

Reviewer's Guide



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Thunderbird.3

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1. About Mozilla

Mozilla is a global community of people creating a better Internet. We build public benefit into the Internet by creating free, open source products and technologies that improve the online experience for people everywhere. We work in the open under the umbrella of the non-profit Mozilla Foundation. Everything we create is a public asset available for others to use, adapt and improve. As a wholly owned subsidiary of Mozilla, Mozilla Messaging organizes the development and marketing of email and messaging products. This unique structure has enabled Mozilla Messaging to financially support and cultivate competitive, viable community innovation.

2. Introducing Mozilla Thunderbird 3

Thunderbird 3 is the most advanced and reliable email application Mozilla has ever delivered. With over 2,000 improvements including new tabbed email, advanced search with filtering tools, message archiving, and smart folders, Thunderbird 3 gives people the flexibility and control to get them through their email faster. Improvements to import tools and the new mail account setup wizard allow even more people to quickly get started using Thunderbird 3.

At the heart of Thunderbird is an open source development process driven by hundreds of passionate, experienced developers and security experts spread all over the world. Our openness and active community of experts helps to ensure our products are more secure and quickly updated, while also enabling us to take advantage of the best third party security scanning and evaluation tools to further bolster overall security.

Hundreds of add-ons are available to customize Thunderbird, enabling you to add functionality or change the appearance.

Thunderbird is available for Windows, Mac OSX and Linux and in more than 40 languages - more platforms and languages than any other email program.



Thunderbird 3 Features

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| Key Features | | User Interface | |
| ■ Tabbed Email | New | ■ Native Look & Feel | Improved |
| ■ Search with Filtering Tools | New | ■ Message Summary View | New |
| ■ Message Archive | New | ■ Smart Folders | New |
| ■ Mail Account Setup Wizard | New | ■ Attachment Reminder | New |
| ■ Activity Manager | New | ■ One-click Address Book | New |
| ■ Add-ons Manager | Improved | | |
| Under the Hood | | | |
| ■ Gecko 1.9 Engine | Improved | | |
| ■ IMAP Performance | Improved | | |
| ■ Gmail Integration | Improved | | |
| ■ Operating System Support | Improved | | |

Thunderbird Core Features

What our users have been enjoying from previous releases:

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| ■ Junk Mail Filter | ■ Anti-Virus Support | ■ Built-in Spell Checking |
| ■ Message Filters | ■ Support for Multiple Accounts | ■ Return Receipts |
| ■ Email Scam Detection | ■ Rich Text Email Composer | ■ Mail Views |
| ■ Image Blocking | ■ Address Completion | ■ Tagging |
| | | ■ RSS and Newsgroups |

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3. What's New in Thunderbird?

Thunderbird 3 is built to provide users with a simple and easy way to manage all their email interactions. We are proud to showcase these exciting new features and tremendous improvements in performance, stability, and safety. Thunderbird has become the email application of choice for tens of millions of users when it comes to managing their email communications.

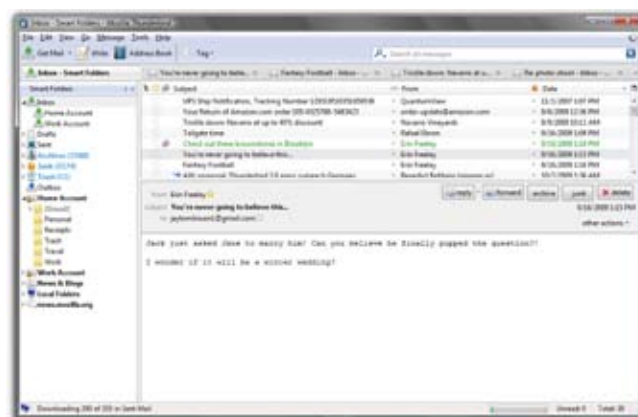
Here's what is new and improved in Thunderbird 3:

3.1 Key Features

Tabbed Email New

If you like Firefox's tabbed browsing, you're going to love tabbed email. Thunderbird 3 introduces tabbed email which lets you load emails in separate tabs so you can quickly jump between them. Perhaps you're responding to an email and need to refer back to an earlier email. Tabbed email lets you keep multiple emails open for easy reference.

Double-clicking or hitting enter on a mail message will now open that message in a new tab window. Right-clicking on messages or folders will open them in a tab in the background.



