



Vigee User Guide

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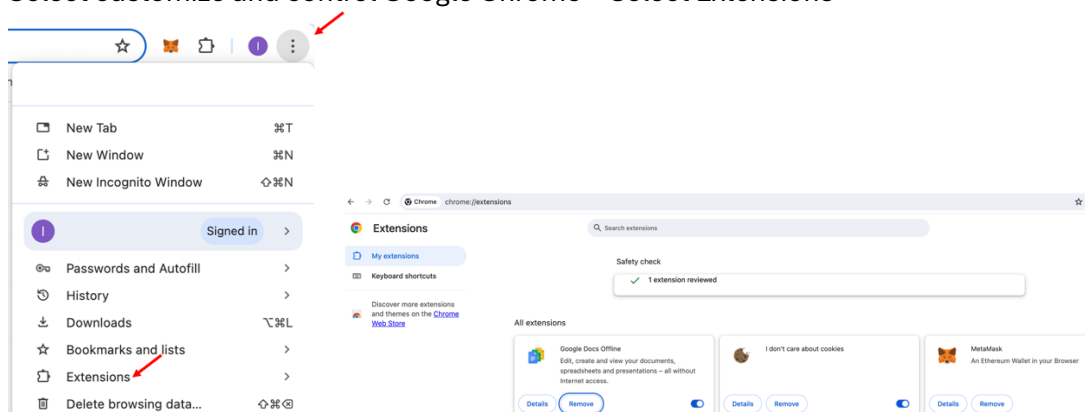
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1. Basic Requirements

Let's clarify first what setup we recommend using with Vigee.art. The best way to access and perform transactions of Vigee is done via a desktop or laptop with the Google Chrome Browser. We also recommend using a social login account or browser-based wallet and therefore also ask you to keep security in mind as there can be sometimes unwanted or malicious extensions logging all information of interactions between user – browser – access sites. This is important as a wallet which is also a browser extension can easily be compromised just like interactions with your bank account or any other service where the browser is action as a passthrough service provider.

Here is an example with Chrome reflecting where the extensions are located within your browser:

Select customize and control Google Chrome > Select Extensions

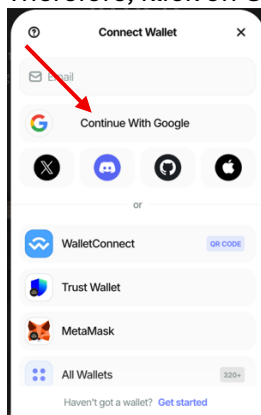


Review your Extensions ensuring that only wanted and used extensions are installed.

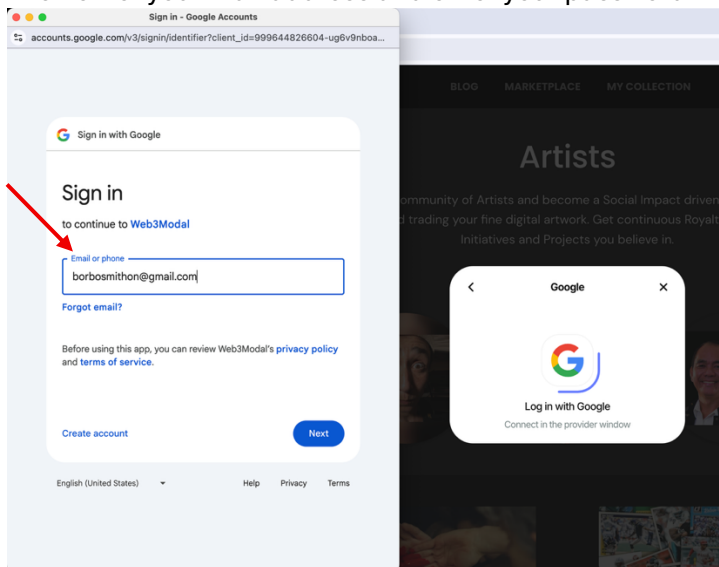
Important: Current supported browser include Chrome & Firefox!

2. Connect Social Login

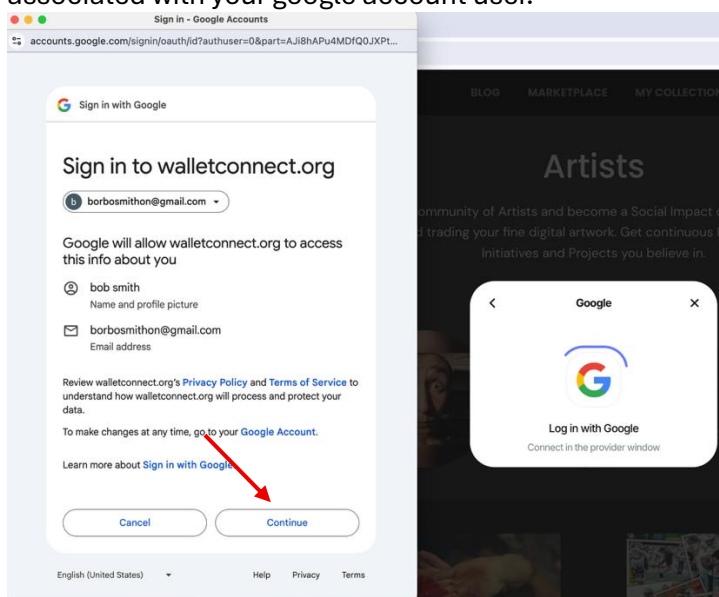
You have the option to connect with your social login account like Google, Apple and more besides connecting with a wallet like MetaMask. To keep things simple, we will focus on social login with Google. Therefore, click on Continue with Google.



