

Install Linux Mint on macbook Pro

A set of tips for install and post install

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1 Introduction

1.1 Install Mint onto a macbook pro

The target MacBook is a 13-inch, 2016, Four Thunderbolt 3 Ports.

1.2 Get an iso file from the Mint website

ISO file is 2.5 GB in size.

Download torrent file from website

Use app on macbook pro running macos, say **Transmission** to open torrent file and download. Takes about 6 minutes via ethernet connection.

Transfer iso file to USB drive, “burn”. use Easy <https://etcher.balena.io/>

Insert the USB flash drive into the target mac and reboot. Hold the ALT key to allow booting from the external USB drive. (The mac will offer icons for the hard drive and the USB drive).

From the Grub menu choose “Start Linux Mint 21.1 Cinnamon 64-bit”

There will be a long period with just the mint logo on the screen, maybe 5 minutes. (This is different from most other distro installs in our experience, but is more consistent with an Apple or Windows install.)

Finally a linux mint desktop will appear. There is one icon on the screen labeled “install Linux Mint”. Double click it.

A setup dialog will start. First Language, the Network, then codexes, the options for a fresh install or something else. Next Location, then name a root user and assign a password.

The Linux Mint 21.1 Vera download site is [here](#)

Could I use Docker?

This seems like genius:

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alias nvim="docker run -it -v `pwd`: /mnt/volume --workdir=/mnt/volume anatolelucet/neovim
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- step one set up parallels tools. Use “Actions” menu to select “install parallels tools. This will point CD/DVD device at the iso image. Open the DVD in”Files”. Open install parallel tool-gui.
- macbook harddrive will be available under share
- Firefox is installed. Add vinium-ff extension.