Mail Account Setup Wizard New

It's easier to get started with Thunderbird. Prior to this new feature, you had to know your IMAP, SMTP, SSL/TLS settings. Now all you need to provide is your name, email address, and password and the new mail account setup wizard will check our database and find the email settings for you. In the spirit of open source, if we don't have your email settings, you can contribute your email settings, and users with the same email provider will benefit from your contribution.



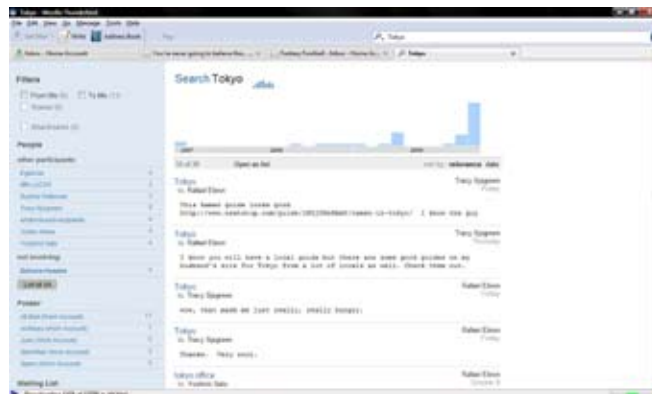


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Search with Advanced Filtering Tools New

You have valuable information stored in the thousands of emails you send and receive every day, and the new search tools in Thunderbird 3 help you find it. The new search interface in Thunderbird 3 contains filtering and timeline tools to pinpoint the exact email you need.

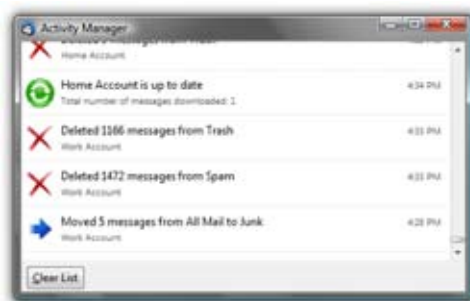
Search results are displayed in a tab so you can easily switch back and forth to your search results and other email. The search field in Thunderbird 3 also auto completes against your address book to help you search even faster.



Message Archive New

If you think you're going to need an email in the future but want it out of your inbox without deleting it, archive it! Archiving mail moves email from your inbox into the new archive folder system, de-cluttering your inbox while at the same time enabling you to find email months or years from now.

Selecting the Archive button or hitting the 'A' key will archive your email.



Activity Manager New

The Activity Manager records all the interactions between Thunderbird and your email provider in one place. There's no more guess work. You only have to look in one place to see everything that's happening with your email.

Add-ons Manager Improved

The new Add-ons Manager (Tools -> Add-ons) can now be used to find, download, and install hundreds of Thunderbird Add-ons which includes Extensions, Themes, and Plugins.



3.2 User Interface

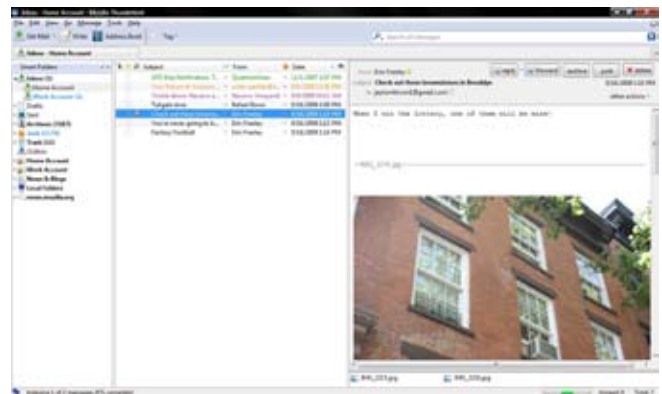
Native Look & Feel Improved

The new Thunderbird looks and feels like home on every platform. Whether you use Windows 7 or Vista, Mac or Linux, Thunderbird seamlessly integrates into your computer's environment. New icons, widgets, and platform-specific features makes Thunderbird 3 look and feel like it came installed with your computer.

