

# Windows 10+

- **Minimum Requirements**

- Windows 10 version 2004 (Build 19041 and higher)
- Quad-core CPU running at 2.0 GHz+
- 8 GiB of RAM

- **Recommended**

- Windows 11
- 6th Gen Intel® Core CPU or later OR AMD Ryzen™ 1000-series or later
- 16 GiB of RAM

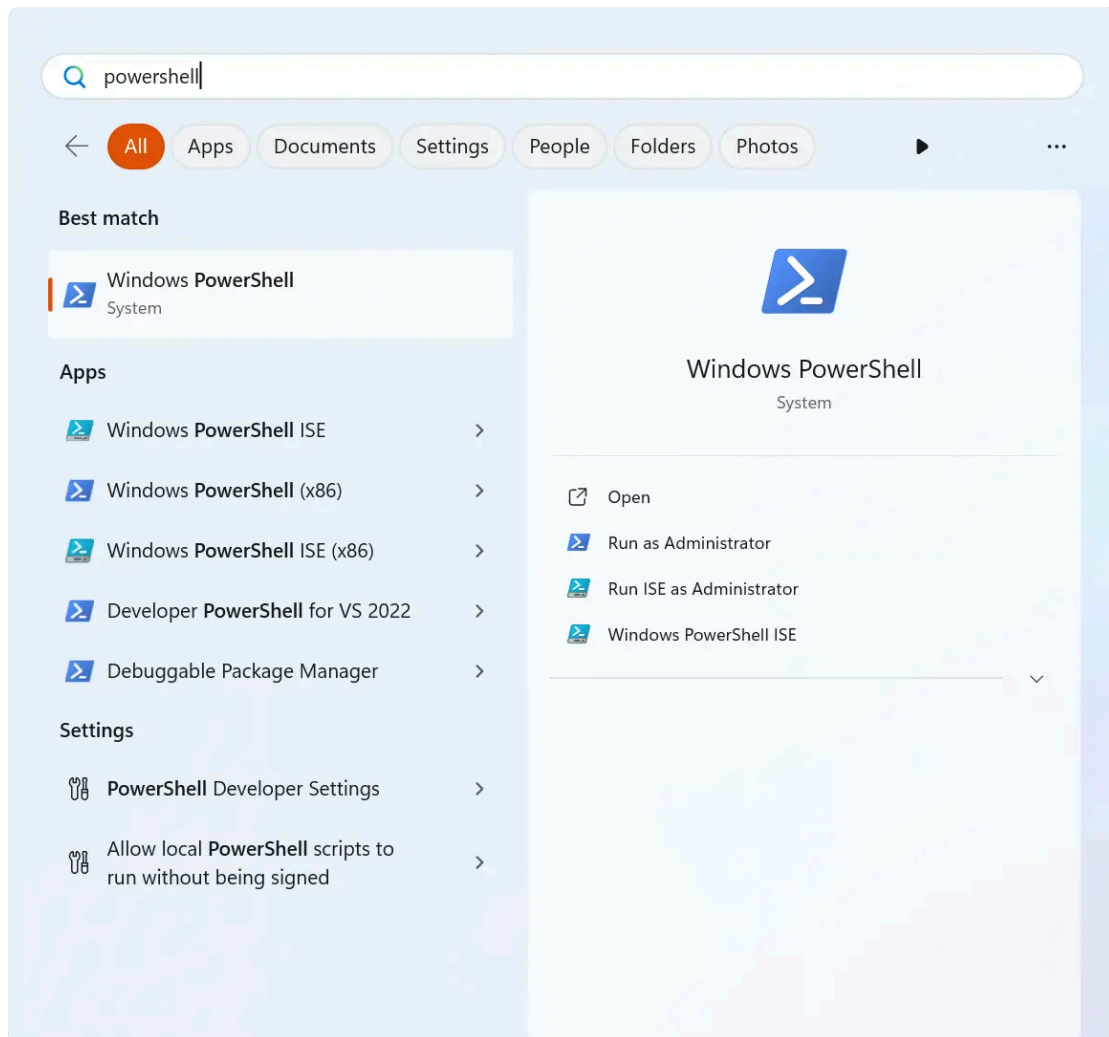
## Setting up WSL

1. Follow [official Microsoft documentation for WSL located here](#) to install the WSL 2.

**Note**

OpenLane 2 *requires* WSL2. Make sure that you're using Windows 11, or Windows 10 is up-to-date.

