HandyLinux -- Computer without headaches

When you start HandyLinux, your screen looks like this :

Bottom of your screen, information bar: the panel that integrates HandyLinux from left to right :

- **the launcher of HandyMenu** that gives you access to main applications installed on your system,
- **the taskbar** lists your opened applications,
- **time** on hovering, displays the date,
- **the access button** enables you to copy/paste a selection, one-click access to online help, zoom the screen or to invert the colors. A special help page is dedicated to access tools.
- **notifications area** informing you of the status of the network, the available updates, etc … ,
- **the shutdown button** that displays the logout dialog window on left-click.
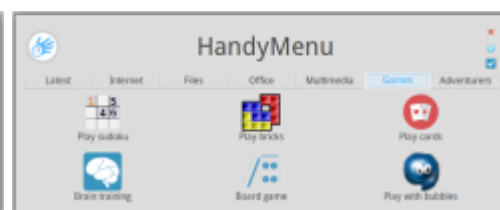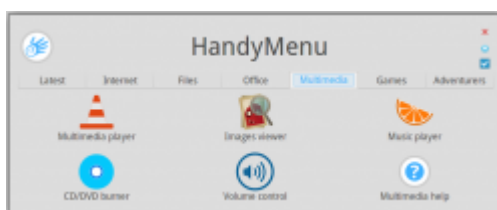
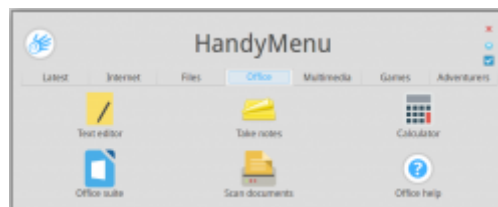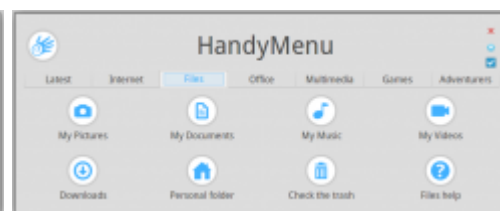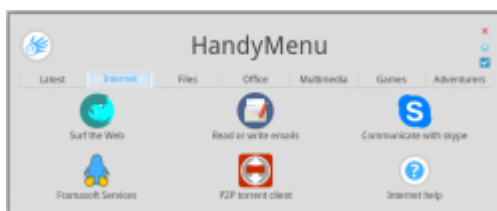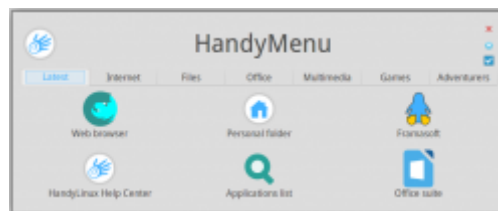# HandyMenu -- one launcher to start them all

> ***Since HandyLinux-2.3, HandyMenu has been redisigned by thuban and is included in its version 4***

The heart of HandyLinux is the **HandyMenu**: He gathers all your applications and files in a simple and clear interface.

To start, a simple left-click on the icon **HandyMenu** located at the bottom left of your screen, or pressing the "Super" key on your keyboard (the Windows flag between "Ctrl" and "Alt ").