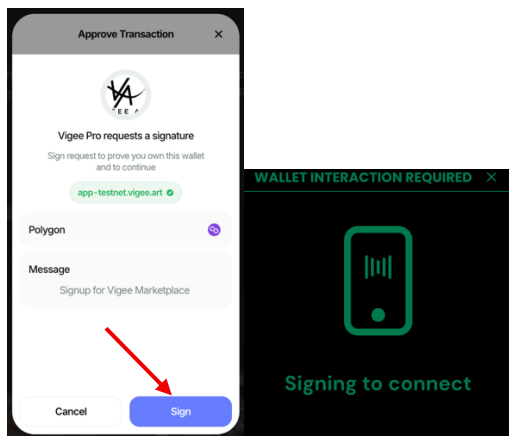
Then enter your mail address and enter your password:



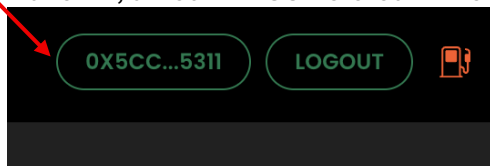
Then you have to click on continue to sign into walletconnect which will automatically generate a wallet associated with your google account user.



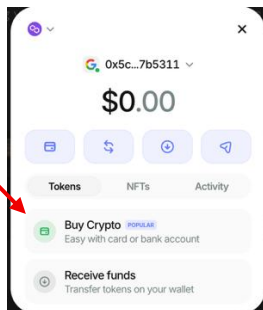
Next you have to sign that you would like to sign up to access the Vigee Marketplace. Then you will see a signing to connect popup which you can just leave to process without selecting anything.



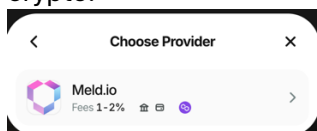
Then you will see at the top right of the [Vigee platform](#) that a wallet has been created with a hexadecimal ID. When you click on the newly created wallet ID you will see a popup window which reflects your unique wallet ID, amount in USD stored in the wallet.



In this case we don't have any funds available. You have several options here to add funds to the wallet.

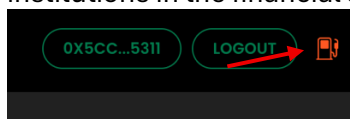


You can click on Buy Crypto and will see a popup window with our available provider allowing you to buy crypto.

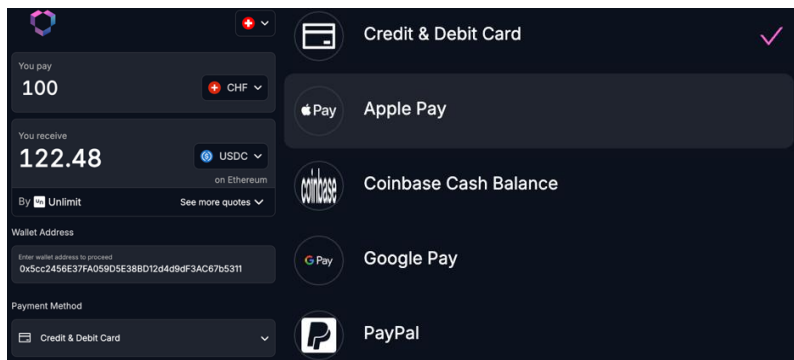


Note: Your wallet will require POL tokens (Polygon) to buy for transactions on the platform. In the Web 3 world we call this Gas fees, just like Gas in a car. For more information you can click on the top right of your screen on the petrol station icon which will show you the minimum required. To be safe it probably would make sense to double the amount required.

Any payments for artwork are made with a stable coin which does not fluctuate like crypto but remains stable and is pegged to the USD. In this case we work with USDC which is a backed stable coin by large institutions in the financial sector.

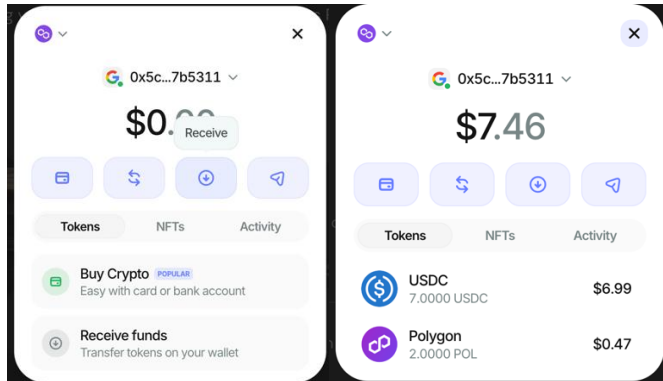


Further on, once we carry on in our buying process you can select to buy POL & USDC from the popup window.