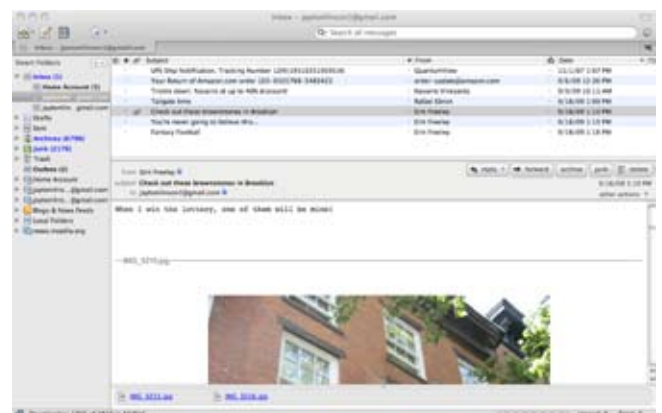
Thunderbird 3 also gives you a streamlined look with you just the buttons you need in the main toolbar -- Get New Messages, Create New Message, Address Book, Tags, and the new Smart Search Bar.

Message Summary View New

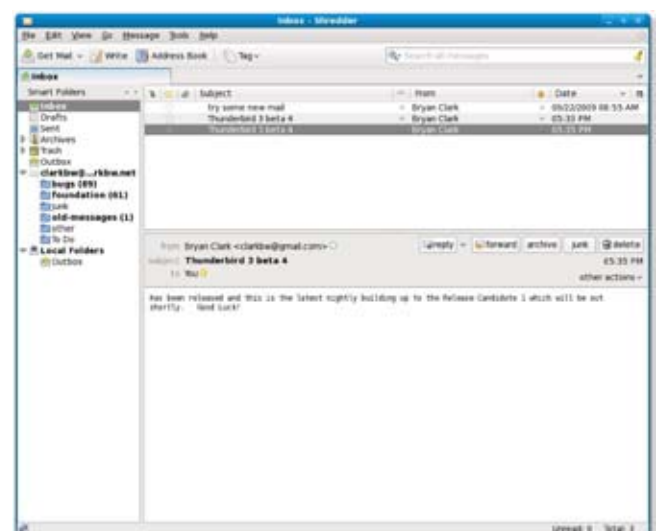
Selecting multiple messages will now give you a summary view of the emails you have selected that you can quickly archive or delete.



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Mac OS X



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Smart Folders

New

The folder pane offers a Smart Folders mode which combines individual mailboxes to help you manage multiple email accounts. For example, by selecting the Inbox, you can view all the incoming emails from all your different accounts without having to go to each email account separately.

Attachment Reminder

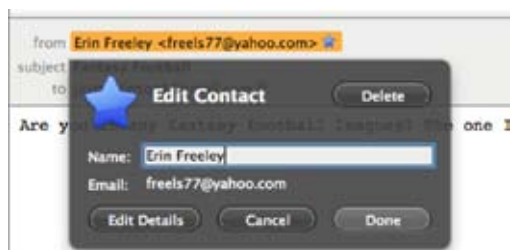
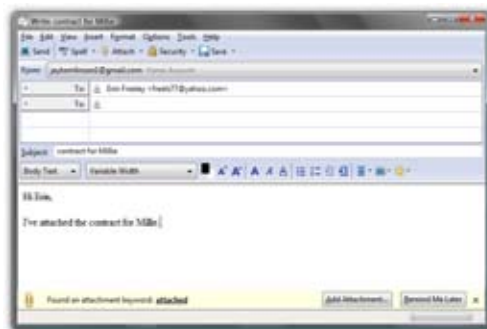
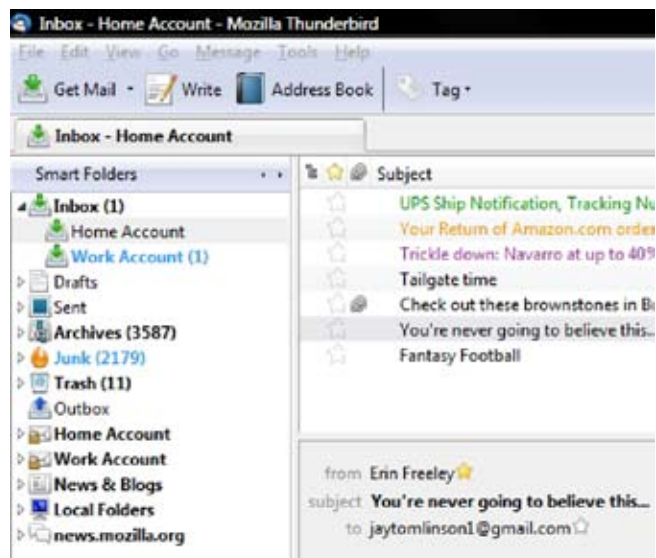
New

The new attachment reminder in Thunderbird 3 looks for the word attachment in the body of messages and reminds you to add an attachment before hitting send.

