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Why VPNs are scams and what to do about it



Protecting patterns of communication for all internet traffic

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Ph.D. in Artificial Intelligence from University of Edinburgh, where machine-learning made him realize the power of surveillance in the algorithmic age. Now he is betting big on Web 3.0 to fix the surveillance issues the original Web is incapable of fixing.



VPNs are scams:

Most are centralized servers run by a single company.

VPNs are honeypots that can sell your netflow data, correlate that data with your name and address due to credit card info.







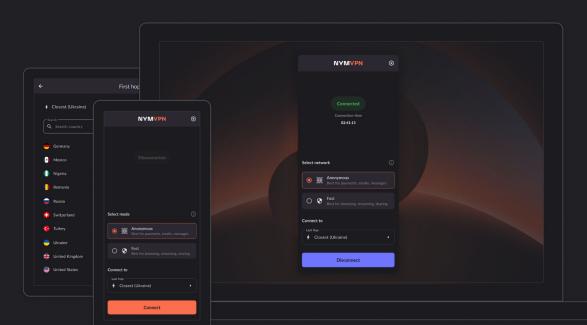
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(provide no actual anonymity against themselves. Centralized VPNs just move trust to **THEIR CENTRALIZED SERVER**.

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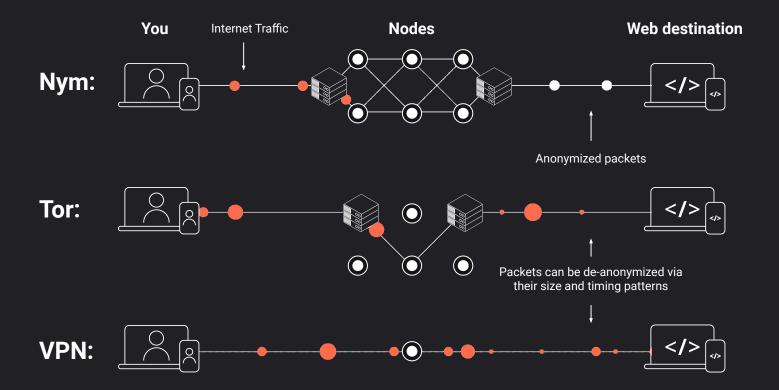
Doesn't provide anonymity against adversaries that can monitor the whole network. Obfuscates primarily the IP address.





First app to offer noise to protect your online traffic

Comparison: Noise Generating Mixnets



VPNs don't protect your online traffic

Common VPN problems	NymVPN's solution	Tor's	
Centralized	Decentralized network of independent operators (5) Decentralized network of independent operators (3)		
Payments linkable to usage	Zk-nym anonymous credentials	Not needed	
Can keep logs			
Can sell user data and metadata	Zero-knowledge network w/ 5-hop unlinkability	Zero-knowledge network w/ 3-hop unlinkability	
Vulnerable to gov. subpoenas			
Vulnerable to AI traffic analysis	Added network noise	No noise (cover traffic) added	
Not open source	Open source No backdoors		

NymVPN does more

	NymVPN	Tor	Most VPN's
Decentralized routing	✓	V	×
Independent operators	✓	V	×
Incentivized performance	✓	×	×
Unlinkable activity	V	v	×
Mixing packets	V	×	×
Cover traffic	V	×	×
Timing obfuscation	V	×	×
Open source	V	v	×
Unlinkable Payments	V	-	×

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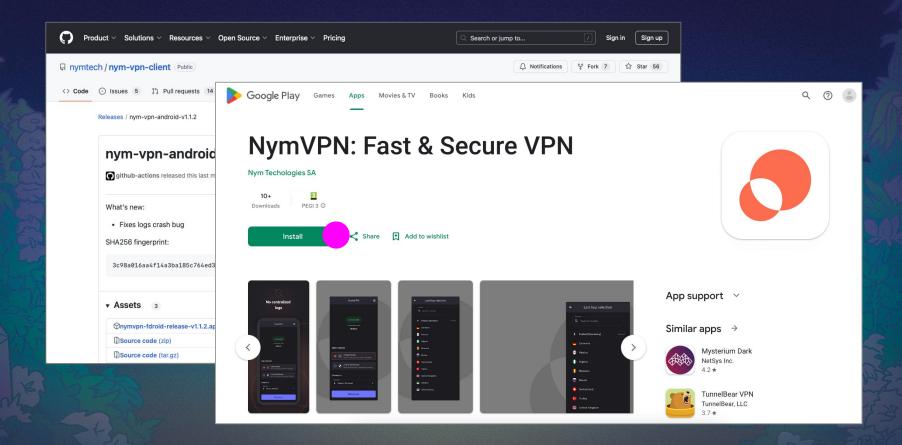


