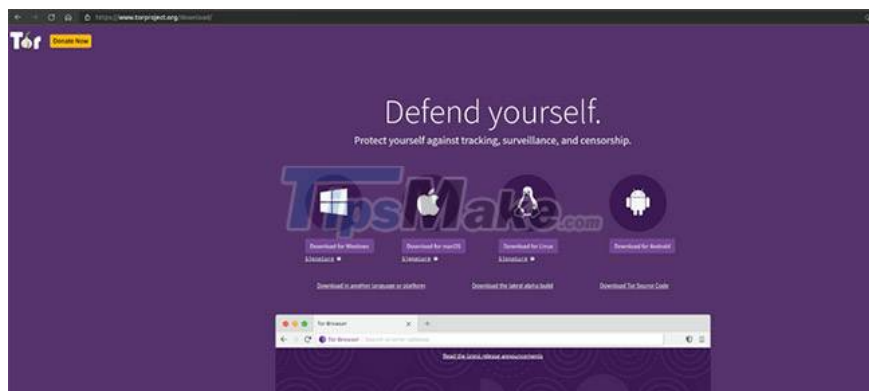


How to Install Tor Browser on Linux

Privacy and anonymity are hard to come by on the Internet. Fortunately, there are several steps you can take to protect your personal data from the prying eyes of data collection algorithms, marketers, and advertisers.

This tutorial will show you how to install Tor Browser on Linux. Tor Browser is a modern, cross-platform and open source web browser with a focus on privacy. The main purpose of a browser is to provide you with a basic right to privacy on the Internet.

Step 1: Download the Tor Browser package



You can install Tor Browser on your system in 3 easy steps. First, download the Tor Browser installation files from the official website or [here](#).

Click the **Download for Linux** button and the browser will start downloading the package to the default download location, such as the **Downloads** folder .

Alternatively, you can download browser files from the command line, using a tool like **wget** or **cURL**. To do that, right-click the **Downloads for Linux** button and then select the **Copy Link** option from the context menu.

Next, navigate to the **Downloads** folder with the **cd** command .

```
cd ~/Downloads
```

Then run **wget** following the link you just copied.

```
wget https://www.torproject.org/dist/torbrowser/11.0.2/tor-browser-linux64-11.0.2
```

Note that the aforementioned method will work on any Linux distribution, including Ubuntu and Kali Linux.

Step 2: Extract the installation files

The Tor Browser installation files are compressed and you need to decompress them before you can continue.

To do that, navigate to the **Downloads** folder or the location where you downloaded the file.

```
cd ~/Downloads
```

Run the tar command to extract the TAR archive.

```
tar -xvf tor-browser-linux64-11.0.2_en-US.tar.xz
```

Obviously, you have to replace the filename with the downloaded file name.

Step 3: Register the browser as an app

Move the extracted installation files to the **/opt** directory . On UNIX-based systems, the opt directory is reserved for optional or additional software packages that are not part of the core Linux system.

Additionally, you will need administrative privileges to copy files to that directory.

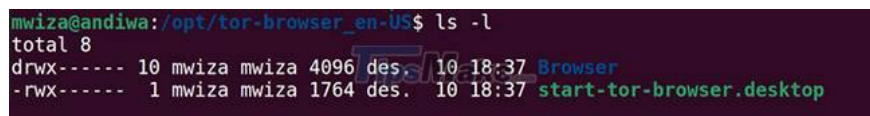
```
sudo mv tor-browser_en-US /opt
```

Now, go to the directory of the Tor Browser installation file you just copied.

```
cd /opt/tor-browser_en-US
```

If you list the contents of this directory, you'll notice that you have the **start-tor-browser.desktop** executable . This file is responsible for starting the application.

```
list -ls
```



```
mwiza@andiwa:/opt/tor-browser_en-US$ ls -l
total 8
drwx----- 10 mwiza mwiza 4096 des. 10 18:37 Browser
-rwx----- 1 mwiza mwiza 1764 des. 10 18:37 start-tor-browser.desktop
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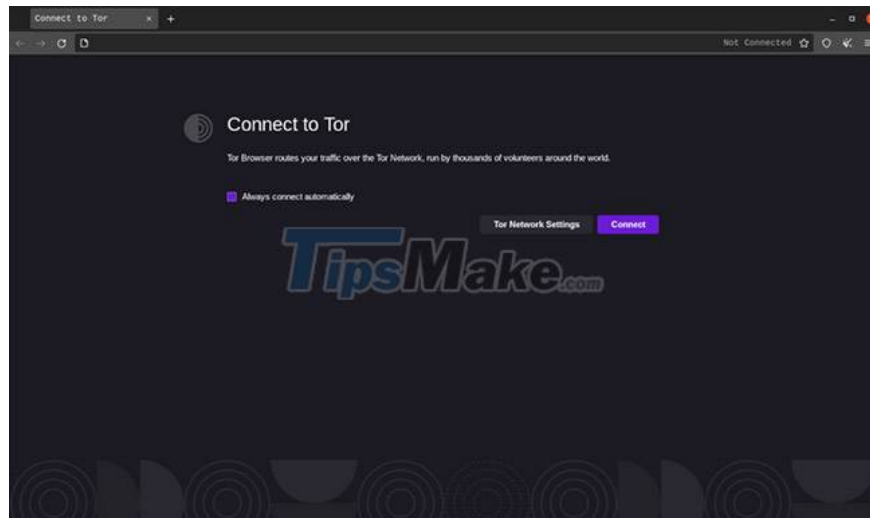
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To register the browser as a Linux application, run the following command:

```
./start-tor-browser.desktop --register-app
```

Using Tor Browser on Linux

Now that Tor Browser has been successfully installed, search for tor in the **Applications** menu and launch it to start using the browser.



You can click the **Connect** button to use encrypted connections and start your browsing sessions. You can also configure other browsing and privacy options by clicking the **Tor Network Settings** button .

This guide looked at how you can protect your personal data and profile while browsing the web by installing and using the Tor Browser. To get the most out of your browsing experience on Tor Browser, you should have a deep understanding of how it works.

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