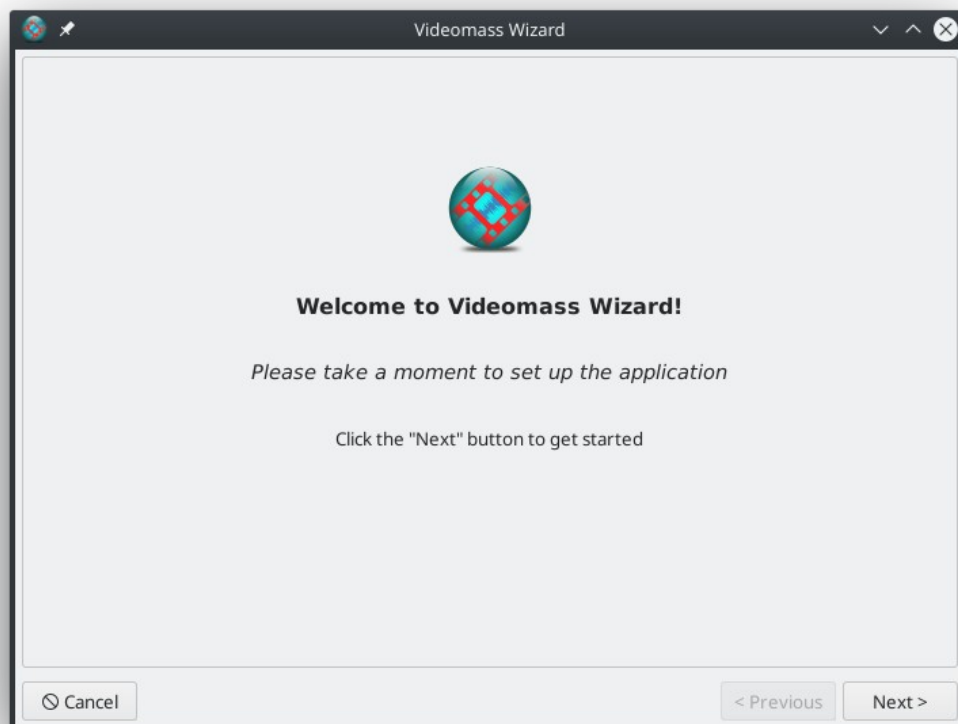


Videomass

Startup and Setting up

When you start Videomass for the first time, you will be asked to choose some settings through the wizard.



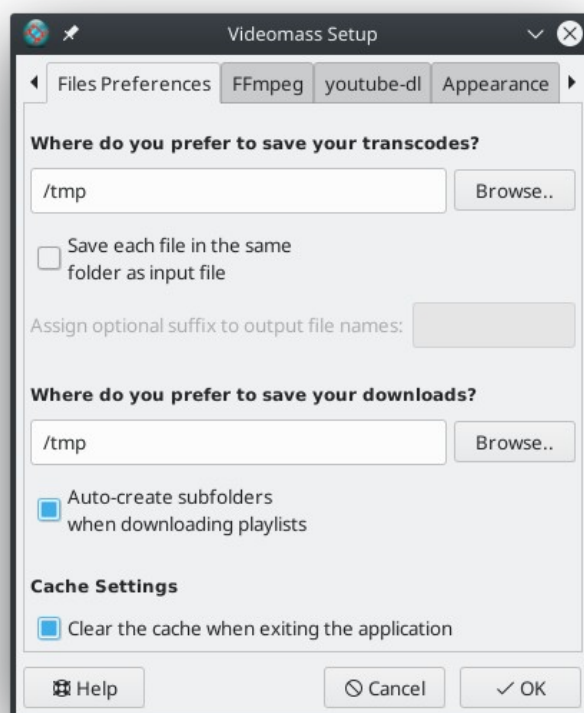
All settings can be changed later, if you want, via the Setup dialog (see below).

Setting up

Note: To take effect, the program must always be restarted.

File Preferences:

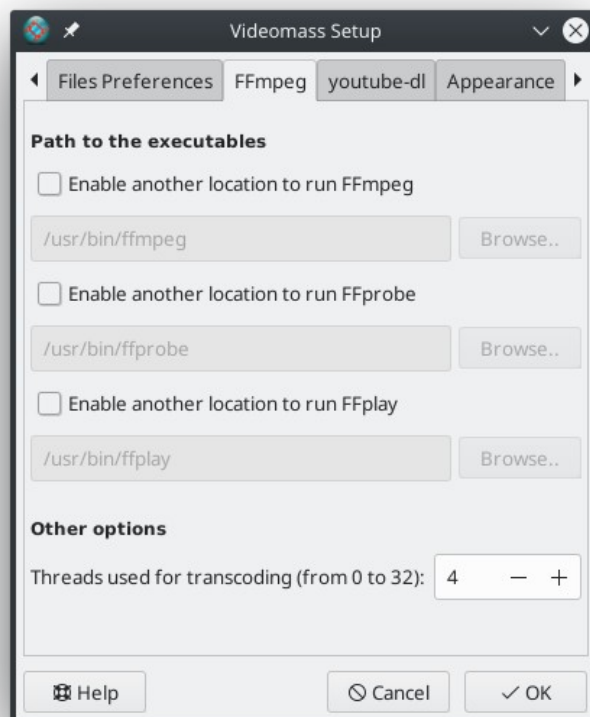
The file preferences table of the Setup dialog makes it possible to set the file destination and downloads independently and persistently (by default, files and downloads are saved to the user's folder). Furthermore, you can customize some useful behaviors, such as saving each file to the same source folder during conversions/transcoding processes, assigning an optional suffix to the file name, auto-creating sub-folders during playlist downloads.



