Editors and IDEs for Go

Popular

The Go Developer Survey showed these as the most popular editors.

- <u>Visual Studio Code</u>: Free & open source IDE by Microsoft. Visual Studio Code supports Go syntax highlighting out of the box. Additional features are provided by the official <u>vscode-go</u> plugin.
- GoLand: JetBrains's cross-platform, <u>fully featured</u> Go IDE (commercial). Free for students, teachers, open-source developers, and user-groups (<u>see details</u>). Also available as part of IntelliJ IDEA Ultimate.
- Vim & Neovim: Vi Improved. There are a number of plugins available that make editing Go code easier.
 - The <u>vim-go</u> plugin includes misc/vim and has many other new improvements.
 - The Syntastic plugin gives instant feedback on compile errors
 - The tagbar plugin uses Gotags, above, to show an outline of the current file
 - A <u>vim compiler plugin</u> for syntax checking
 - A vim-godef plugin integrates with the 'godef' tool, above
 - A vim-go-extra is vim plugin based on misc/vim in go repository. This works fine on windows too!
 - The <u>go-ide</u> is a Neovim configuration file that ties go related plugins together making autocomplete, auto-importing, snippets, code formatting, and file search/browsing easier.
 - govim is an LSP-driven vim plugin for Go development, written in Go using Vim8's channel support.
- <u>Emacs</u>: Extensible and customizable text editor. It has generic LSP support that works well with gopls, the
 official Go language server.
 - LSP Mode provides LSP support with a batteries-included approach, with many integrations
 enabled "out of the box" and several additional behaviors provided by lsp-mode itself.
 - <u>Eglot</u> provides LSP support with a minimally-intrusive approach, focusing on smooth integration
 with other established packages. It provides a few of its own eglot- commands but no additional
 keybindings by default.
 - Mode file maintained at https://github.com/dominikh/go-mode.el.
 - o GoFlyMake Flymake-style syntax checking for Go
 - o go-errcheck.el Errcheck integration for Emacs
 - o <u>flycheck-metalinter</u> Flycheck integration for go-metalinter utility
 - o go-playground Local playground inside Emacs

Less popular

These editors are less popular, and may have less modern Go support. In particular, they may not support Go modules.

- Atom: JavaScript-based editor from GitHub. Go support at go-plus
- **BBEdit**: free text editor for macOS (with paid upgrade for pro features).
 - Go support available with the <u>Go-bbpackage module</u> including syntax highlighting, clippings, ctags standard library completion, and tools
- Brackets: a modern, open source text editor that understands web design.
 - o go-ide Go support with autocompletion through gocode.
- Chime: Capable. Focused. Fast. A Go editor for macOS.
- CodePerfect 95: A blazing fast IDE for Go.

- jEdit: open-source, cross-platform text editor written in Java. Syntax-highlighting file available.
- Kate Kate is an advanced, cross-platform text editor developed by KDE, with Go support out-of-the-box.
- Komodo IDE Powerful cross-platform IDE with built-in Go support
- Komodo Edit Powerful cross-platform text editor, Go-lang support available via plugin
- LiteIDE: A simple, open source and cross-platform Go IDE
- Micro: A modern and intuitive terminal-based text editor written in Go
 - Go language support (gofmt and goimports) via plugin
- Notepad++: Free source code editor for Windows.
 - notepadplus-go Syntax highlighting, functions list panel (for code browsing), code completion for keywords & builtins.
 - The GOnpp plugin (available via Notepad++'s built-in Plugin Manager) provides code completion (requires gocode), function calltips, goimports integration, and keyboard shortcuts for common go commands. [sources, binaries].
 - GoAutocomplete is another code completion plugin.
- Nova: Native Mac code editor.
 - Go Language Definition for Nova Go syntax highlighting and interface with the Language Server Protocol (LSP) using Google's official gopls language server for Go (if installed).
 - Go Tools Run goimports on save or via a command. Syntax highlighting for Go.
- <u>Source Insight</u>: Commercial programming editor & code browser with built-in live analysis for C, C++, C#, Java, and more; helping you understand large projects.
 - golang.xclf is a <u>Custom Language</u> file adding syntax formatting and some parsing support to Source Insight for Go language.
- Sublime Text: Commercial text editor.
 - (Sublime Text 4 only) LSP + gopls is a plugin collection with IDE-like features available.
 - GoSublime is a plugin collection with IDE-like features available.
 - Golang Build is the official Sublime Text package for Go build system integration.
- <u>Textadept</u>: Textadept is a fast, minimalist, and remarkably extensible cross-platform text editor. Supports Go syntax highlighting out of the box.
- <u>TextMate</u>: Commercial text editor for macOS. <u>Source code available</u> under the GPLv3. <u>Bundle for Go available</u>.

Cloud Based IDEs

- <u>Cloud9</u>: claims full Go support.
- Gitpod: GitHub integrated cloud IDE with full Go support.