Using Claws Mail with Gmail

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Gmail account setup

In your Gmail settings, turn on "Enable less secure app access". (Gmail's "enable less secure app access" is a euphemism for "apps that don't support OAUTH2", it does not mean programs such as Claws Mail, are less secure.)

You will also need to use an App Password to log in if using two factor authentication on your account.

Claws Mail account setup

Open your account preferences, and make sure these options are set:

on 'Basic' page

server for receiving: imap.gmail.com SMTP server (send): smtp.gmail.com

User ID: [your complete gmail email address]

on 'Receive' page

Authentication method: Automatic IMAP server directory: [leave empty]

on 'Send' page

[x] SMTP Authentication (SMTP AUTH) Authentication method: Automatic

on 'SSL/TLS' page

IMAP: Use SSL/TLS

Send (SMTP): Use STARTTLS command to start encrypted session

on 'Advanced' page

IMAP port: 993