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Browsh – A Modern Text Browser That Play Videos and Everything

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Browsh is an open-source, a simple and modern text-based browser that renders in TTY terminal environments. It is made up of a minimal Golang CLI front-end and a browser web-extension (headless Firefox) which actually offers most of the functionality to create a purely text-based version of web pages and web apps.

Browsh browser renders anything that a modern browser can; HTML5, CSS3, JS, video as well as WebGL. It is importantly a bandwidth-saver, designed to run on a remote server and accessed via SSH/Mosh or the in-browser HTML service so as to notably reduce bandwidth.

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Browsh is useful only when you don't have good Internet connection. It also helps you to avoid the battery-drain of a modern browser from your laptop or low-powered device such as a Raspberry Pi.

Live SSH Demo – Just point your SSH client to ssh brow.sh, no authentication needed and session last 5 minutes and are logged.

How to Install Browsh Text-Based Browser in Linux

Browsh's requirements are a <u>latest version of Firefox</u> and a terminal client with true colour support. Once you have those you can download the suitable binary or package for your Linux distribution using following commands.

Install Browsh on RHEL/CentOS & Fedora

```
# wget https://github.com/browsh-org/browsh/releases/download/v1.6.4/browsh
# rpm -Uvh browsh_1.6.4_linux_amd64.rpm

------ On 32-bit ------
# wget https://github.com/browsh-org/browsh/releases/download/v1.6.4/browsh
# rpm -Uvh browsh_1.6.4_linux_386.rpm
```

Install Browsh on Debian/Ubuntu & Linux Mint

```
wget https://github.com/browsh-org/browsh/releases/download/v1.6.4/browsh
$ sudo dpkg -i browsh_1.6.4_linux_amd64.deb

------ On 32-bit ------
$ wget https://github.com/browsh-org/browsh/releases/download/v1.6.4/browsh
$ sudo dpkg -i browsh_1.6.4_linux_386.deb
```

