

How to speed up Opera GX on Android

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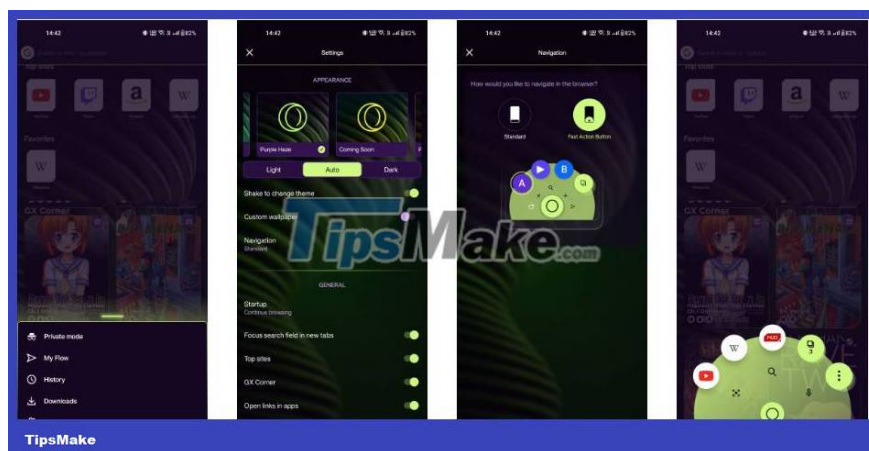
When Opera GX launched for mobile devices, it promised lightning-fast Internet browsing and loading speeds. Opera has delivered on its promise to an extent, but that doesn't mean you can't tweak Android devices or the Opera GX app to make it even faster.

Let's look at the best ways to speed up Opera GX on Android.

Activate Fast Action Button

Fast Action Button (commonly known as FAB) is an alternative and intuitive way to control and navigate in Opera. It allows you to start new searches, launch tabs, browse web content and activate voice search functionality. Here's how to enable Fast Action Button:

1. Tap the **Opera** icon in the bottom right corner of your screen.
2. Click **Settings** .
3. In the **Appearance** tab , select **Navigation** .
4. Switch from **Standard** to **Fast Action Button** .
5. Return to the main screen of Opera GX.
6. Press and hold the Fast Action Button at the bottom center of your screen and start navigating.



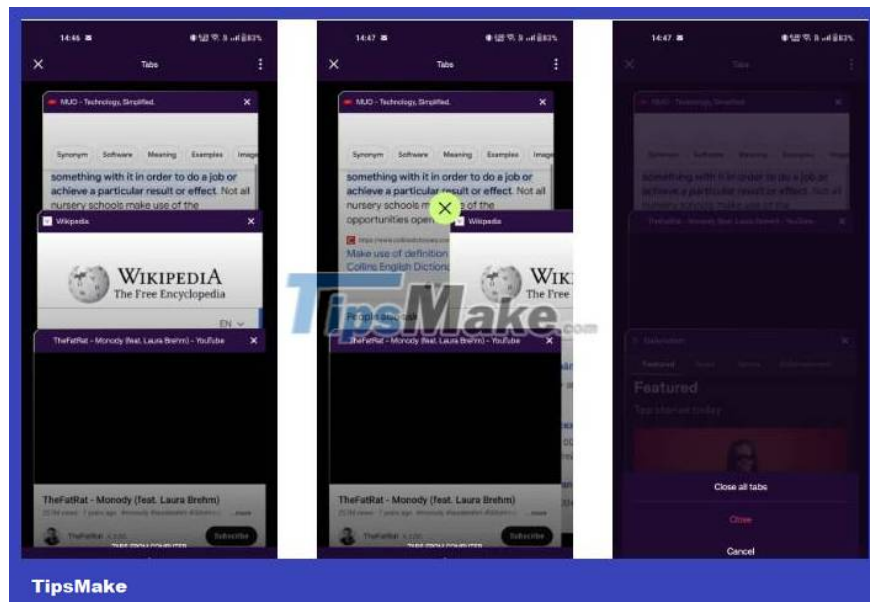
Using FAB may take some getting used to. However, once you get the hang of it, you'll notice that this is a much faster way to browse the Internet than the traditional method.

Close all opened Opera GX tabs

Unless you specifically close a tab before exiting Opera GX, it will remain open in the background, albeit with a lower priority when using resources. However, open tabs will cause Opera GX to use more RAM, use more of your Android phone's CPU, and increase battery consumption.

Here's how you can close all opened tabs in Opera GX:

1. Tap the tab icon in the lower left part of your screen.
2. Swipe each tab to the right if you want to close specific tabs.
3. Alternatively, tap **Close all** , then select **Close** again to close each tab, including the current tab.

