

Step-By-Step guide on how to RDP

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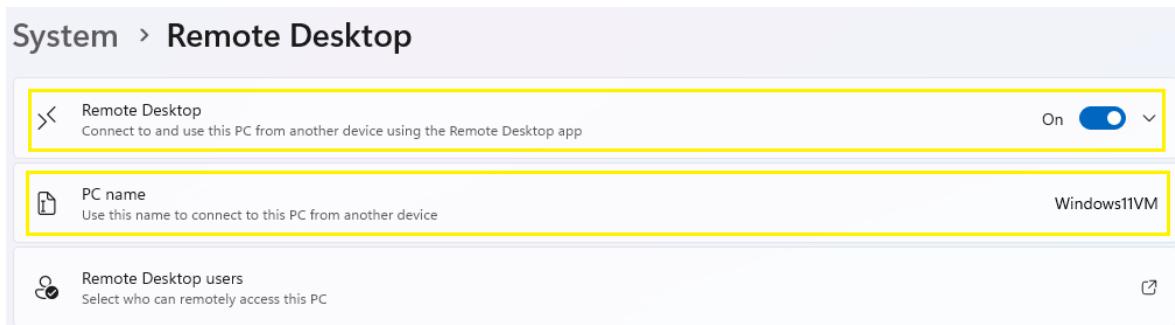
To remotely access a Windows 11 device from Ubuntu using RDP (Remote Desktop Protocol), follow these steps to ensure both systems are properly configured. This setup allows you to control your Windows machine from Ubuntu as if you were sitting in front of it.

On the Windows 11 Device

1. Enable RDP on Windows 11

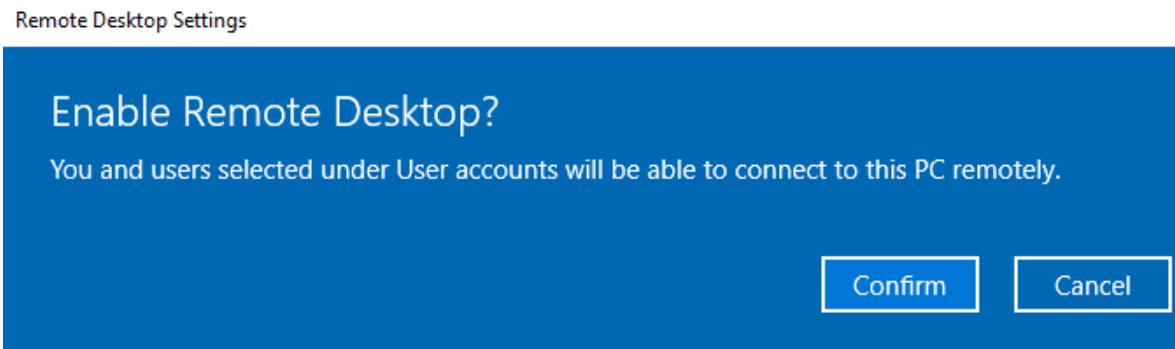
Make sure your Windows 11 system allows remote connections:

- Go to **Settings > System > Remote Desktop**
- Toggle **Enable Remote Desktop** to **On**
- Confirm and allow access through the firewall
- Note the PC Name under "**How to connect to this PC**".



Turn on Remote Desktop and note PC name

When **Enabling Remote Desktop**, you will be prompted to **Confirm**.



Confirm Enabling Remote Desktop

When selecting **Remote Desktop Users**, you can **Add** or **Remove** access to this computer. Within a local Windows Active Directory, you can add administrators group. In case that the device is in a peer-to-peer network, it will be necessary to create an administrator account via **Control Panel --> User Accounts --> User Accounts**.

