## --VOLDY RETARD GUIDE--

He who shall not be named

The definitive Stable Diffusion experience  $^{\mathsf{m}}$ 

(Special thanks to all anons who contributed)

---FEATURE SHOWCASE & HOWTO---

Notable: GUI, Inpainting/Outpainting, Live generation preview, Tiling, Upscaling, <4gb VRAM support, Negative prompts, CLIP (Basic) CPU-only guide available Here

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#### Minimum requirements:

- -16gb ram
- -Nvidia Maxwell-architecture or newer GPU with at least 2gb vram
- -Linux or Windows 7/8/10+
- -20gb disk space

### --GUIDE--

#### Step 1: Install Git (page)

-When installing, make sure to select the Windows Explorer integration > Git Bash

#### **Step 2:** Clone the WebUI repo to your desired location:

- -Right-click and select 'Git Bash here'
- -Enter git clone https://github.com/AUTOMATIC1111/stable-diffusion-webui

(Note: to **update**, all you need to do is is type **git pull** within the newly made webui folder)

### **Step 3:** Download the 1.4 Al model from huggingface (requires signup) or **HERE**

-(torrent magnet)

(Alternate) 1.4 Waifu model trained on an additional 56k Danbooru images HERE (mirror)

-(torrent magnet)

(Note: Several GB larger than normal model, see instructions below for pruning) comparison

**Step 4:** Rename your .ckpt file to "model.ckpt", and place it in the /stable-diffusion-webui folder

#### **Step 5: Install Python 3.10.6** (Windows 7 ver) (page)

Make sure to choose "add to PATH" when installing

#### Step 6 (Optional):

This reduces VRAM, and allows you to generate at larger resolutions or batch sizes for a <10% loss in raw generation speed (For me, singular results were significantly slower, but generating with a batch size of 4 made each result **25% faster** on average)

- -Edit webui-user.bat
- -Change COMMANDLINE\_ARGS= to COMMANDLINE\_ARGS=--medvram --opt-split-attention

**Step 7:** Run webui-user.bat from your File Explorer. Run it as normal user, **not** as administrator.

• Wait patiently while it installs dependencies and does a first time run. It may seem "stuck" but it isn't. It may take up to 10-15 minutes.

#### **Usage**

- Open webui-user.bat
- After loading the model, it should give you a LAN address such as '127.0.0.1:7860'
- Enter the address into your browser to enter the GUI environment Tip: Hover your mouse over UI elements for tooltips about what they do
- To exit, close the CMD window

## -- RUNNING ON 4GB (And under!) --

These parameters are also useful for regular users who want to make larger images or batch sizes! It is possible to drastically reduce VRAM usage with **some modifications**:

- Step 1: Edit webui-user.bat
- **Step 2:** After **COMMANDLINE\_ARGS=** , enter your desired parameters: **Example: COMMANDLINE\_ARGS=--medvram --opt-split-attention**
- If you have 4GB VRAM and want to make 512x512 (or maybe up to 640x640) images, use --medvram.
- If you have 4GB VRAM and want to make larger images, or you get an out of memory error with --medvram, use --medvram --opt-split-attention instead.
- If you have 4GB VRAM and you *still* get an out of memory error, use --lowvram --always-batch-cond-uncond --opt-split-attention instead
- If you have 2GB VRAM,
   use --lowvram --opt-split-attention.

#### -Otherwise, do not use any of these (Increases generation time)-

#### **NOTES:**

- If you get a **green/black screen** instead of generated pictures, you have a card that doesn't support half precision floating point numbers (known problem on 16xx cards):
  - You must use --precision full --no-half in addition to other flags, and the model will take much more space in VRAM
- Make sure to **disable** hardware acceleration in your browser and close anything which might be occupying VRAM if you are getting out-of-memory errors, and possibly remove GFPGAN (if you have it)

## --ALTERNATE GUIDE (Conda)--

(You can try this method if the traditional install isn't working)

- Follow Steps 1-4 on the main guide above
- Download Miniconda HERE. Download Miniconda 3
- Install Miniconda in the default location. Install for **all users**.