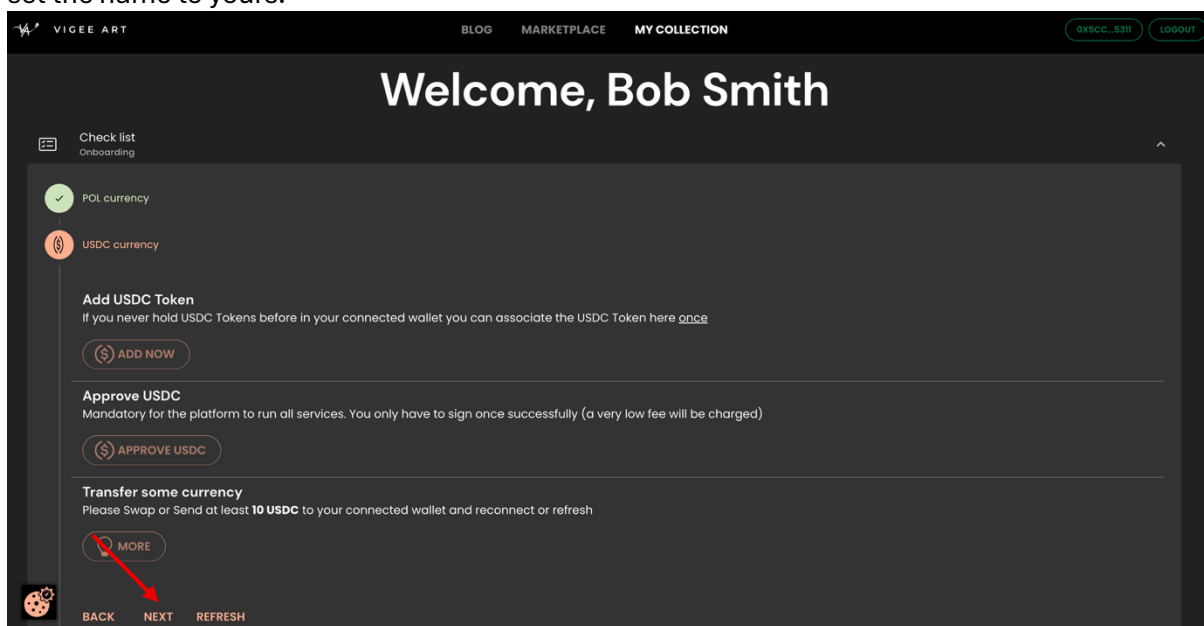


There are many ways to buy those currencies.

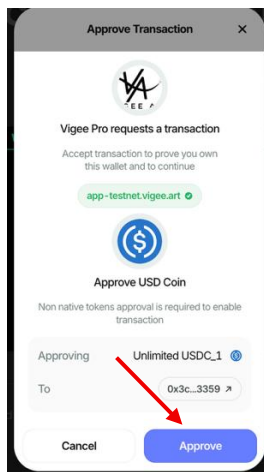
However, in our case we will transfer some funds from an account on a crypto exchange like Coinbase, Kraken or Binance, which we can now see in the wallet as USDC and POL.



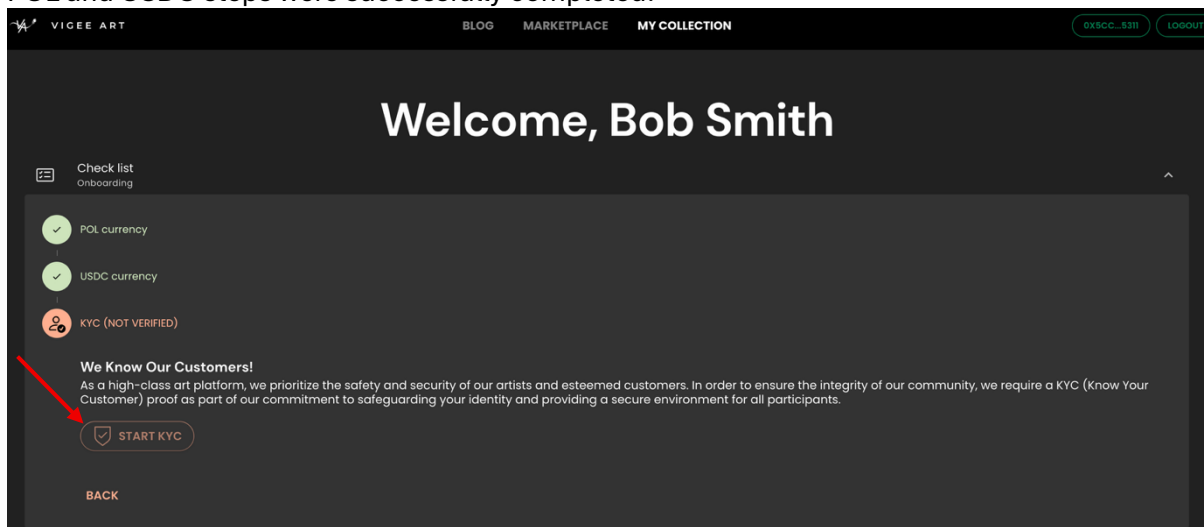
Now you will be greeted with a randomly generated name which you can change by clicking on the name and change it to your likings. Once done click outside of that field, logout and log back in which will then set the name to yours.



The next step is approving USDC as a currency and there is no need to Add USDC Token as this has already been done in our previous example. Click on approve USDC which will open another popup window where you have to approve. Don't worry, you will not have to go through all this again as it's a one-off process 😊 Once all this is done you can click on NEXT which will take you through the KYC part where you have to prove your identity to be able to trade on Vigee.art

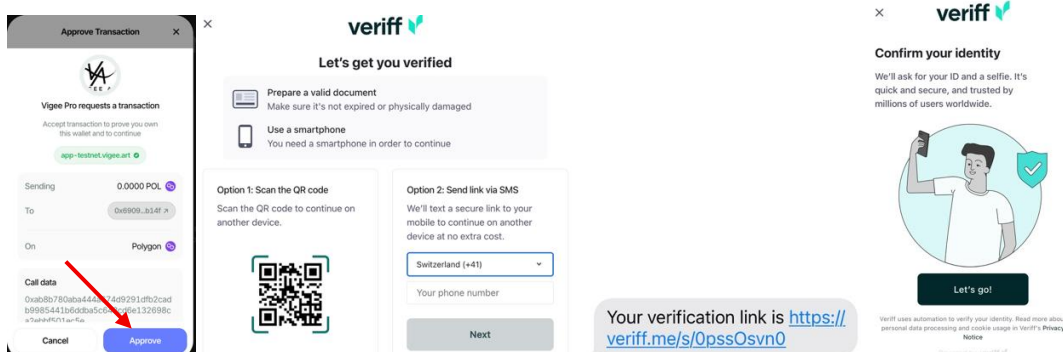


So now the screen looks a bit different since we previously logged out and the system recognized that the POL and USDC steps were successfully completed.