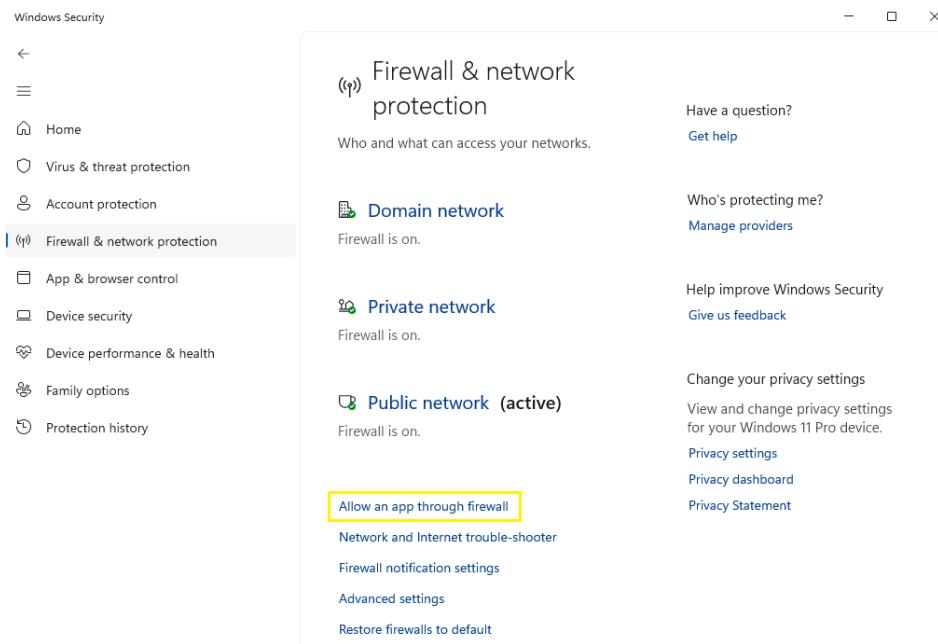
For advanced users, you can also enable RDP via Command Prompt:

```
reg add "HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Control\Terminal Server" /v fDenyTSConnections  
/t REG_DWORD /d 0 /f  
netsh advfirewall firewall set rule group="remote desktop" new enable=Yes
```

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2. Allow through Firewall

- Open Windows Security → Firewall & network protection → Allow an app through firewall.



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- Ensure **Remote Desktop** is checked for **Private** (and **Public** if needed). This process is usually automatic when enabling Remote Desktop.

Allow apps to communicate through Windows Defender Firewall

To add, change, or remove allowed apps and ports, click Change settings.

What are the risks of allowing an app to communicate?

Change settings

This screenshot shows the 'Allowed apps and features' section of the Windows Defender Firewall settings. It lists various apps and services, each with checkboxes for 'Private' and 'Public' network access. The 'Remote Desktop' row is highlighted with a yellow box. At the bottom right of the dialog are 'Details...' and 'Remove' buttons.

Name	Private	Public
Print Queue	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Proximity Sharing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Recommended Troubleshooting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Remote Assistance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Remote Desktop	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Remote Desktop (WebSocket)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Remote Event Log Management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Remote Event Monitor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Remote Scheduled Tasks Management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Remote Service Management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Remote Shutdown	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Remote Volume Management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

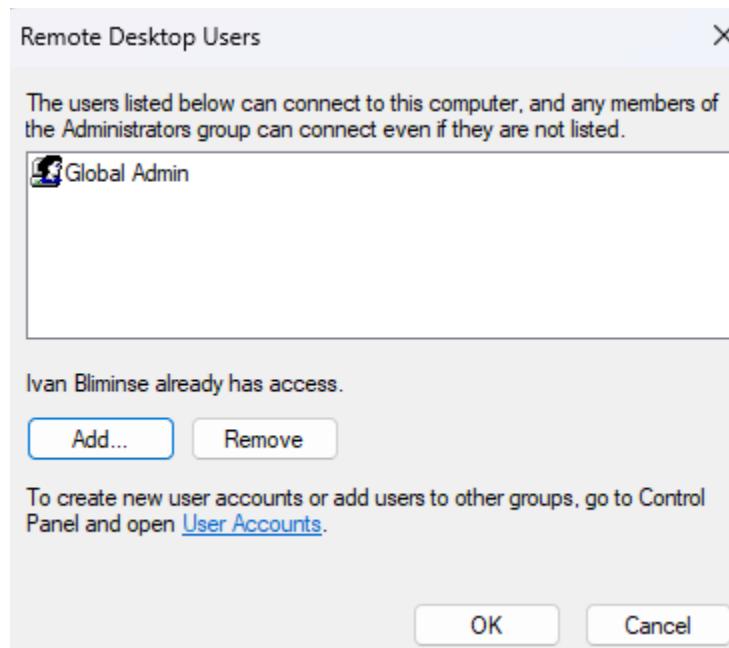
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Windows Defender Firewall

3. Check User Access:

- In the Remote Desktop settings, click on "**Select users that can remotely access this PC**".
- Ensure your **Windows user account** is listed. Here a **Global Admin** account was created within a peer-to-peer network.



