows simple search and browsing of **Historic Collections Online** content.

The content, consisting entirely of digitised images, has been organised in themes, which provide grouping of images related to specific subjects (as "Political Cartoons" or "Maps and Plans").



## Simple search

The user can perform a simple search by entering a word or a phrase, specifying if the searched fields should provide an exact match or not, and pressing the **Go** button (see above).



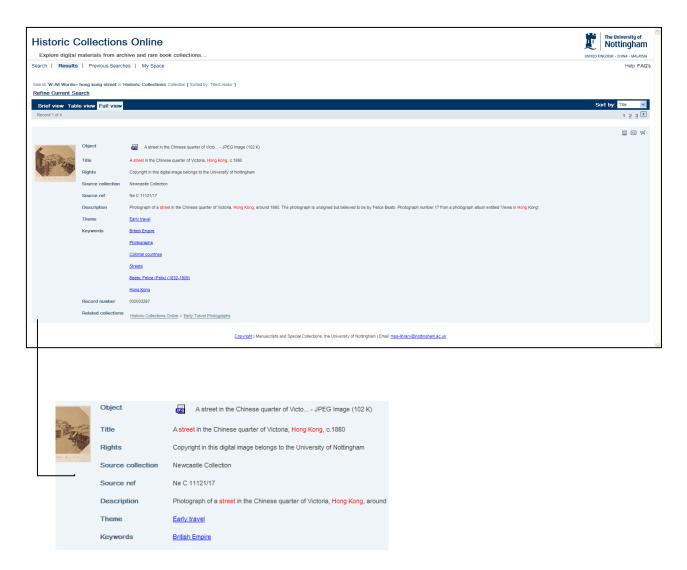
Search results will be displayed by default in a brief view, which can be changed to table or full view.



If the user clicks on an image thumbnail, the image, or a list of its manifestations, will be displayed.

Different manifestations are at the moment used to display some of the images at different resolutions, and/or in different formats.

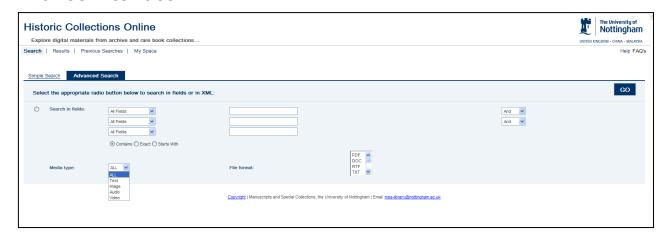
If the user clicks on the image title, the full view of the image record will be displayed:



#### Advanced search

By clicking on the **Advanced Search** tab, the user has the possibility of performing a search using logical operators, and filtering by media type and file format.

## Browse interface

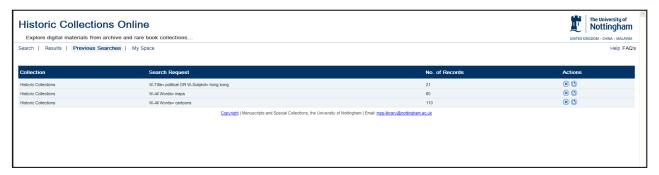


On the first screen the user also has the possibility, by clicking on the theme titles, to see the whole content of the theme, using the three standard views (**Brief**,

<b>Table</b> , and description	<b>Full</b> ). of the	By clicking on theme.	More,	the user	has acce	ss to a mo	ore detailed	t

## **Previous Searches**

By clicking on **Previous Searches**, the user can see the previous searches that have been performed:



## Save record, mail, E-shelf



#### Save record

By clicking on the **disk icon** located (together with the **E-shelf** and **Mail** icons) under the reference number, the image record can be saved. The file format is **.sav**, which is however plain text and can be seen with Notepad or Word.

#### Mail

By clicking on the **mail icon** located (together with the **Save record and E-shelf** icons) under the reference number, image records can be sent to an email address. The image record will contain links to the image as visible on the DigiTool interface.

#### E-shelf

By clicking on the **trolley icon** located (together with the **Save record** and **Mail** icons) under the reference number, an image can be saved to the user's eshelf. This allows the user to create a set of images to be used for specific purposes.