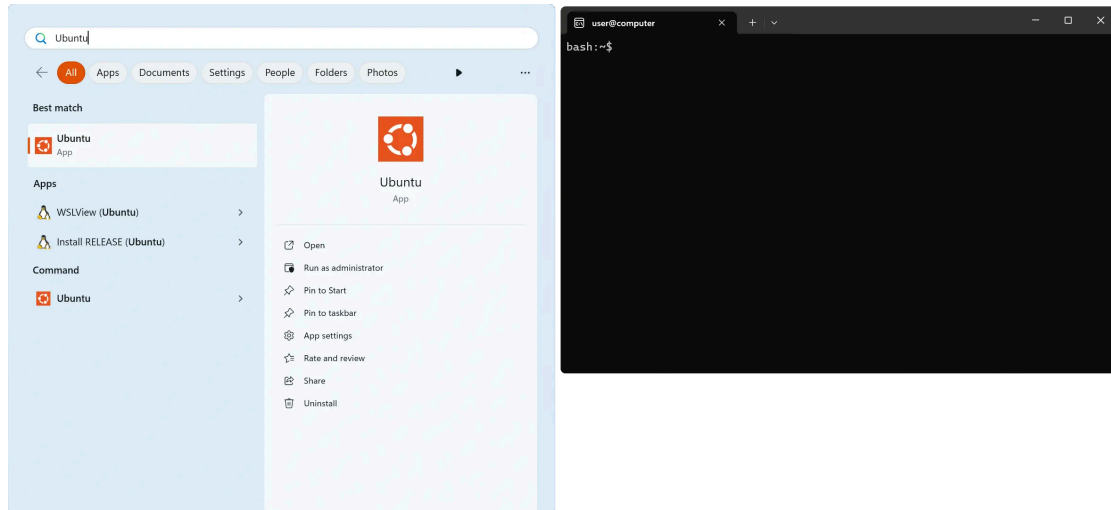
1. If you have an installation of WSL2 from 2023 or earlier, follow [Microsoft's official documention to enable `systemd`](#)
  - `systemd` is enabled by default for installations of WSL2 from mid-2023 or later.
2. Click the Windows icon, type in "Windows PowerShell" and open it.



3. Install Ubuntu using the following command: `ws1 --install -d Ubuntu`
4. Check the version of WSL using following command: `ws1 --list --verbose`  
It should produce the following output:

```
PS C:\Users\user> wsl --list --verbose
NAME                STATE              VERSION
* Ubuntu            Running           2
```

5. Launch “Ubuntu” from your Start Menu.



## Installing Nix

### Warning

Do **not** install Nix using `apt`. The version of Nix offered by `apt` is more often than not severely out-of-date and may cause issues.

To install Nix, you first need to install `curl`:

```
$ sudo apt-get install -y curl
```

Then install Nix by running the following command:

```
$ curl --proto '=https' --tlsv1.2 -sSf -L https://install.determinate.systems/nix
  extra-substituters = https://openlane.cachix.org
  extra-trusted-public-keys = openlane.cachix.org-1:qqdwh+QMNGmZAuyeQJTH9ErW...
```

Enter your password if prompted. This should take around 5 minutes.

Make sure to close the Ubuntu terminal after you're done with this step and start it again.

### If you already have Nix set up...

You will need to enable OpenLane's [Binary Cache](#) manually.

If you don't know what that means:

We use a service called Cachix, which allows the reproducible Nix builds to be stored on a cloud server so you do not have to build OpenLane's dependencies from scratch on every computer, which will take a long time.

First, you want to install Cachix by running the following in your terminal:

```
$ nix-env -f "<nixpkgs>" -iA cachix
```

Then set up the OpenLane binary cache as follows:

```
$ sudo env PATH="$PATH" cachix use openlane
```

...and restart the Nix daemon.

```
$ sudo pkill nix-daemon
```

If you *do* know what this means, the values are as follows:

```
extra-substituters = https://openlane.cachix.org  
extra-trusted-public-keys = openlane.cachix.org-1:qqdwh+QMNGmZAuyeQJTH9ErW570wSvdtuwfBKdS254E
```

Make sure to restart `nix-daemon` after updating `/etc/nix/nix.conf`.

```
$ sudo pkill nix-daemon
```

## Cloning OpenLane

With git installed, just run the following:

```
$ git clone https://github.com/efabless/openlane2
```

That's it. Whenever you want to use OpenLane, `nix-shell` in the repository root directory and you'll have a full OpenLane environment. The first time might take around 10 minutes while binaries are pulled from the cache.

To quickly test your installation, simply run `openlane --smoke-test` in the nix shell.



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