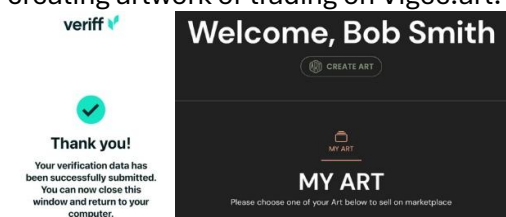


Now select START KYC which will open a popup prompting you to approve your acknowledgement. This will then initiate the process where you have to scan your ID and face to verify it's actually you.

Note: Veriff.com complies with data privacy compliance requirements and stores data in accordance with international standards.



Once completed, you will see a status of successful completion on your mobile allowing you to start creating artwork or trading on Vigee.art. Whichever you are: Artist, Supporter or Foundation.



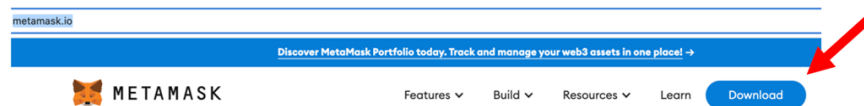
3. Connect Wallets

(Note: If you use Social Login, you can skip section 3 & 4)

There are of course many wallets but we decided to focus more on MetaMask being a very popular wallet in the Web 3 space. MetaMask has already created a comprehensive guide available at: <https://metamask.io/> describing how to setup a wallet. We recommend to use Google Chrome/Firefox as mentioned in the Basic Requirements section.

3.1. Wallet Installation

Visit <https://metamask.io/> and click the download button



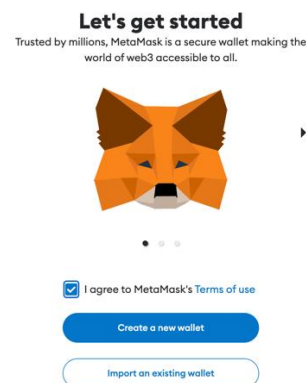
Thereafter click on install MetaMask for Chrome

Install MetaMask for Chrome

Then click the Add to Chrome button which will start the installation

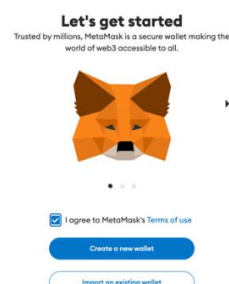


A couple of steps later should be greeted by the fox which will ask to agree to Terms of use and start the wallet creation or import (if you already have a MetaMask Wallet) process:



3.2. Wallet Creation

Assuming we are creating a wallet from scratch; we will have to click on Create a new wallet



Since the next step is optional, we will select no thanks

Help us improve MetaMask

We'd like to gather basic usage and diagnostics data to improve MetaMask. Know that we never sell the data you provide here. When we gather metrics, it will always be...

- ☒ **Private:** clicks and views on the app are stored, but other details (like your public address) are not.
- ☒ **General:** we temporarily use your IP address to detect a general location (like your country or region), but it's never stored.
- ☒ **Optional:** you decide if you want to share or delete your usage data via settings any time.

☐ We'll use this data to learn how you interact with our marketing communications. We may share relevant news (like product features).

We'll let you know if we decide to use this data for other purposes. You can review our Privacy Policy for more information. Remember, you can go to settings and opt out at any time.

[I agree](#)

[No thanks](#)

Now it's time to set a password for your MetaMask wallet which is just like the password you are using to access your bank account via the internet. Please ensure that you store this password in a safe place and don't lose it. **Once lost, you cannot recover access to your account anymore!**



Create password

This password will unlock your MetaMask wallet only on this device. MetaMask can not recover this password.

New password (8 characters min) [Show](#)

Password strength: **Strong**

Confirm password ✓

☒ I understand that MetaMask cannot recover this password for me. [Learn more](#)

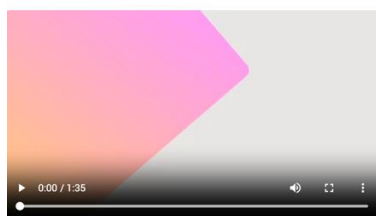
[Create a new wallet](#)

In the next step you can watch a video explaining what a secret recovery phrase is and we will choose the recommended option.



Secure your wallet

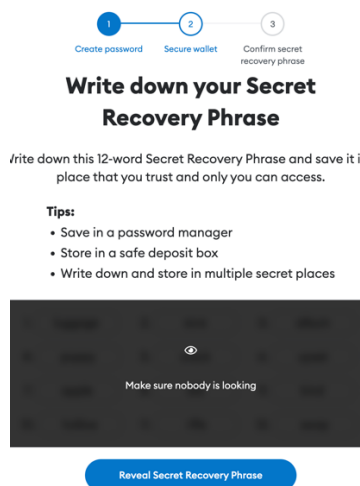
Before getting started, watch this short video to learn about your Secret Recovery Phrase and how to keep your wallet safe.



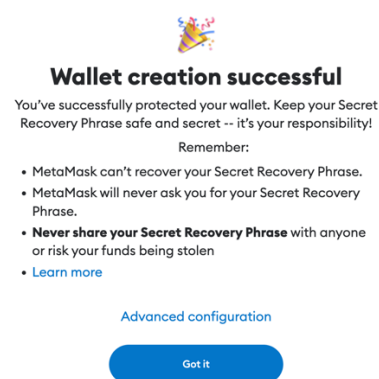
[Remind me later \(not recommended\)](#)

[Secure my wallet \(recommended\)](#)

Now we will have to click on reveal secret recovery phrase which can be used to recover funds if we lose access due to system failure or other potential reasons. If you want to learn more why you need such phrase you can check out the video.

