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Docker Desktop overview

Docker Desktop is an easy-to-install application for your Mac or Windows environment that enables you to build and share containerized applications and microservices. Docker Desktop includes [Docker Engine](#), Docker CLI client, [Docker Compose](#), [Notary](#), [Kubernetes](#), and [Credential Helper](#).

Docker Desktop works with your choice of development tools and languages and gives you access to a vast library of certified images and templates in [Docker Hub](#). This enables development teams to extend their environment to rapidly auto-build, continuously integrate and collaborate using a secure repository.

Some of the key features of Docker Desktop include:

- Ability to containerize and share any application on any cloud platform, in multiple languages and frameworks
- Easy installation and setup of a complete Docker development environment
- Includes the latest version of Kubernetes
- Automatic updates to keep you up to date and secure
- On Windows, the ability to toggle between Linux and Windows Server environments to build applications
- Fast and reliable performance with native Windows Hyper-V virtualization
- Ability to work natively on Linux through WSL 2 on Windows machines
- Volume mounting for code and data, including file change notifications and easy access to running containers on the localhost network
- In-container development and debugging with supported IDEs

Download and install

Docker Desktop is available for Mac and Windows. For download information, system requirements, and installation instructions, see:

- [Install Docker Desktop on Mac](#)
- [Install Docker Desktop on Windows](#)