If you don't want to install .deb and .rpm versions, you can download static binaries and execute it as shown.

```
# wget https://github.com/browsh-org/browsh/releases/download/v1.6.4/browsh
# chmod 755 browsh_1.6.4_linux_amd64
# ./browsh_1.6.4_linux_amd64
# wget https://github.com/browsh-org/browsh/releases/download/v1.6.4/browsh
# chmod 755 browsh_1.6.4_linux_386
# ./browsh_1.6.4_linux_386
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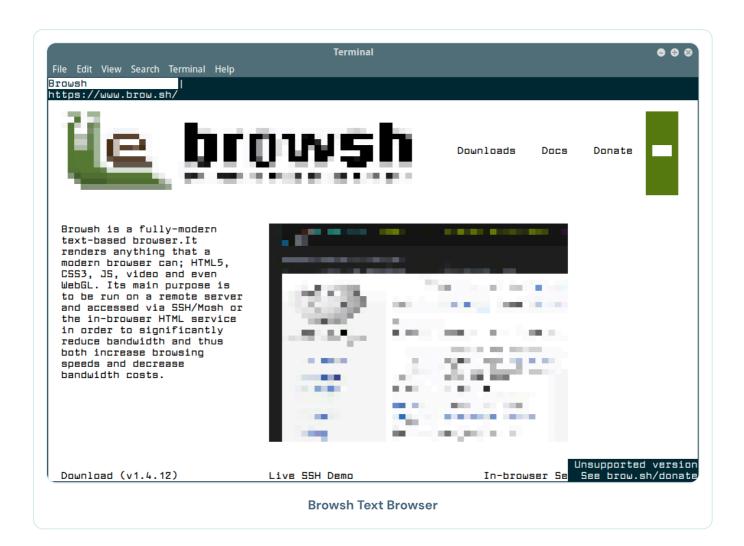
There are also a Docker image that comes with the latest version of Firefox bundled, all you need to do is just pull and run the TTY client with.

\$ docker run -it --rm browsh/browsh

How to Use Browsh Text-Based Browser in Linux

Once you have Browsh installed, you can run browsh on the terminal as shown.

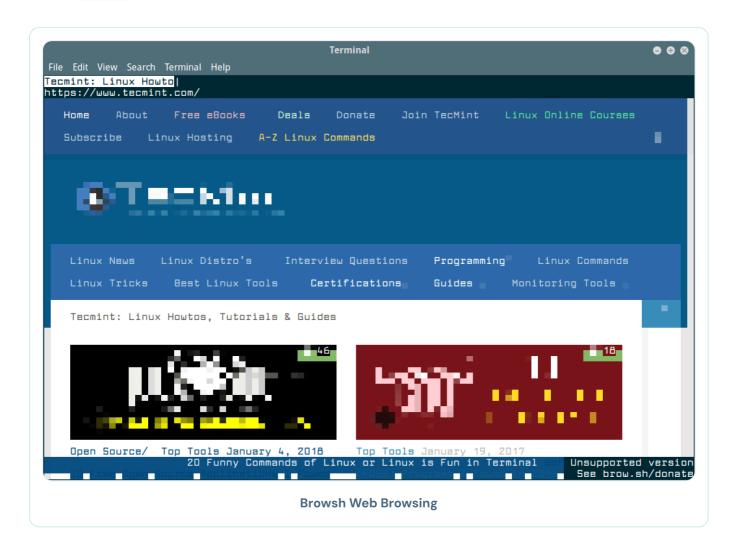
\$ browsh

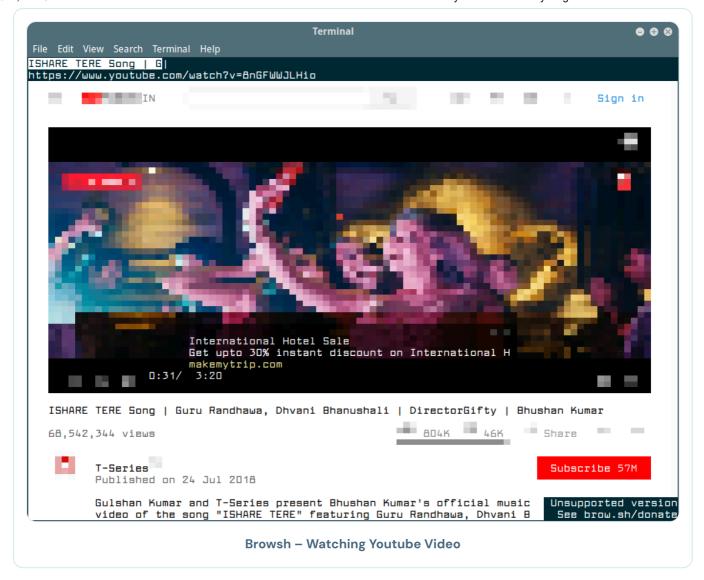


Most keys and mouse gestures should work as you would expect on a desktop browser, the following are the basic ones for you to get started.

- **F1** opens the documentation
- ARROW KEYS , PageUP , PageDown scrolling

- **CTRL+1** focus the URL bar
- CTRL+r reload page
- CTRL+t open new tab
- CTRL+w close a tab
- BACKSPACE go back in history
- CTRL+q exit the program





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For more information, go to: https://www.brow.sh/

That's all! Browsh is a simple, fully-modern text-based browser that runs in TTY terminal environments and in any browser, and can render anything that a modern browser can. In this guide, we have explained how to install and use Browsh in Linux. Try it out and share your thoughts with us in the comments.

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```
perform a trial run with no changes made

tecmint@TecMint ~ $ rsync -av --dry-run --update testing/* tecmint@192.168.102:/home/tecmint/
tecmint@192.168.102's password:
sending incremental file list
do.awk
script.awk skip newer files on the Remote Server

sent 126 bytes received 25 bytes 43.14 bytes/sec
total size is 479 speedup is 3.17 (DRY RUN)
tecmint@TecMint ~ $

RSync - Sync New or Changed Files in Linux
```

How to Sync New and Changed Files Using 'rsync' Command

```
tecmint@tecmint ~/testing $ find . -type f \( -name "*.txt" -o - name "*.sh" -o -name "*.c" \) ./emails.txt ./script-1.sh ./header.c ./examples.txt ./script.sh ./expenses.txt

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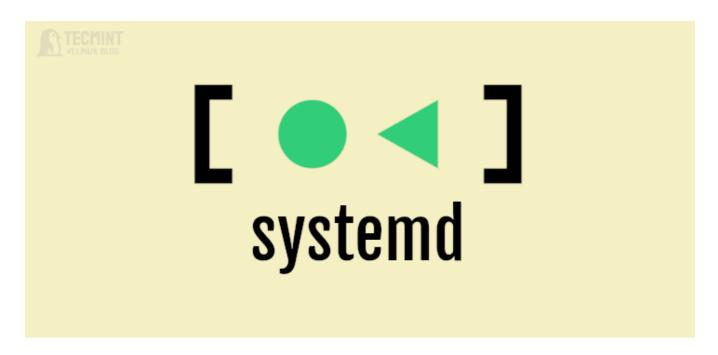
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Cesar Roque

August 28, 2020 at 9:05 pm

Doesn't see to work anymore, neither the rpm nor the docker image, both of them hang on "Waiting for firefox .."

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pouya

March 8, 2020 at 11:09 pm

Hi,

how I can find 'browsh' for other processors such as arm (orange pi or raspberry pi)?

<u>Reply</u>



Aaron Kili

March 9, 2020 at 1:37 pm

@pouya

You can consult the developers at https://www.brow.sh/.

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