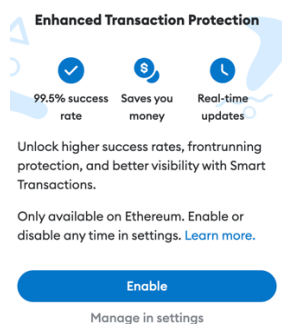


Write down this 12-word Secret Recovery Phrase and save it in a place that you trust and only you can access. Congratulations, once done you will get a message that the wallet creation was successful.

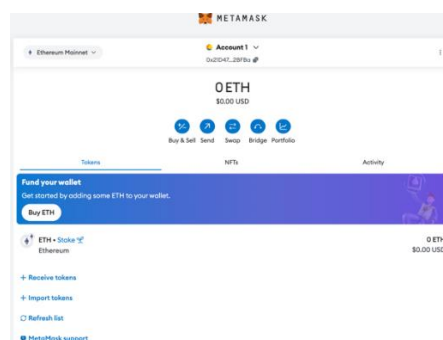


3.3. Wallet Configuration

Once logged in you will get a message where we click on enable.

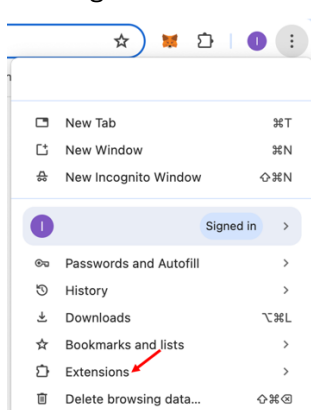


Thereafter we will be in our wallet.

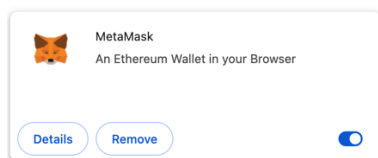


You can pin your wallet to the Chrome taskbar which is quite easy and convenient by going back into your extensions and make the icon visible.

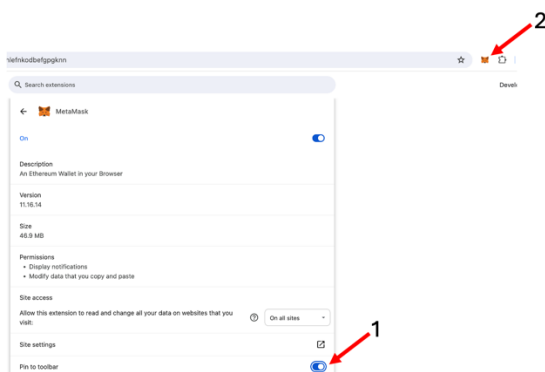
Klick again on customize and control Google Chrome



Then enter Extensions and select Manage Extensions followed by Details in the MetaMask extension.



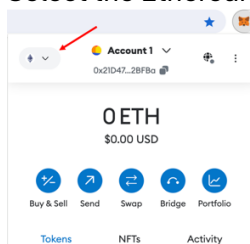
Thereafter you will select Pin to toolbar (1) and then see it in the toolbar (2).



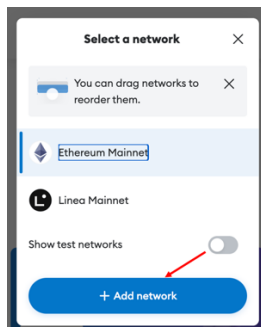
3.4. Changing Blockchain

Now we need to change from the by default selected Ethereum Blockchain to Polygon which is the Blockchain we are using due to efficiency and cost purposes. Fees are always paid in the background with Matic which is the native currency of Polygon being one of the most popular Web 3.0 platforms available. Buying and selling on the other hand is done with USDC, which we chose since it's a stable coin and will always be worth 1 US Dollar. The USDC is backed by some of the largest financial institutions in the world which provides additional assurance.

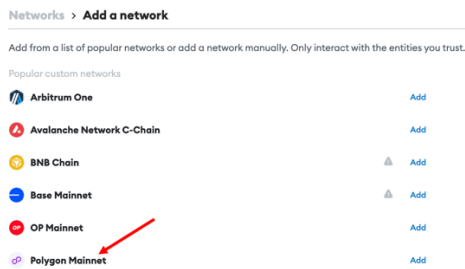
Select the Ethereum Icon drop down menu



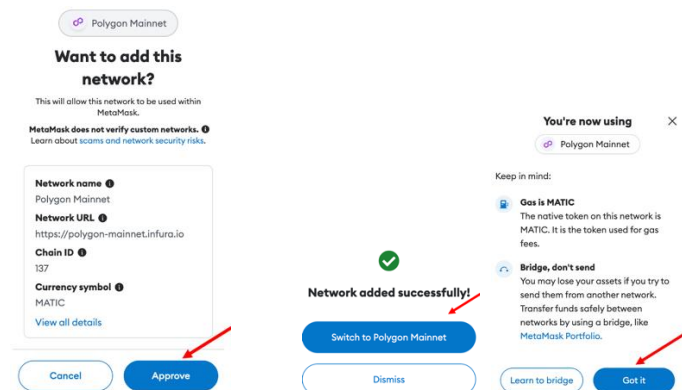
Klick on add Network to add the Polygon (Matic) network