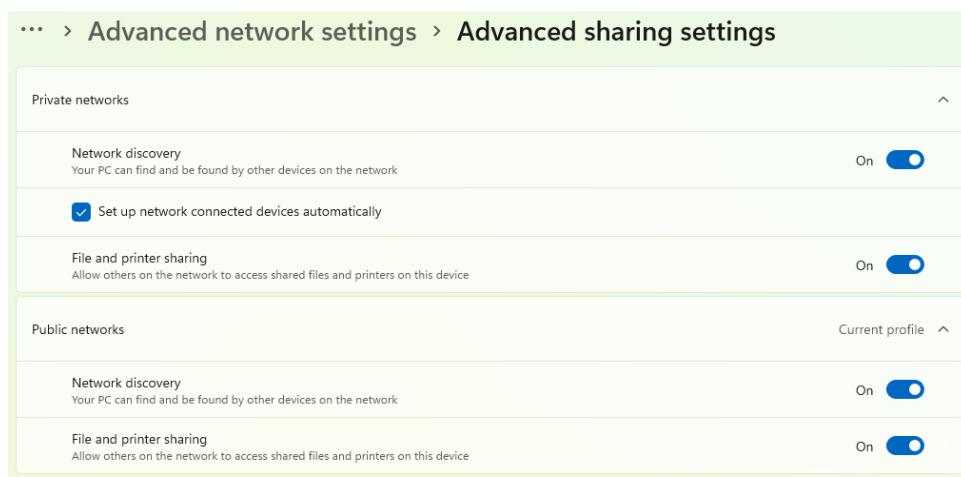
4. Know Your IP Address

- This step is optional if you're using hostname
- Open Command Prompt and type:

ipconfig

5. Network Discovery and File & Printer Sharing

Here, you can turn on **Network Discovery** and **File and Printer Sharing**.

