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Howto install thunderbird-2.0.0.0.tar.gz in Linux

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Q. I would like to install latest and greatest Mozilla thunderbird mail client under Linux.

How do I download and install the same to read emails?

A. Mozilla's Thunderbird 2 email application is more powerful than ever. Thunderbird 2 features many new enhancements to help you better manage your unruly inbox, and stay informed. Thunderbird 2 scales to the most sophisticated organizational needs while making it easy to find what you need. It is the best mail/news client with RSS and integrated spam filter support.

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Download Thunderbird to your Linux desktop

=> Visit this site to download Thunderbird [2]

Thunderbird 2.0 installation - Just untar file and install it

Let us say you would like to install thunderbird in your own home directory called /home/jerry/. Open X terminal and type following command.

Copy your downloaded file to /home/tom/ and untar it:

```
$ cp /home/tom/Desktop/thunderbird-2.0.0.0.tar.gz .
$ tar -zxvf thunderbird-2.0.0.0.tar.gz
```

Now software was installed. To start Thunderbird mail client, enter:

```
$ cd thunderbird
$ ./thunderbird
```

How do I install thunderbird for everyone?

Install thunderbird in /opt directory. Login as root user:

```
# cd /opt
# mkdir thunderbird
# cd thunderbird
# cp /home/tom/Desktop/thunderbird-2.0.0.0.tar.gz .
# tar -zxvf thunderbird-2.0.0.0.tar.gz
```

To start thunderbird, enter:

```
$ /opt/thunderbird/thunderbird &
```

How do I create thunderbird icon on my desktop?

Right click on your Linux desktop
Select Create Launcher
Fill the details as follows:

- Set name to : Thunderbird
- Set command to : /opt/thunderbird/thunderbird
- Set comment to : My Email Client
- Hit OK to create an ICON

A note about Ubuntu / Debian Linux user

If you are using Ubuntu / Debian Linux, open terminal and type the following command to install thunderbird:

```
$ sudo apt-get update
$ sudo apt-get install thunderbird
```

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