Add the Polygon Mainnet

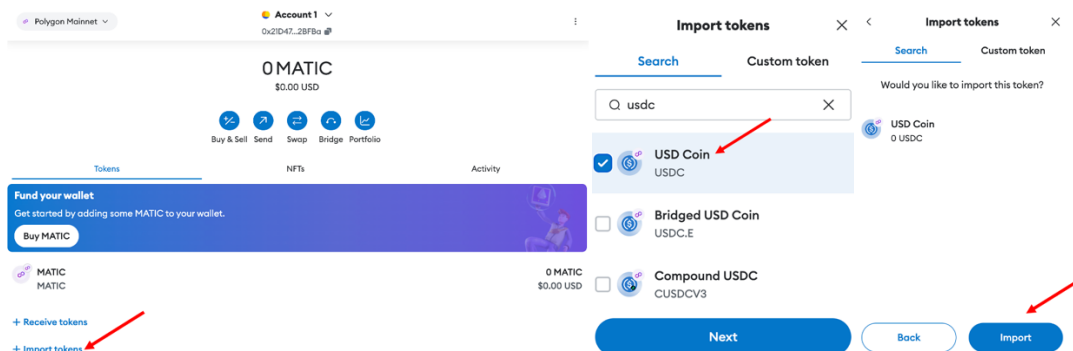


Next, a window will open where you klick on Approve > Switch to Polygon Mainnet > Klick on Got it in the next window. Remember, the Matic is to pay the fees just like buying petrol for a car.

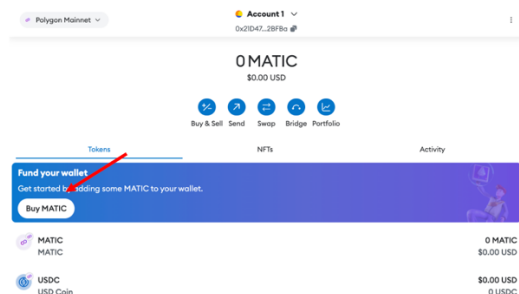


4. Adding/Buying/Selling Tokens to Wallet

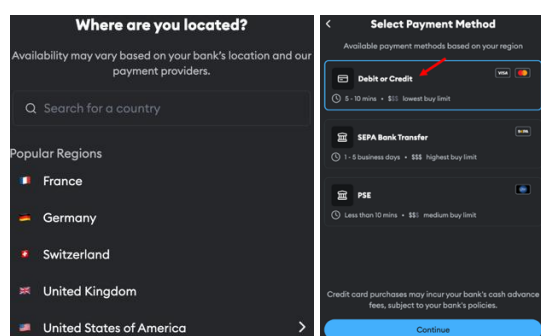
Now we need to add the USDC token to be able to get paid on future transactions. Select import token > Type USDC and select USD Coin and click next > Then import the USD Coin.



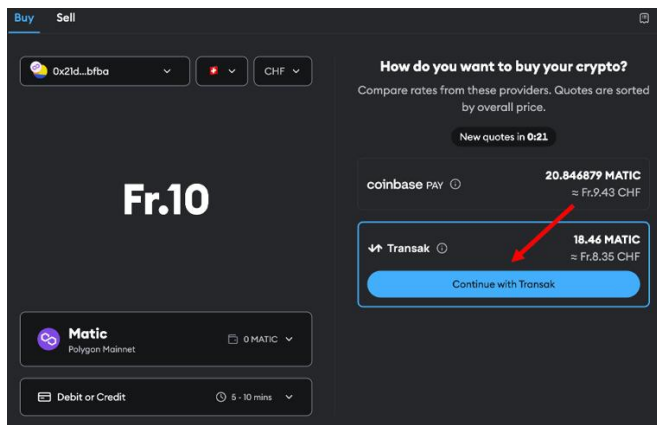
Now it's time to Buy MATIC by clicking on the indicated button which will take you into another menu.



The next window will either be a greeting window telling you that crypto is easy to buy or directly a list of countries where you can choose your country by typing it into the field. In this case we took Switzerland. Next is the Select Payment Method where we will select Debit or Credit for demo purposes. Of course, feel free to select any other available method in your country.

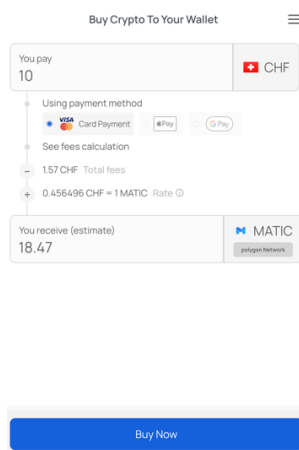


In the next screen we will buy 18.46 MATIC for CHF 10. Remember, there are On-Ramping (Buying Crypto) / Off-Ramping fees (Selling Crypto) (just like at your bank when you convert foreign currency). In this case we will Continue with Transak for the transaction.

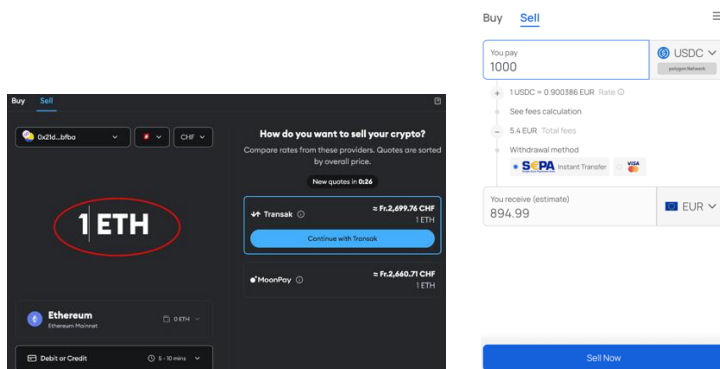


This will take us directly to Transak's website to top up your wallet (account). Remember, once you have done all this and have enough funds to buy/sell art and pay gas you will not have to go through it unless you run out of funds in your wallet. You will have to perform a KYC (Know your customer) just like when you open a bank account. Here you can follow the exact procedure to buy crypto, in this case MATIC.