  Uncheck "Register Miniconda as the system Python 3.9" unless you want to
- Open Anaconda Prompt (miniconda3)
- In Miniconda, navigate to the /stable-diffusion-webui folder wherever you downloaded using "cd" to jump folders. (Or just type "cd" followed by a space, and then *drag the folder into* the Anaconda prompt.)
- Type the following commands to make an environment and install the necessary dependencies:
- conda create --name qwe
   (You can name it whatever you want instead of qwe)
- conda activate qwe
- conda install python
- conda install git
- webui-user.bat

(Note: it may seem like it's stuck on "Installing torch" in the beginning. This is normal and should take 10-15 minutes) It should now be ready to use

- Navigate to /stable-diffusion-webui in Miniconda
- Type conda activate qwe
   (You will need to type 'conda activate qwe' every time you wish to run webui)
- Type webui-user.bat
- After loading the model it should give you a LAN address such as '127.0.0.1:7860' Enter the address into your browser to enter the GUI environment

#### --LINKS--

- Textual Inversion guide (Allows you to teach Stable Diffusion to understand new concepts!)
- Artist list with pictures
- Check out the wiki https://wiki.installgentoo.com/wiki/Stable\_Diffusion
- Inpainting Tips
- Anon's guide for anime vectors (Waifu Diffusion)
- Remacri Upscaler(Landscapes) Lollypop Upscaler(Anthropomorphic Figures)
- Other Upscaler Models
   (Place upscaler models in ESRGAN folder)
- Trinart Alternate .ckpt (Pixiv-esque illustrations, not as cohesive as waifu diffusion)
- Build great aesthetic prompts using the prompt builder
- Japanese keywords: https://chara-zokusei.jp/question\_list
- Use Darkreader to change your Gradio theme to dark mode
- Informal Training guide (30gb vram+)
- Python for Windows 7
- Stable diffusion WebUI repo
- Waifu Diffusion huggingface page

#### -- TROUBLESHOOTING --

- Make sure your folder paths do **not have spaces**
- If you are getting a **winerror** when installing, or you feel you broke something and want to reinstall from scratch, delete these directories: venv, repositories and try again
- Make sure you have the latest CUDA toolkit and GPU drivers you can run
- if your version of Python is not in PATH (or if another version is) create or modify webui.settings.bat in /stable-diffusion-webui folder add the line set PYTHON=python to say the full path to your python executable: set PYTHON=B:\soft\Python310\python.exe You can do this for python, but not for git.
- The installer creates a python virtual environment, so none of installed modules will affect your system installation of python if you had one prior to installing this.
- To prevent the creation of virtual environment and use your system python, edit webui.bat replacing set <a href="VENV\_DIR=venv">VENV\_DIR=venv</a> with <a href="set">set</a>
- webui.bat installs requirements from files requirements\_versions.txt, which lists versions for modules specifically compatible with Python 3.10.6.
  - If you choose to install for a different version of python, editing webui.bat to have set REQS\_FILE=requirements.txt instead of set REQS\_FILE=requirements\_versions.txt may help (but I still reccomend you to just use the recommended version of python).
- If you get a **green/black** output instead of generated pictures, you have a card that doesn't support half precision floating point numbers (known problem on 16xx cards):
  - -edit webui-user.bat
  - -Modify line 6 to **COMMANDLINE\_ARGS=--precision full --no-half** along with any other flags you wish to add Unfortunately, the model will take much more space in VRAM-
  - So it is recommended to use flags like --medvram in combination with it
- If your output is a jumbled rainbow mess your image resolution is set TOO LOW
- Having too high of a CFG level will also introduce color distortion, your CFG should be between 5-15
- On older systems, you may have to change cudatoolkit=11.3 to cudatoolkit=9.0
- Make sure your installation is on the C: drive
- This guide is designed for NVIDIA GPUs *only*, as stable diffusion requires cuda cores. AMD users should try THIS GUIDE

