



Facebook can be used on the web or via an app, and the location of settings and features can differ. We look solely at the desktop version for the first four chapters of this book, before introducing the mobile apps.



Although Facebook asks for your birthday, you will be able to control who sees it later.

# Getting a Facebook account

Facebook allows anyone over the age of 13 to create a single, personal account for free. The sign-up process takes very little time, and you can complete it at **facebook.com** using a web browser on your computer.

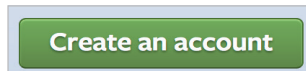
Once you have created an account, you will be also able to access it through any browser, your mobile smartphone and on any tablet you may own.

- 1 Visit **facebook.com** and input your name, and either your mobile number or email address, on the Home screen
- 2 Create a password
- 3 Use the drop-down buttons to select your date of birth
- 4 Now indicate whether you are male or female
- 5 Click on the **Create an account** button

## Create an account

It's free and always will be.

First name	Surname
Mobile number or email address	
New password	



## Confirm your Facebook account

- 1 You will need to confirm your account before you can use it. If you inputted your email address, then you will be sent a verification email. Click the **Confirm Your Account** button within the email to finish creating your account
- 2 Alternatively, if you inputted your mobile number, a text message containing a code will be sent to you. Enter this code in the Confirm box that appears when you log in to Facebook