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## Howto Install pine mail client under Linux

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**Q.** I am using CentOS Linux. I would like to install pine to read email from shell prompt itself? I'm getting an error which read as follows:

```
# yum install pine
Setting up Install Process
Setting up repositories
Reading repository metadata in from local files
Excluding Packages in global exclude list
Finished
Parsing package install arguments
No Match for argument: pine
Nothing to do
```

How do I install pine?

**A.:** Pine is a powerful freeware text-based e-mail client. It is a program for Internet News & Email - is a tool for reading, sending, and managing electronic messages. Pine was developed by Computing & Communications at the University of Washington.

Originally written for inexperienced users, Pine's basic features are generally very easy to use.

The license prohibits the distribution of binaries built from patched source code, which poses a problem for binary distributions. However, you can download pine RPM or .DEB file to install pine w/o a problem.

## CentOS / Redhat / Fedora Core Linux pine installation instructions

First install LDAP support :

```
# yum install libldap.so.2
```

Now install pine. Grab RPM file from official FTP site:

```
# wget ftp://ftp.cac.washington.edu/pine/pine-4.64-1.i386.rpm
```

Install rpm file:

```
# rpm -ivh pine-4.64-1.i386.rpm
```

## Debian / Ubuntu Linux pine installation instructions

Grab pine .deb file from official FTP site:

```
$ wget ftp://ftp.cac.washington.edu/pine/pine_4.64_i386.deb
```

Next, install .deb file:

```
$ sudo dpkg -i pine_4.64_i386.deb
```

OR

```
# dpkg -i pine_4.64_i386.deb
```

## How do I start pine mail client?

Type the following command:

```
$ pine
```

**Further readings:**

- Read man page of pine (type **man pine**)
- [Official Pine mail client website](#) <sup>[2]</sup>

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