One-click Address Book

New

One-click Address Book is a quick and easy way to add people to your address book. Add people by simply clicking on the star icon in the messages you receive. Two clicks and you can add more details about that person including a photo, birthday, and other contact information.



3.3 Under the Hood

Thunderbird 3 is built on Mozilla's powerful layout engine, Gecko 1.9.1. After almost three years of development and more than 14,000 contributions from thousands of community members, the Gecko engine has been completely overhauled. In Thunderbird 3, users can expect to view HTML email and view web pages sent to them as expected.

Gecko 1.9.1 Engine Improved

Thunderbird 3 includes the latest Gecko 1.9.1 engine which improves the compatibility of HTML mail and the ability to view Web pages sent via email.



HTML Mail

IMAP Performance Improved

Thunderbird now downloads IMAP messages in the background to allow for faster message loading, and better offline operation. This feature can be enabled on an individual folder basis (via folder properties), or for all folders in an account, via Account Settings / Sync & Disk Space.

Gmail Integration Improved

Thunderbird 3 includes better recognition and integration of Gmail's special folders such as Sent and Trash including non-English versions of Gmail. Thunderbird also uses All Mail as the Archives folder.

Operating System Support Improved

Thunderbird 3 is now integrated with Windows 7 and Windows Vista search results. Mac users can import from Apple Mail, use their OS X Address Book, and Spotlight search.



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4 Secure and Protect Your Mail

Thunderbird's security and privacy measures ensure that your communications and identity remain safe.

Cutting Out the Junk

Thunderbird's popular junk mail tools are made to stay ahead of spam. Each email you receive passes through Thunderbird's leading-edge junk mail filters. Each time you mark messages as spam, Thunderbird learns and improves its filtering so you can spend more time reading the mail that matters. Thunderbird can also use your mail provider's spam filters to keep junk mail out of your inbox.

Image Blocking

To ensure a user's privacy is maintained, Thunderbird automatically blocks remote images in email messages, a common tool to track your email activity.

Phishing Protection

Thunderbird protects you from email scams which try to trick users into handing over personal and confidential information by indicating when a message is a potential phishing attempt. As a second line of defense, Thunderbird warns you when you click on a link which appears to be taking you to a different Web site than the one indicated by the URL in the message.

Automated Update

Thunderbird's update system checks to see if you're running the latest version, and notifies you when a security update is available. These security updates are small (usually 200KB - 700KB), giving you only what you need and making the security update quick to download and install. The automated update system provides updates for Thunderbird on Windows, Mac OS X, and Linux in over 40 different languages.

Open Source

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5 Thunderbird Core Features

In addition to all the new enhancements, Thunderbird is filled with powerful existing features including ease of use, functionality and security that millions users have come to trust.

Support for Multiple Accounts

Thunderbird makes it easy to manage multiple email accounts, newsgroups, and RSS feeds. You can drag and drop email from one account to the other or easily switch email accounts when composing new messages.

Rich Text Email Composer

Thunderbird lets you compose rich email with styled fonts, complex tables, and emoticons. A built-in spell checker checks your spelling as you type. Thunderbird also auto completes from your address book or corporate LDAP directory when sending email.

Mail Views

You can view your email in the Classic View, Wide View, or Vertical View to fit the way you work. The Classic View and Wide View are great for smaller screens and offer a familiar look and feel. The Vertical View allows you to take advantage of wider screens.

Message Tagging

Thunderbird allows you to “tag” messages with descriptors such as “To Do” or “Done” or even create your own tags that are specific to your needs.

RSS and Newsgroups

Thunderbird helps you keep track of today’s best blogs and news feeds. In addition, Thunderbird continues to be a favorite way to manage, read, and contribute to newsgroups.

Additional Resources

Thunderbird Press Center

<http://www.mozillamessaging.com/en-US/about/press/>