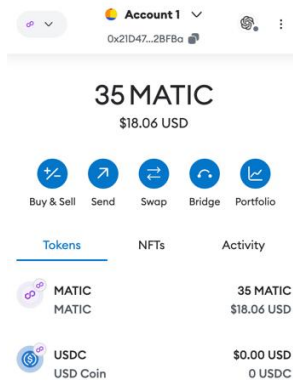
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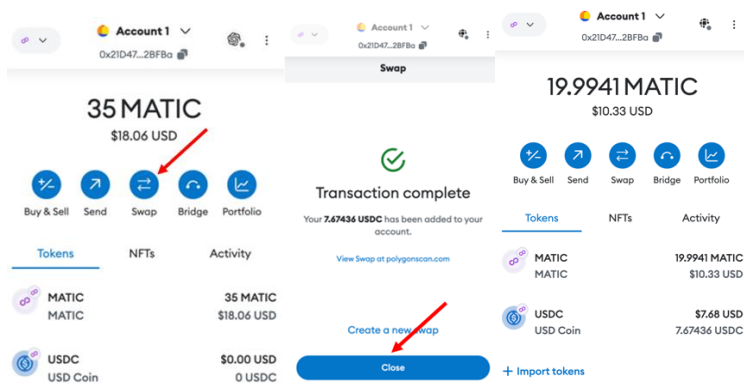
Note: If you want to sell Crypto going forward, you can do it directly in your MetaMask wallet but will have to swap your USDC tokens into ETHEREUM's ETH as there is no direct off-ramping support for Polygon USDC. Alternatively, you can also do this directly via Transak via this link: <https://global.transak.com/> and as illustrated in the below [Sell](#) Interface image:



Now let's go back to the buying scenario. Once you bought MATIC and USDC you will see a new balance in your wallet reflecting what you bought. In this case I bought 35 MATIC.



Next will be to swap some MATIC for USDC to be able to start onboarding and trading on Vigee, requiring at least 5 USDC's in your MetaMask Wallet to start your journey on Vigee. This can be done by clicking on Swap and follow the next steps till you see a Transaction complete window and clicking the Close button. Thereafter you will see the new balance of MATIC and USDC in your wallet.



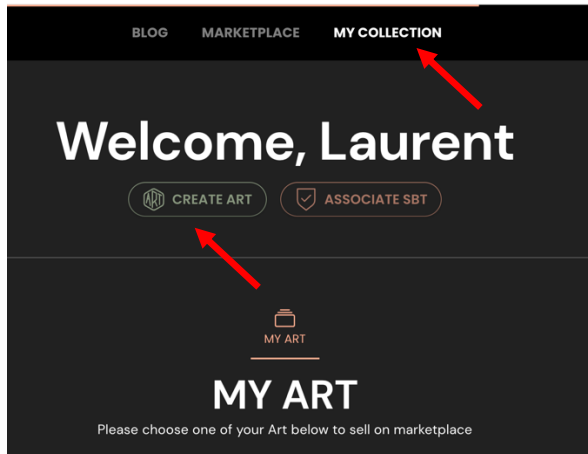
CONGRATULATIONS. You now have a crypto wallet with a balance of tokens and are ready to onboard with Vigee. 😊

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5. Tokenizing Artwork

In this section we will discuss how artists can tokenize (also called minting sometimes) their artwork. Essentially, it means to immutably protect their artwork with blockchain based technology. In this process, the artist specifies the artwork to be immutably registered and referenced to their wallet but also defines the copyright terms which are associated with the asset. For example, allowing or prohibiting commercial usage of an asset.

First of all, you would again connect with your wallet as described in the previous section. Then you would change to the MY COLLECTION section and klick on CREATE ART.



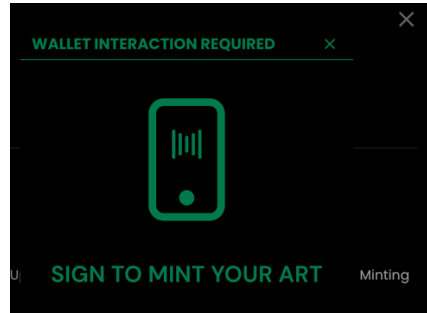
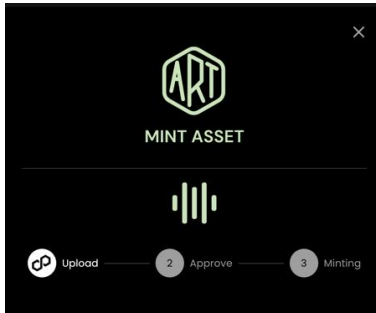
Thereafter you will be led to a section to create a new tokenization. First fill in the name of the asset, upload the file from your PC/Laptop and select if you allow adaptations to your artwork. You can always click on the question mark for more detailed information and also visit the [Creative Commons](#) site for more detailed information on licence types which we use. Thereafter you will have to choose a unique identifier for your token units which should be short and to your likings. It could be something like XYZ123. The Type filed is optional and just enforces further restrictive copyright measures which can also be selected. In this case we will leave it blank.

Finally, we would choose if we allow commercial use by the buyer or not and define the Royalties which is what the artist will receive, every time the artwork changes hands. You select the percentage on the slider which is limited to 10%. Otherwise, it will make the artwork unattractive with high royalties for a buyer wanting to resell the artwork and must give away a large percentage to the artists. 10% is a reasonable maximum of royalties as such. In the description field you can describe the artwork to be tokenized.

