◆ Internet Download Manager & Firefox Integration In Linux Mint



Hello guys....Here I'm going to show: How to make best possible integration of IDM with flashgot (firefox) plugin on Linux Mint Platform(or any other distro you may have). This is meant for the users who want to use IDM on Linux Mint 13 via Playonlinux(front-end to wine).

PLEASE FOLLOW THE FOLLOWING STEPS

PART I (Installing playonlinux & Internet Download Manager)

01. Install playonlinux

Note: If you are going to download & install playonlinux the very first time then its better to have an internet connection as playonlinux download different files like microsoft fonts and different compatible versions of wine which is required for wine based applications to work properly.

For Linux Mint 13 Users

wget -q "http://deb.playonlinux.com/public.gpg" -O- | sudo apt-key add -

sudo wget http://deb.playonlinux.com/playonlinux_precise.list -O /etc/apt/sources.list.d/playonlinux.list sudo apt-get update

sudo apt-get install playonlinux

For user having different platform refer http://www.playonlinux.com/en/download.html

- **02.** Open playonlinux & Choose "Install a program" from right hand side pane.
- **03.** A window will appear with an option of "Install a non-listed program" in the very bottom-left position.
- **04.** Select that option and the installation will get started.
- **05.** In the next coming window select "Next" & further choose "Install a program in a new virtual drive" & proceed.
- **06.** Select Application's Virtual Drive Name & Click Next.

PlayOnLinux Wizard Manual installation Please type a name for your application's virtual drive. This name shouldn't contain spaces. IDManl Click Next

07. Following window will appear.Just Click

Next & let playonlinux decide which wine is better for the app which is going to be installed.



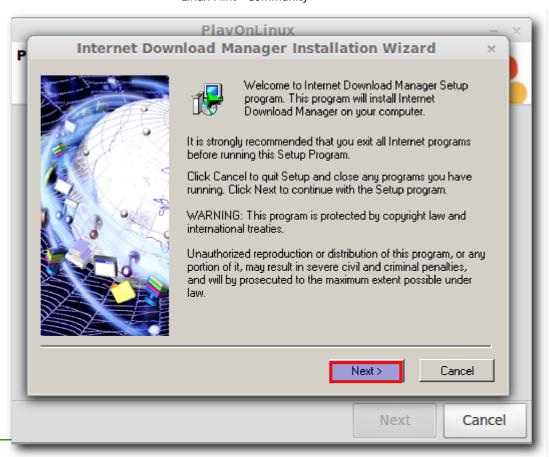
- **08.** Choose "32-bit windows installation" and Click Next.
- **09.** Wait for few seconds & let playonlinux to create a Virtual Drive.

Note: So far as per my research I've seen only IDM 5.05 version works well in linux environment. Please make sure whether the version you are going to use is compatible or not.

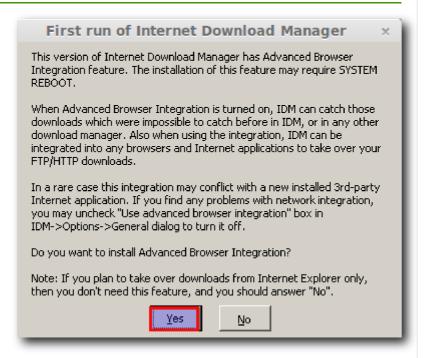
10. Choose "Browse" & select the IDM Setup file & Click Next.



11. Following window will appear:

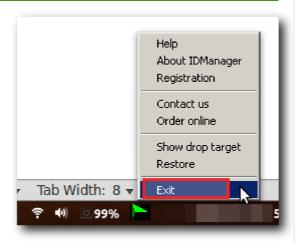


- **12.** Now just complete
- the IDM installation without making anychanges in the predefined installation location.
- 13. Click Finish & when following window appear choose either "Yes" or "No" (Doesn't Matter)

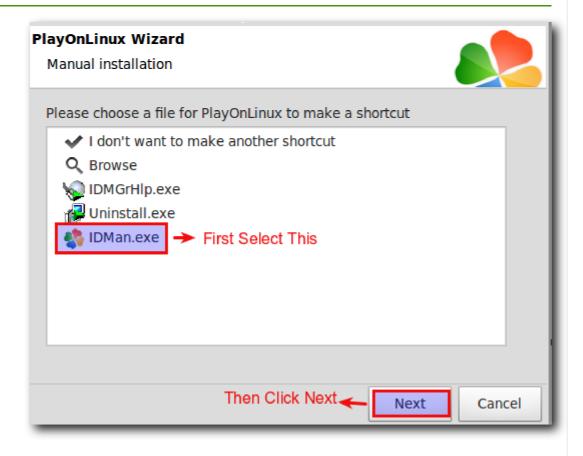


- **14.** Finally IDM will get started.
- 15. In IDM get inside Downloads-->Options-->Downloads Tab