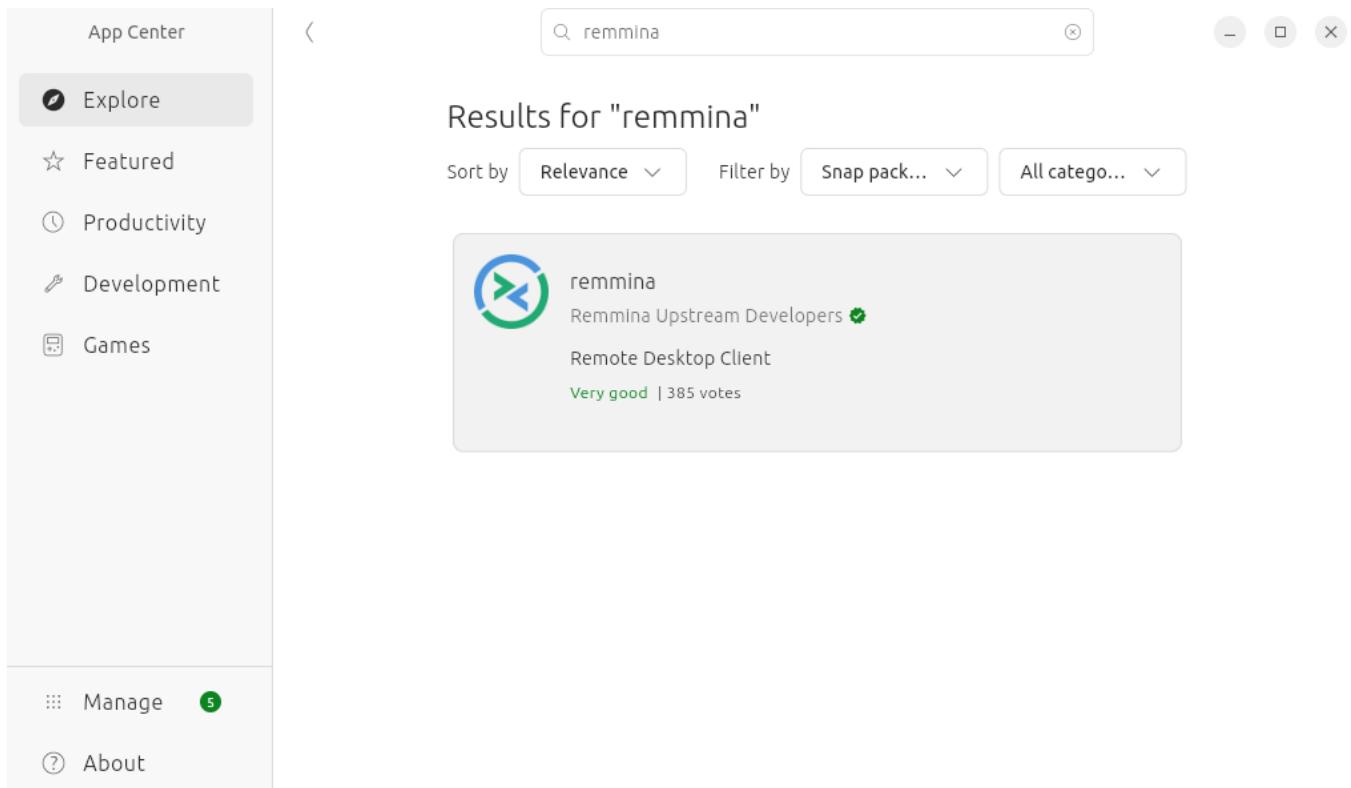


Advanced Sharing Settings

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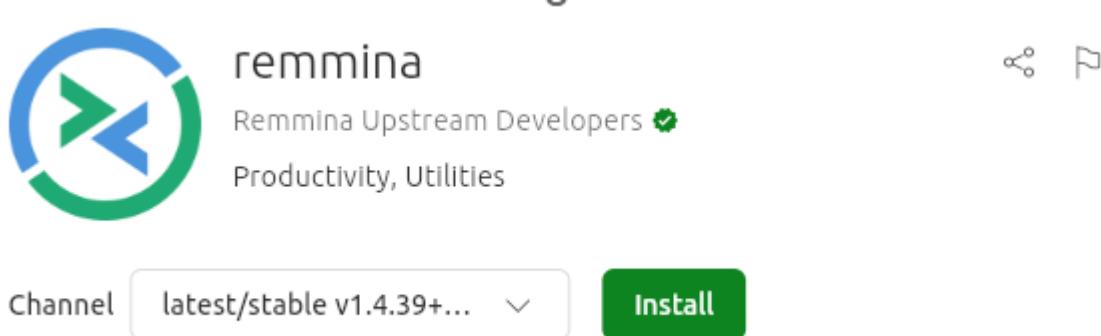
Install Remmina on Ubuntu

Remmina is a popular RDP client for Linux and can be easily installed via the **App Center**.



Find Remmina in the App Store

Proceed to **Install**.