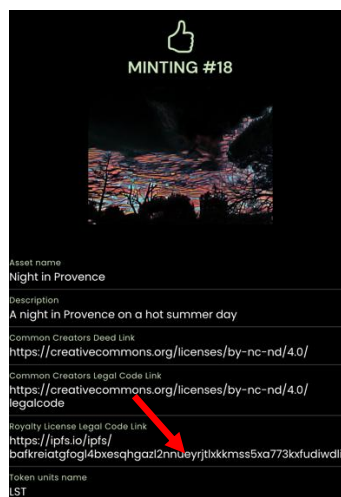
When you are all done you can click CREATE NOW which will kick-off a sequence to tokenize your asset and associate your new NFT with your wallet.



First the artwork will be Uploaded to the [IPFS](#) (Immutable Blockchain Filesystem) followed by approving the minor charges for the tokenization of the artwork. Make sure that you click on the approval button in your wallet during this process or the process will fail!

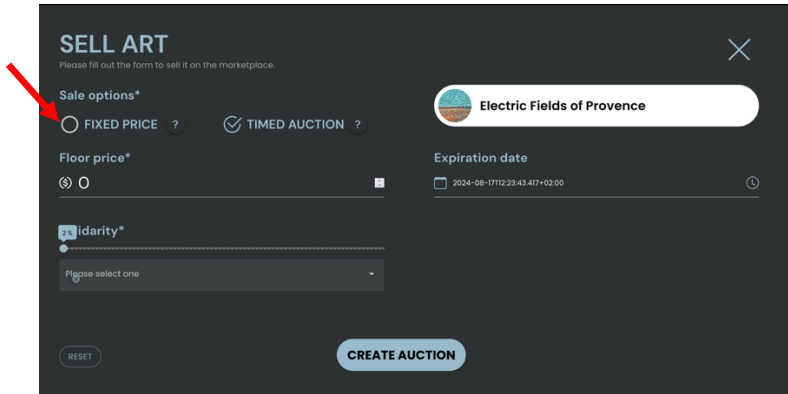


At the end of the process the NFT will be associated with your wallet with you being the owner. By clicking on Add NFT. Thereafter a window will open which highlights all the details and shows a preview of your tokenized artwork. You can close this window which concludes this part of guidance.



6. Selling Artwork

To sell artwork you can choose between setting a fixed price or timed auction. For the FIXED PRICE you would select the circle and set the price and for the TIMED AUCTION you would have to set a floor price which is the minimum which you are expecting as an artist for the artwork to be sold. Thereafter you will have to set the Expiration date of the auction which means when the auction should actually expire. On the Solidarity bar you can choose the percentage of Solidarity you are prepared to donate to a charity once the artwork is selling. Finally, you can choose a charity from the drop down menu to which you would want your solidarity donation to go to. Confirm by clicking on the CREATE AUCTION or CREATE LISTING button. Just click again through the sequence of wallet transaction approvals and wait for it to be completed and you will see your artwork listed on the marketplace.



SELL ART
Please fill out the form to sell it on the marketplace

Sale options*

☐ FIXED PRICE ? ☒ TIMED AUCTION ?

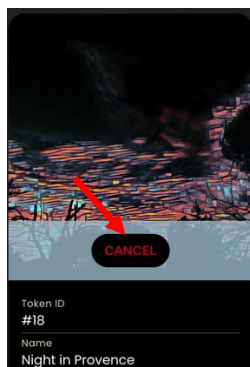
Floor price*
\$ 0

Expiration date
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Solidarity*
Please select one

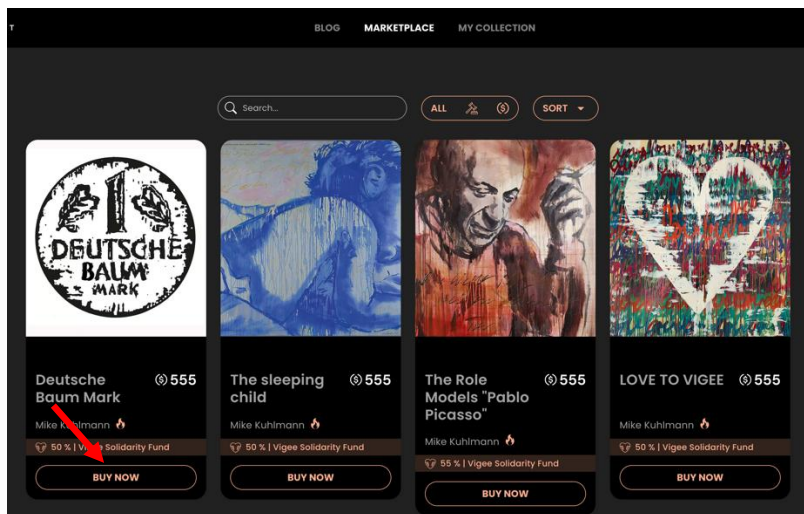
RESET CREATE AUCTION

Note: In the event that you listed an item by accident you can always cancel the sale of the artwork and will then be taken of the marketplace. If it is an auction vs. and instant sale it will only be possible to do this on the asset has expired from the auction. It would not be fair to cancel an asset during an auction and someone is bidding on it. You can always contact us. To discuss further: support@vigeo.art



7. Buying Artwork

Buying artwork is done via the marketplace by clicking on buy now and go again through the approval steps off transactions within your wallet which will automatically open. Thereafter you will see the artwork in your MYCOLLECTION section.



If you have any trouble with this guide, you can contact us via support@vigeer.art