The HandyMenu consists of 6 tabs presenting the applications in sections + 1 tab grouping recent launched applications :
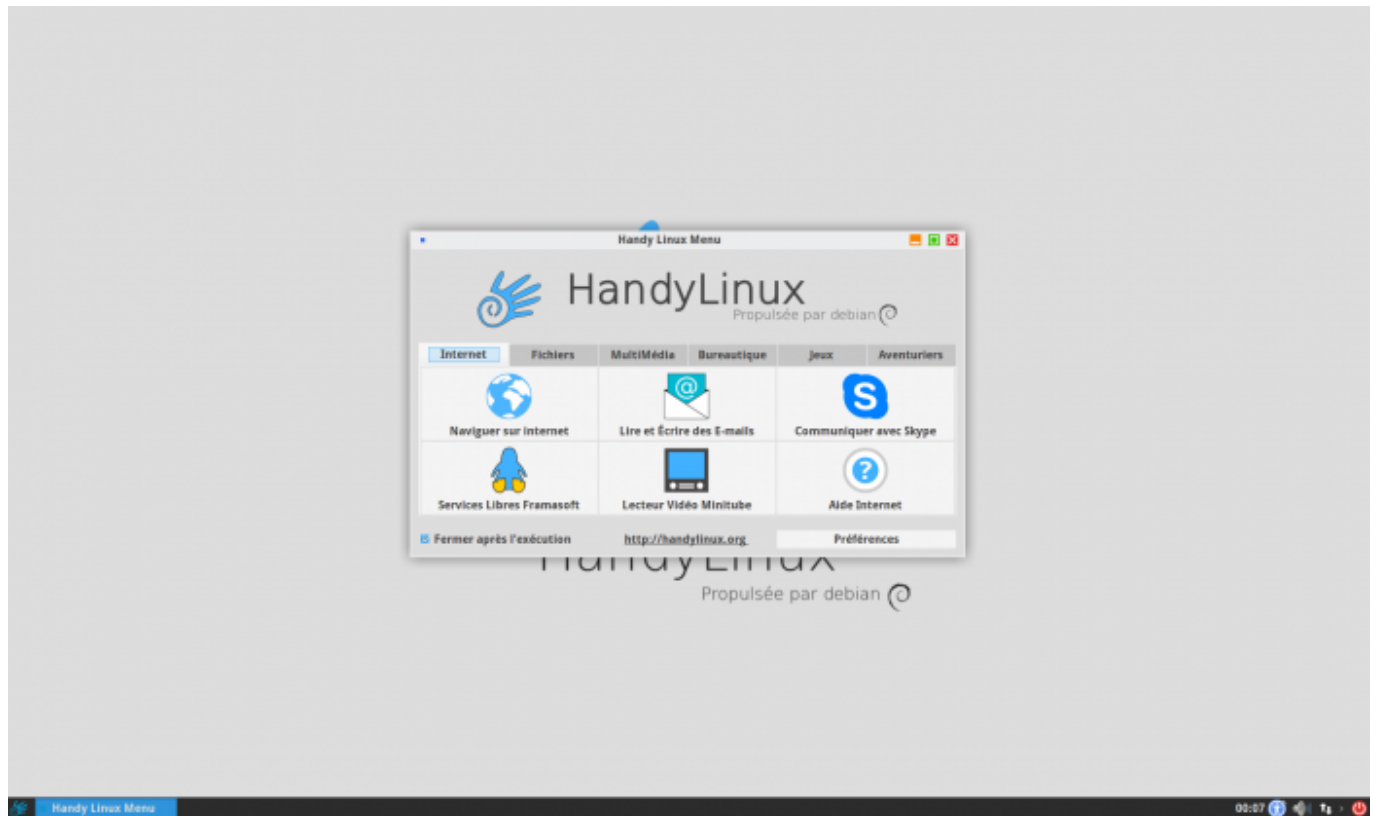
- **Internet** : this section contains internet browser **Iceweasel**, mail client **Icedove** (Thunderbird), communication software **Skype**, direct links to Framasoft free (as in freedom) services provider and **Internet help** and the **Transmission** launcher.
- **Files** : this section allows you to view your folders, check and empty the trash or visit help for data organization.
- **MultiMedia** : here you have **VLC** media player, **Ristretto** picture viewer, **Clementine** music player, CD/DVD burning software, volume control and the link for helping you using **Multimedia** applications.
- **Office** : this section contains the simple text editor **Mousepad**, quick notes software, a calculator, the complete office suite **LibreOffice4**, a shortcut to the document scanning and a link to the **Office help**
- **Games** : because you have to relax sometimes with Sudoku, cards, Mahjong, Flobopuyo, Ltris and a little brain training.
- **Raiders/Adventurers** : HandyLinux is intended to be used in a simple manner. However, if you want to learn a little more, more finely configure your interface, add or remove software, configure your network manually or have access to all applications and configurations on HandyLinux, it is in this section that you should go.
- **Recents files** : integrated configuration tool lets you add a tab brings together the latest open files.