- 16. Under Downloads Tab in Dialogs section, select "Download progress dialog" as "Don't Show" & Click OK.
- **17.** Now close IDM from panel selecting "Exit". Ensure IDM is closed completely.



18. Now create the desktop shortcut using Playonlinux wizard



- 19. Select a shortcut name for IDMan.exe say "IDMan" & Click Next
- **20.** Select "I don't want to make another shortcut" & Click Next. Close PlayOnLinux Window.

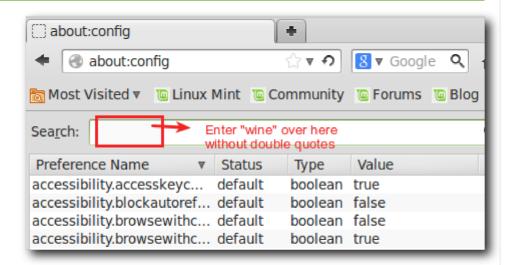
PART I is OVER

PART II (Installing flashgot addon & configuring firefox)

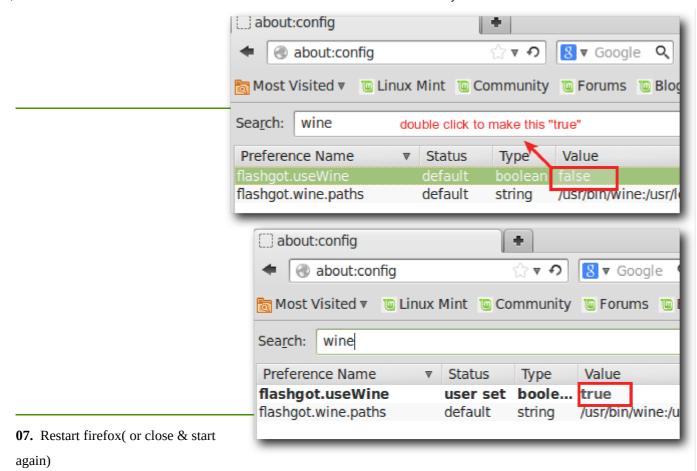
- **01.** Install "flashgot" addon for "firefox" browser. Refer to website http://flashgot.net/ for downloading the addon.
- **02.** Now Restart browser to take effect.
- **03.** Now type "about:config" in address bar & press Enter.
- **04.** Following message will appear. Just proceed & be careful in the very next coming window.

This might void your warranty! Changing these advanced settings can be harmful to the sperformance of this application. You should only continue idoing. Show this warning next time I'll be careful, I promise!

05. Enter "wine" in the given search box.



06. Make the boolean value of "flashgot.useWine" true.

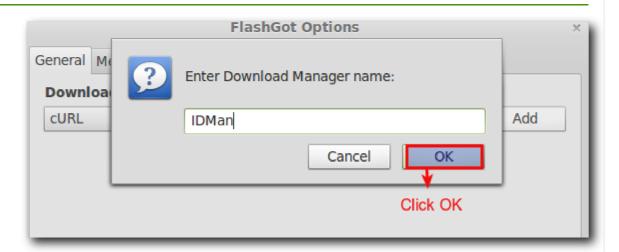


- **08.** Go to View-->Toolbars-->Select "Add-on Bars"
- **09.** Close it now.