FFmpeg:

The FFmpeg table, mainly allows you to customize the paths of FFmpeg executables (binaries) and to set the threads used for some transcodings.

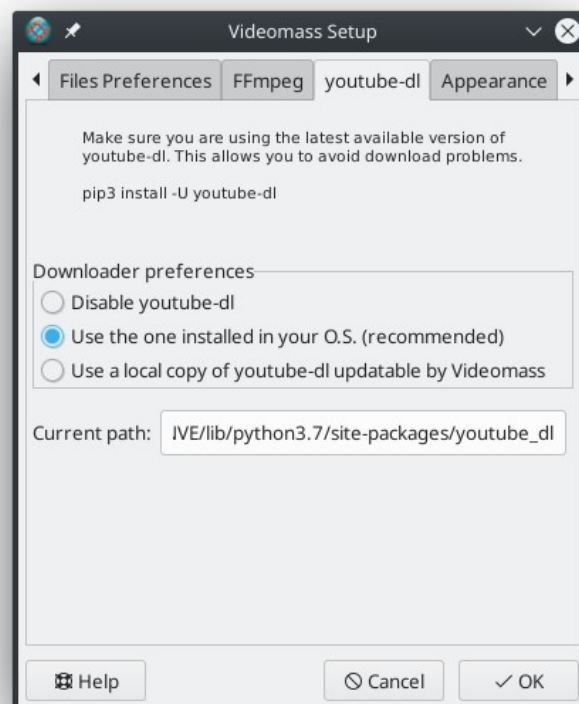
It is known among users to compile particular versions of FFmpeg by themselves, in order to enable particular features or to optimize their performance; other users prefer to have regularly distributed copies of FFmpeg and use them locally rather than installing them on the operating system. For this purpose, this setting table can be very useful.



Youtube-dl:

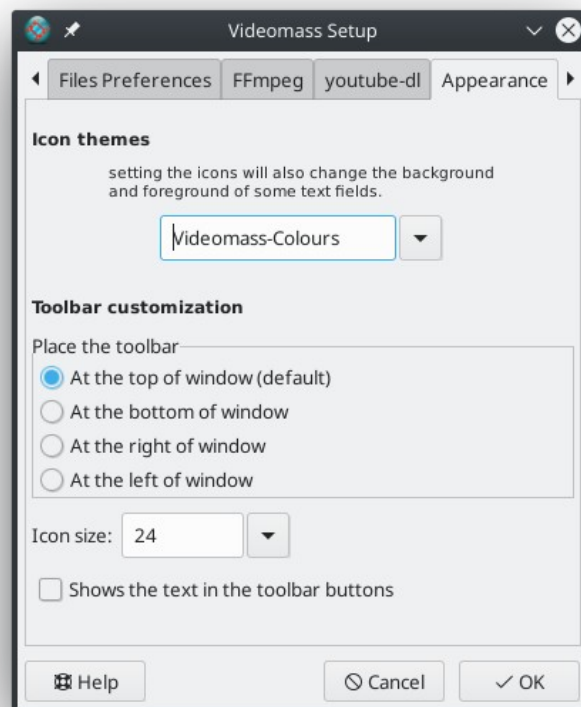
The youtube-dl table allows you to customize the use of youtube-dl. As already mentioned in the pdf *User interface overview*, Videomass is able to interface with youtube-dl in two different ways: through a [copy of the executable](#) (youtube-dl or youtube-dl.exe for Windows), downloaded locally from Videomass, and through the use of the library provided by the [Python package](#), which must be installed on your operating system and managed by your package manager (recommended).

Since using one or the other way the result does not change, we can say that the only difference is practical: if you use the executable locally, you can manage the installation and updates directly with Videomass; if you use the library installed on your operating system, you will have to manage youtube-dl installation and updates yourself.



Appearance:

Here you can manage icon theme settings and toolbar customization. Videomass has icons for light, dark and colored themes, for an appropriate integration with your desktop.



FFmpeg logging levels:

This table is for advanced use of FFmpeg's log level management. By log we mean the text output generated during the sub-processes, which provides information on the output status of the background commands used by Videomass in the various tasks. The effect of changing these levels concerns different behaviors in the generation of the output itself.

While it is not normally recommended to change these levels, more advanced users may find some benefit.