To help you to choose, applications are presented in large buttons, a tooltip will appear overview of each element.
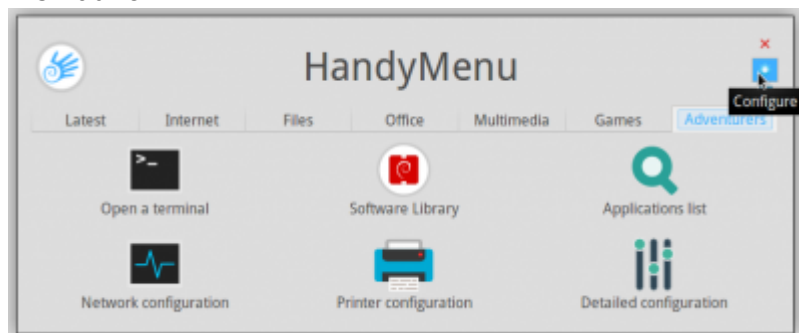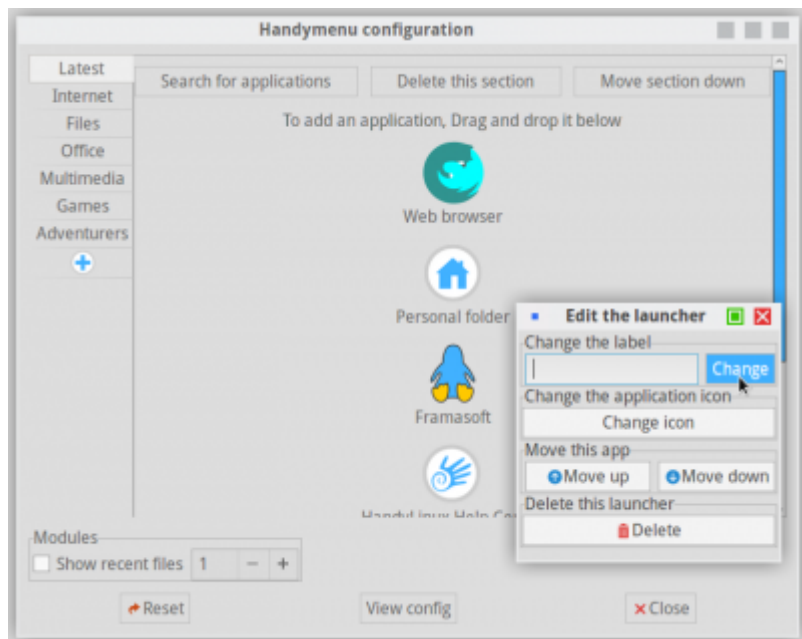Left-click on the title "HandyLinux" leads you to the documentation.

> ### _HandyMenu version 2 is still available_

HandyMenu configuration

The HandyMenu v4 delivered since handylinux-2.3, has a complete graphical configuration tool to modify, add or remove sections or launchers. Clicking on "Reset" will return your HandyMenu like the first launch.

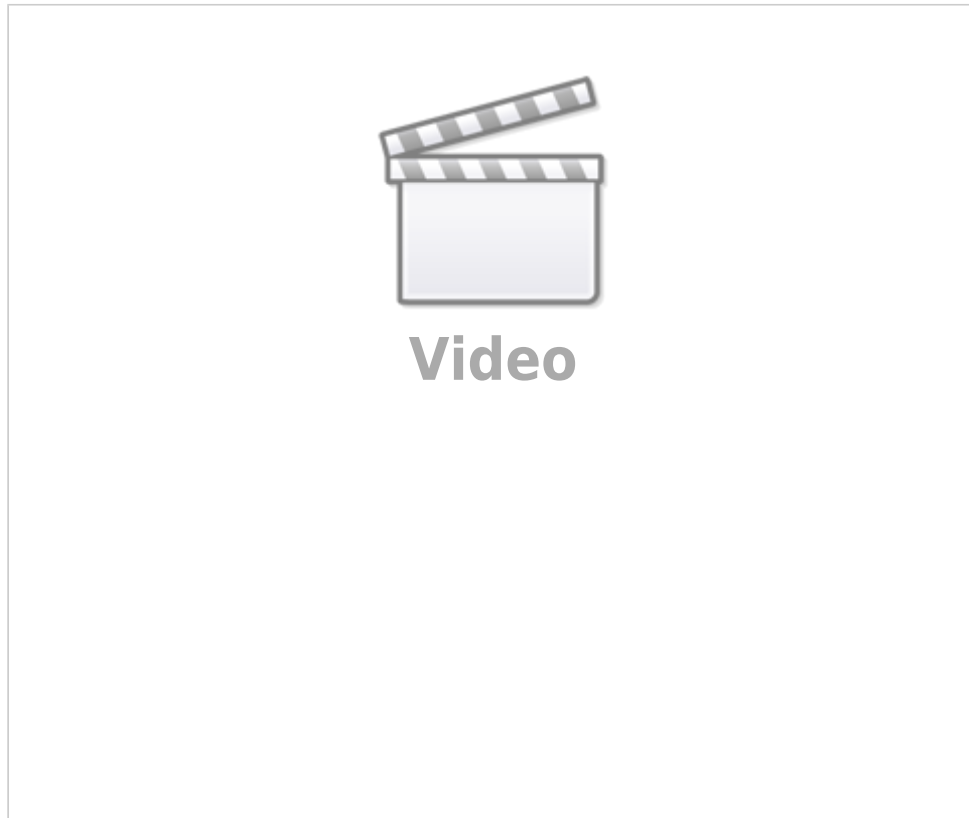**Présentation et configuration du HandyMenu v3 (v4's coming soon)**