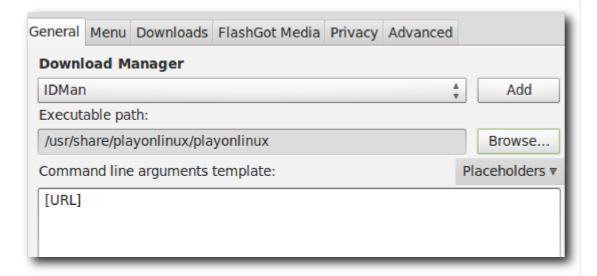
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PART III (Integration)

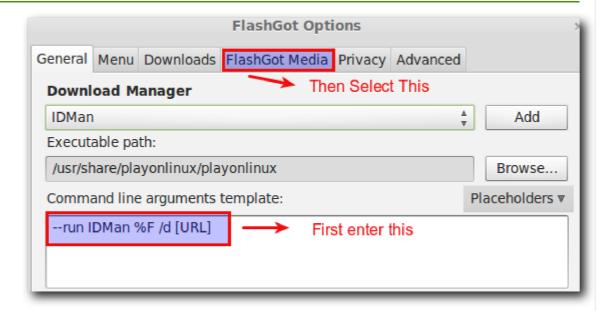
- **01.** Open Firefox
- **02.** Go to Tools-->FlashGot-->More Options
- **03.** Select General Tab & Click Add.
- **04.** Enter "IDMan" in the textbox & Click OK.



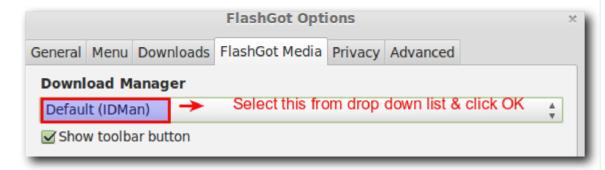
- **05.** Choose "/usr/share/playonlinux/playonlinux" & Click Open.
- **06.** You will get following result:



07. Now in the very same window under "General" tab do the following:



08. After coming inside "FlashGot Media" tab, select IDMan from dropdownlist box & click OK.



09. Restart Firefox.



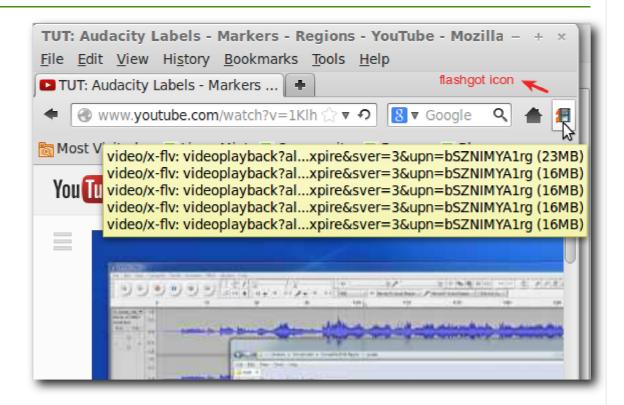
Part IV (Demo)

Downloading youtube video:

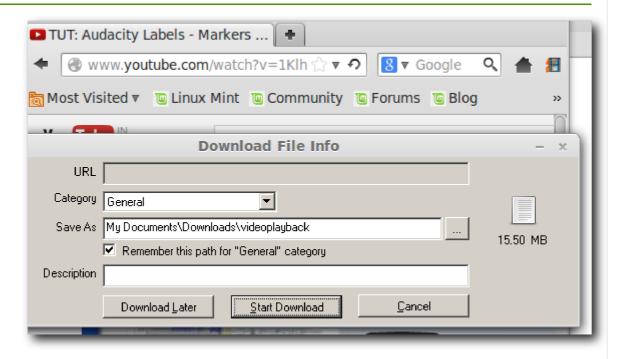
01. Unless a youtube(or any other) video is played, no flashgot icon will be visible to user.



02. Once a user open a youtube video the flashgot icon(in addon-bar) of firefox will start flashing with the link pointing to the video location(video with the selected format say 360p). Either click the link or choose a different video pixel format say 720p and wait for few seconds. As soon as the video with new selected format starts buffering or playing, you will see another link in the list of flashgot icon. Right click on flashgot icon & select the link you want to download and wait for few seconds.



03. Few seconds later the IDM dialog box will appear asking for your permission.



- **04.** Select "Start Download" & the video will start getting downloaded.
- **05.** End Result:



Similarly, just click on any downloadble link(doesn't matter whatever website it is) and wait for IDM Dialog Box to appear.



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I am not able to get IDM 5.05 but I installed IDM 6.21 build 18. Give me a link for IDM 5.05 with key. I even noticed that while doing this play on linux python program is running at 100% cpu utilization.

And just want to know can I download any files other than videos using idm?

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Nice Job, works like a charm!

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Thank you very much. I've been using IDM ever since I got this tutorial.

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what particular version of idm you were using for installation??

you may also use flareget which is just a replica of idm:)