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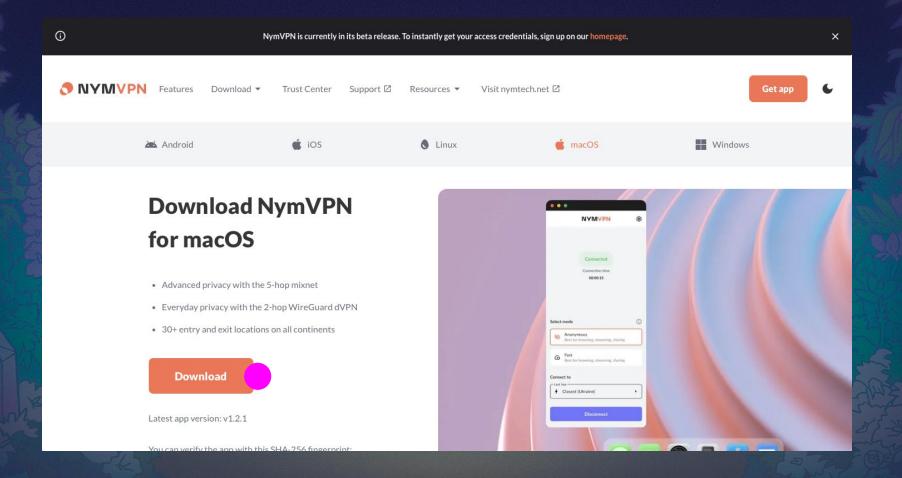
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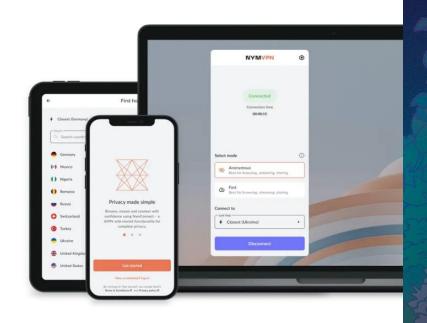
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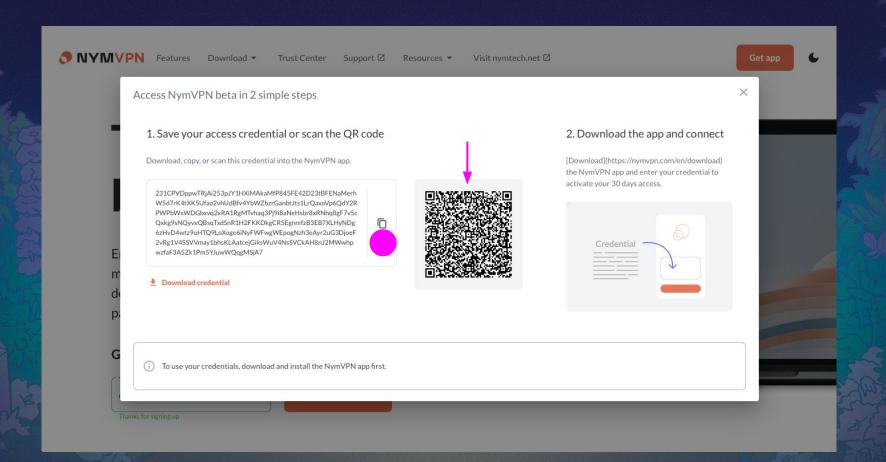
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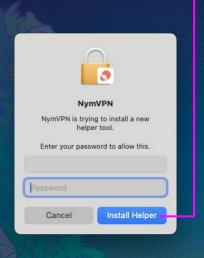
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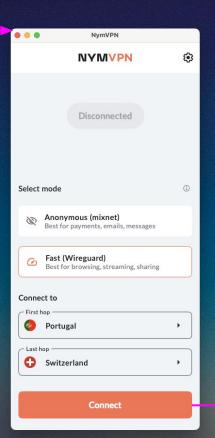


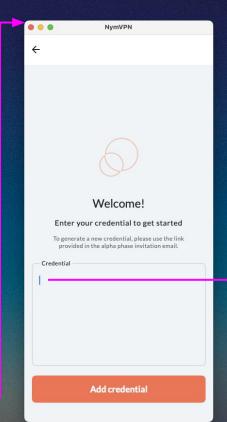
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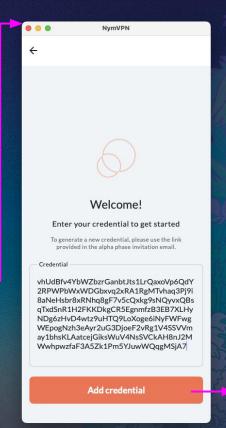


On the app, grant network permissions, hit the "Connect" button, and paste or scan the credential. Alternatively, tap the cogwheel (*) on the app home screen, then "Add credential to connect."



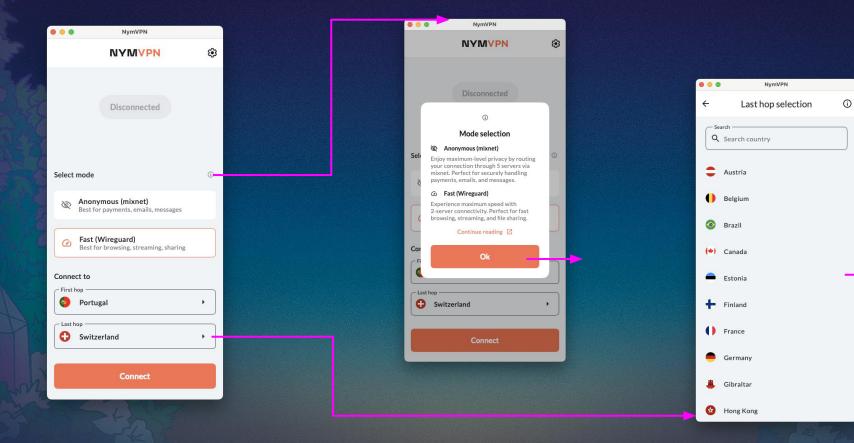






Try both the Fast and Anonymous modes, and explore our 30+ entry and exit locations.

Tap the cogwheel (*) on the app home screen to reveal the manual Entry location selector.



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