#### --TIPS--

- Even though you might be able to generate larger, **512x512** is the optimal resolution for accurate results, as the model was trained on that resolution
  - Typically it is better to upscale a 512x image than render larger
- The Waifu model and normal .ckpt have their own pros and cons; Non-anime promps done with the waifu .ckpt will be biased toward anime stylization, making realistic faces and people more difficult
- The outpainting script requires HIGH DENOISING to work properly (eg. 0.9) Outpainting benefits from very **high steps**
- Use ((( ))) around keywords to increase their strength and [[[ ]]] to decrease their strength
- Unlike other samplers, **k\_euler\_a** can generate high quality results from low steps. Try it with 10-25 instead of 50
- Save prompt as style allows you to save a prompt as an easily selectable output. A box to select will appear to the left of Roll after you save your first style, allowing you to make a selection. Prompts can be deleted by accessing styles.csv (This can be helpful if you find a combination that generations really good images and want to repeatedly use it with varied subjects.)
- You can drag your favorite result from the output tab on the right back into img2img for further iteration
- The **k\_euler\_a** and **k\_dpm\_2\_a** samplers give vastly different, more intricate results from the same seed & prompt However their results are not consistent throughout steps. Other samplers provide more predictable, linear refinement with more steps
- The seed for each generated result is in the output filename if you want to revisit it
- Using the same keywords as a generated image in img2img produces interesting variants
- It's recommended to have your prompts be at least 512 pixels in *one* dimension, or a 384x384 square at the smallest Anything smaller will have heavy distortion
- CLIP interrogator takes up a lot of space (8gb), you might not want to select it if you don't plan on using it frequently
- Try Low strength (0.3-0.4) + High CFG in img2img for interesting outputs
- You can use Japanese Unicode characters in prompts

## --HOWTO EXTRAS--

#### -----Launching Different Models-----

If you have multiple models installed and you want to switch between them conveniently, you can make another .bat

- Make a copy of webui-user.bat and name it whatever you want
- After COMMANDLINE\_ARGS=, add --ckpt followed by the desired model to your launch parameters:
   eg: COMMANDLINE\_ARGS=--ckpt wd-v1-2-full-emma.ckpt

#### -----Changing UI Defaults-----

After running once, a ui-config.json file appears in the webui directory:

Edit values to your liking and the next time you launch the program they will be applied.

#### ----Running Online or through LAN-----

Edit webui-user.bat and add the necessary parameters after **COMMANDLINE\_ARGS=**, along with any existing parameters you have

- Use --share option to run online. You will get a xxx.app.gradio link. This is the intended way to use the program in collabs.
- Use --listen to make the server listen to network connections. This will allow computers on your **local network** to access the UI, and if you configure port forwarding, also computers on the internet.
- Use --port xxxx to make the server listen on a specific port, xxxx being the wanted port. Remember that all ports below 1024 needs root/admin rights, for this reason it is advised to use a port above 1024. Defaults to port 7860 if available.
- Use --share --gradio-auth username:password to add shared authentication
   Optionally, you can provide multiple sets of usernames and passwords separated by commas (user1:pw1, user2:pw2).

#### ----Auto-update----

**Note:** This only applies to those who used **git clone** to install the repo, and not those who used the .zip

You can set your script to automatically update by editing webui-user.bat

Add git pull one line above call webui.bat

Save

#### -----Setting Different Output Location-----

-Copy the text Here and save it as output.bat, Move it to wherever you want your images to output to.

Run it, and it will create the appropriate sub-folders. You can delete the .bat after this is complete.

-Go to the Settings tab of the UI and assign your new file locations accordingly. Once you've assigned the locations, make sure to hit **Apply Settings** 

It is also recommended to enable the following setting if you want your outputs to be organized

-[x] When writing images/grids, create a directory with name derived from the prompt



GFPGAN is used for correcting realistic faces, it was replaced with CodeFormer face correction which comes with the main install and is generally better.

To install GFPGAN, download and place GFPGANv1.3.pth into the main webUI directory

#### -----Enabling Negative Prompts-----

Negative prompts are a powerful tool to remove unwanted features and elements from your generations **They should be enabled by default**, but if not:

- Edit webui-user.bat
- After COMMANDLINE\_ARGS=, add --show-negative-prompt to your launch parameters: COMMANDLINE\_ARGS=--show-negative-prompt

#### -- PRUNING WAIFU .CKPT--

The Waifu diffusion model is normally 7gb due to redundant training data, but it can be reduced to 3.6gb without any loss of quality, reducing ram usage and loading time drastically (The original model is not lost, a new pruned copy is made)

NOTE: You should only do this after running webui-user.bat at least once

- Save https://raw.githubusercontent.com/harubaru/waifu-diffusion/main/scripts/prune.py as prune.py
   Save as 'all files'
- Place it in your main /stable-diffusion-webui folder
- Edit the last line in prune.py to the name of your waifu-diffusion ckpt: prune\_it('wd-v1-2-full-emma.ckpt') and save
- Copy and save the script for launching prune.py HERE
   Save it as prune.bat in your main /stable-diffusion-webui folder
   Save as 'all files'
   (This loads venv and torch dependencies into memory before running prune.py)
- Run prune.bat
  - The pruning process may take a few minutes

    Afterward, you should now have a pruned .ckpt alongside your normal one

#### --W7 HELP--

On Windows 7, you may get "api-ms-win-core-path-l1-1-0.dll is missing" as an error when trying to follow this guide.