If you're using HandyMenu (v2), a preference'tool is included by manon. This little tool allows you to change main banner or icon theme.

To configure launchers one by one, right-click on the launcher to configure, then simply drag&drop
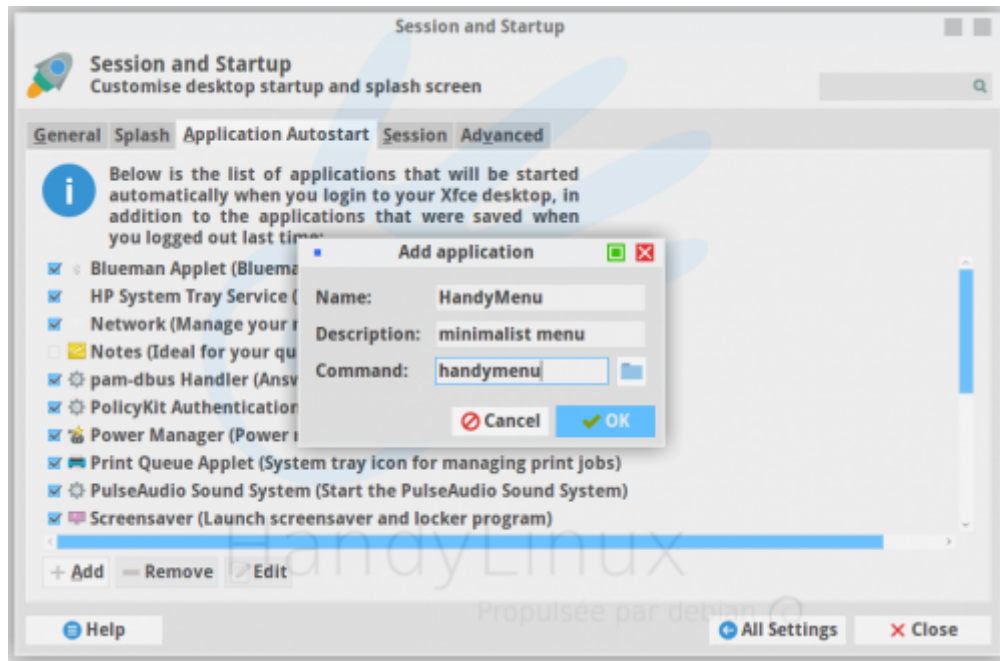
your new application into the Options window. Change the text if needed and the tooltips text too, save, it's done :) !

Automatic Launch

If you want to automatically launch the HandyMenu with your session, you should add it to your startup services.

- HandyMenu section "Adventurers" > "Detailed Configuration".
- Choose "Session and Startup" then the "Application autostart" tab.
- Click on "Ad" then fill in the field like this:

- HandyMenu will be launched with your session.

HandyMenu vs Handy-Menu

So here we are with two versions of hHandyLinux Menu present in our deposits. To avoid conflicts, the first one replace the other: if you choose to install the HandyMenu (v3) while using the handy-menu (v2), it will be deleted and replaced by the first.

Feel free to go through the various sections of this documentation to discover applications and HandyLinux integrated tools. Click the category name to see the corresponding help :

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