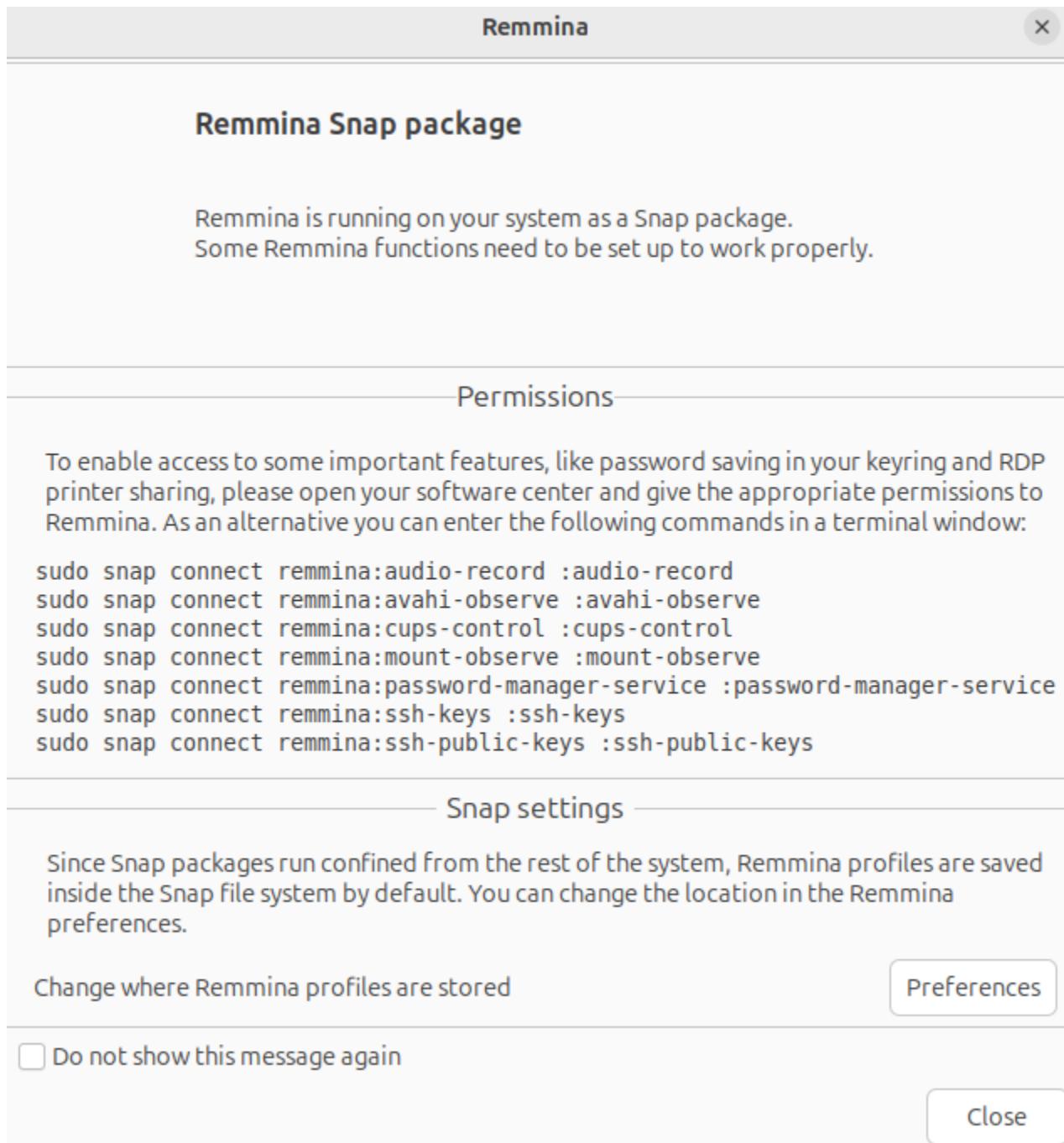


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Install Remmina

The Remmina Snap Package provide this startup page.



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As indicated in the startup screenshot above, consider enabling a few important features. Here are the command lines in Terminal for ease of use.

```
sudo snap connect remmina:audio-record :audio-record  
sudo snap connect remmina:avahi-observe :avahi-observe  
sudo snap connect remmina:cups-control :cups-control  
sudo snap connect remmina:mount-observe :mount-observe  
sudo snap connect remmina:password-manager-service :password-manager-service  
sudo snap connect remmina:ssh-keys :ssh-keys  
sudo snap connect remmina:ssh-public-keys :ssh-public-keys
```

For the command line, use below to install Remmina. (Ubuntu offers a step-by-step guide --> [Access a remote desktop | Ubuntu](#))

```
sudo apt update  
sudo apt install remmina remmina-plugin-rdp
```

Accessing a Windows 11 PC using Remmina

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Open Remmina

- Choose **RDP** as the protocol
- Enter the **IP address or hostname** of your Windows 11 device
- Provide your Windows **username and password**
- (Optional) Add Domain if applicable
- Click **Save & Connect**

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Remote Connection Profile

Name	Windows11VM
Group	
Labels	
Protocol	RDP - Remote Desktop Protocol

Basic Advanced Behavior SSH Tunnel Notes

Server: 192.168.1.80

Username: Global Admin

Password: 

Domain:

Share Folder:

Restricted admin mode

Password hash:

Left-handed mouse support Disable smooth scrolling

Enable multi monitor Span screen over multiple monitors

Cancel Save as Default Save Connect Save and Connect

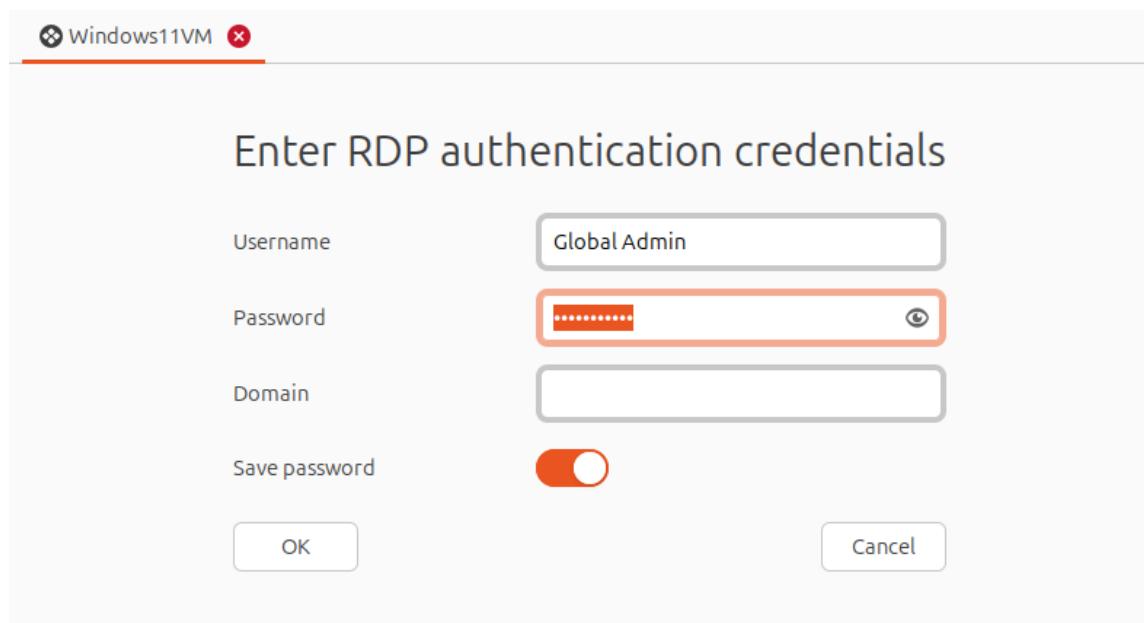
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Click **Yes** on Accept Certificate.



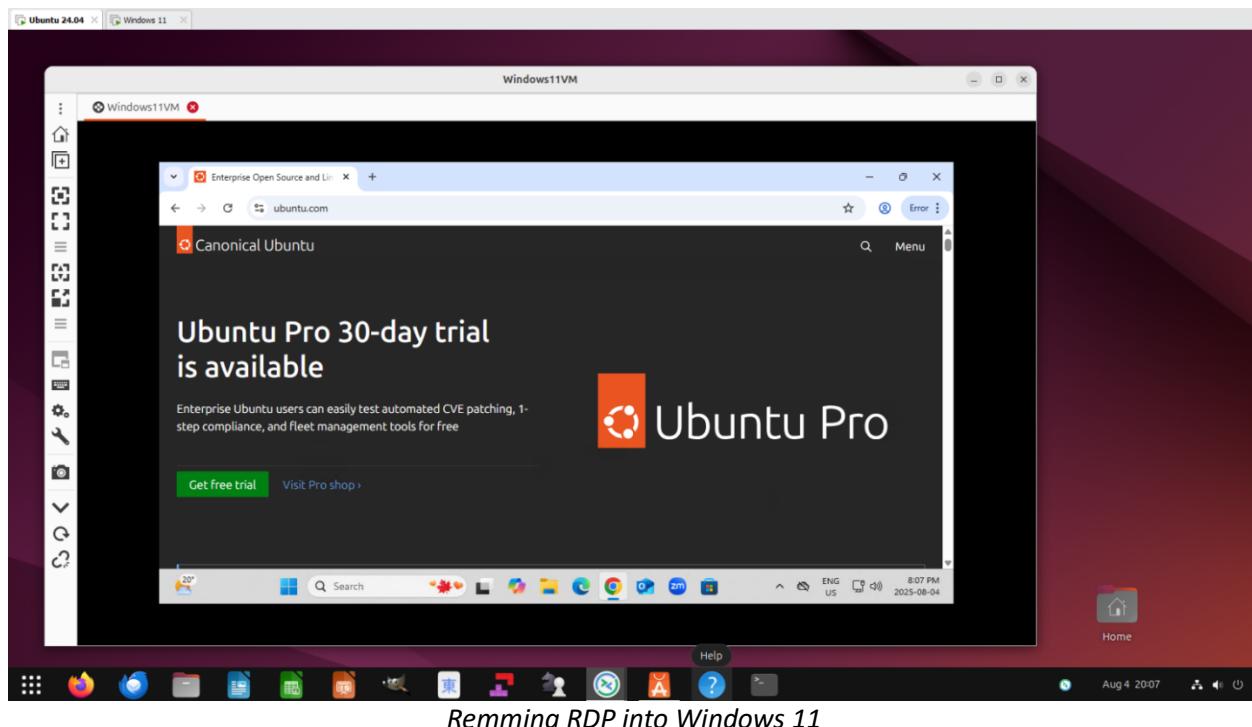
Click on **OK** to continue.

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RDP Authentication Credentials

This lab was performed in VMware Workstation Pro 17.5. Within the Ubuntu 24.04 virtual machine, Remmina is being used to remotely connect to a Windows 11 virtual machine.



Remmina RDP into Windows 11