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## How can I play mpegs on Linux?

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Q. I have few MPEGS files (downloaded from internet) and I'd like to play them on my Debian Linux system? How can I play mpegs on Linux?

A. To run mpegs on Linux you need players such as xine, mplayer, and others. You can download the same from internet and install them. Many distro installs them by default. Following steps explains installations.



[1]

## **Debian or Ubuntu Linux Xine installation**

Type the following command at shell prompt:

```
$ sudo aptitude install xine-ui libxine-extracodecs
```

## **Debian or Ubuntu Linux Mplayer installation**

Type the following command:

```
$ sudo aptitude install xine-ui libxine-extracodecs
$ sudo aptitude install mozilla-mplayer
```

However I recommend you to use <u>automatix</u> [2], if you are new to Linux.

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