This is because many modern programs and frameworks require a system file only present in newer versions of Windows.

Luckily, it has been backported to be compatible with W7, and can be downloaded HERE (Github page)

Upzip and copy the **x86** .dll into <a href="C:\Windows\SysW0W64">C:\Windows\SysW0W64</a> and the **x64** .dll into <a href="C:\Windows\System32">C:\Windows\System32</a> and reboot, then you should be good to go

If you do not get that error, then you do not need to do this.

## --X/Y Plot--

Although most features are relatively self explanatory to use, the X/Y plot script can be particularly obtuse to understand, notably the "S/R" option

- -The S/R prompt Searches the whole prompt for the first entry in the the comma separated values field and Replaces all occurrences of the first word with with one entry from the values Prompt S/R field on every iteration.
- -The iterations of course also happen for every value of the other type field.
- -The keyword will *also* be iterated, so using something like "red, white, blue" will result in issues when your prompt also features "reddit gayfurs".

## --MISC--

#### --OLD MODEL--

The original v1.3 leaked model from June can be downloaded here:

https://drinkordiecdn.lol/sd-v1-3-full-ema.ckpt

Backup Download: https://download1980.mediafire.com/3nu6nlhy92ag/wnlyj8vikn2kpzn/sd-v1-3-full-ema.ckpt

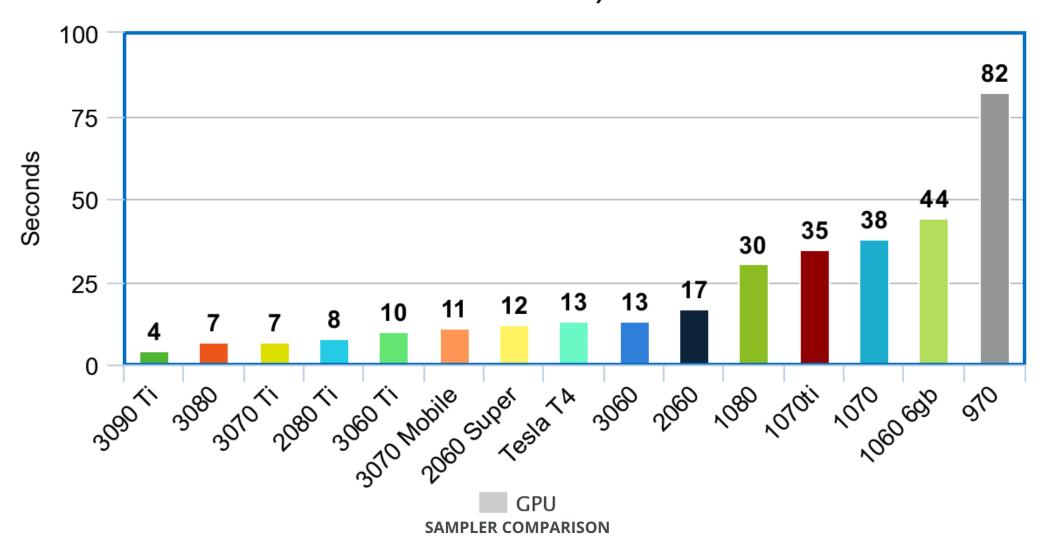
Torrent Magnet: https://rentry.co/6gocs

#### --OLD GUIDE--

Voldy guide pre-Table of Contents (9/15) https://rentry.org/voldyold
The original hlky guide (replaced as of 9/8/22) is here: https://rentry.org/GUltard
Japanese hlky guide https://news.livedoor.com/article/detail/22794512/
The original guide (replaced as of 8/25/22) is here: https://rentry.org/kretard

**APPROXIMATE RENDER TIME BY GPU (50 steps)** 

# Time spent generating 512x512 sample (Stable Diffusion)



## Sampler vs. Steps (Scale = 15.0, W = 512, H = 512) steps = 4 steps = 8 steps = 16 steps = 2 steps = 32 steps = 64 k\_euler\_a k\_euler k\_lms plms ddim k\_heun k\_dpm\_2 k\_dpm\_2\_a