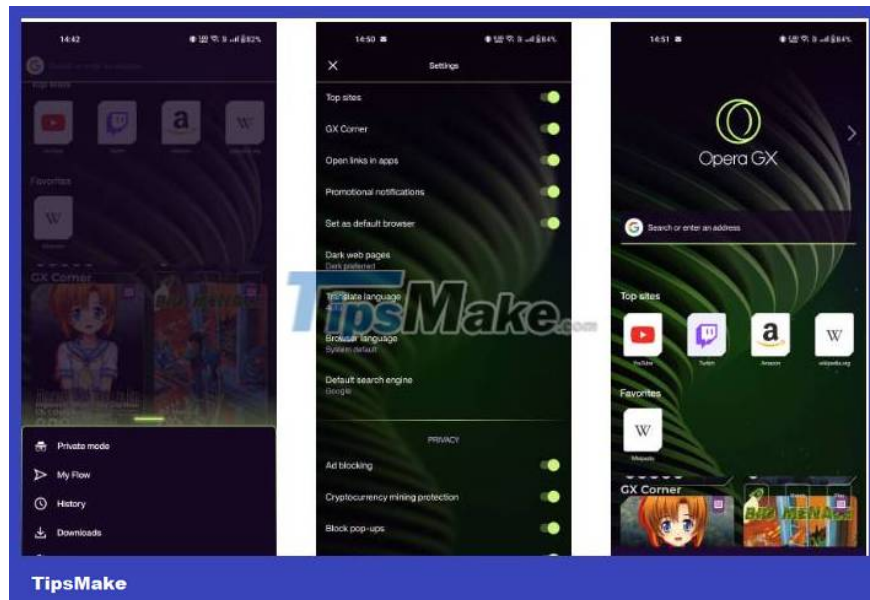


Activate top sites in Opera GX

It's also important to set up Opera GX in such a way that you can work faster when using it.

For example, instead of having to manually enter the URLs of your favorite websites into the search bar, you can display them all on the Opera GX home screen, giving you easy access with just a tap of your finger.

1. Click the **Opera** icon in the lower right corner of the screen and select **Settings** .
2. Click the slider next to **Top sites** to turn it on.



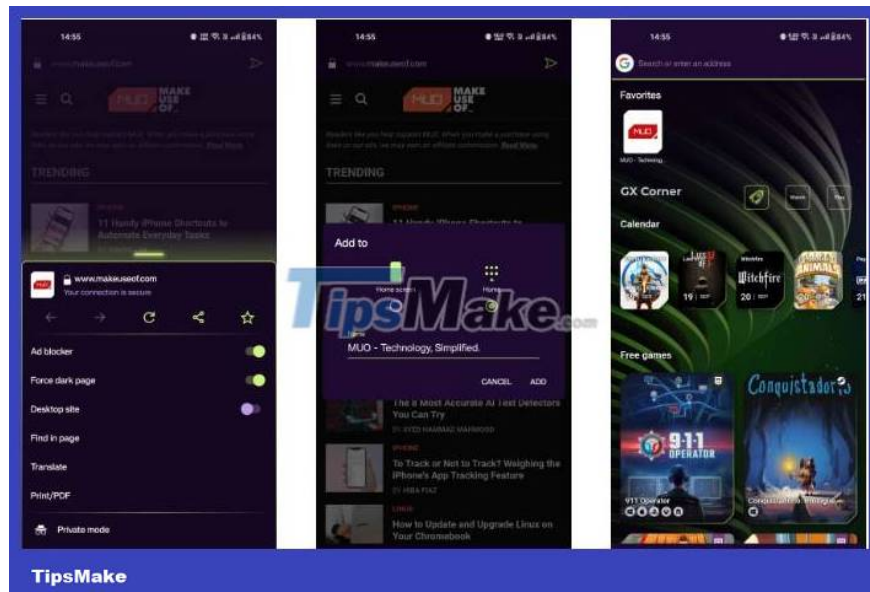
Opera GX will then populate the Top sites list with the websites you visit most often. Unfortunately, there is no way to manually edit the Top sites list in Opera GX.

Add the website to the Favorites list

This solution should be seen as an alternative to the solution listed above. Sites added to your Favorites list will appear immediately below the Top sites list. However, you have complete control over which sites you can add to the list.

Here's how to add a website to the Favorites list in Opera GX:

1. Visit the website you want to add to your Favorites list.
2. Tap the **Opera** icon , then tap the star icon in the upper right corner of the submenu.
3. **Select the Home** option .
4. Name the website and tap **ADD** .
5. Return to the Opera GX home screen and notice that the website has been added to the **Favorites list**.



To reduce clutter on the screen, the article recommends that you disable the **Top sites** feature . Just have **Favorites** on the home page.

Disable GX Corner

Opera GX has a feature loved by gamers called GX Corner, which acts as a news feed for everything related to gaming, from free giveaways to exclusive offers. However, because this news feed is updated in real time, it can cause Opera GX to increase its RAM usage and thus have a negative impact on its performance.

GX Corner is enabled by default, so here's how to disable it:

1. Click the **Opera** icon and select **Settings** .
2. Tap the slider next to **GX Corner** to turn it off.

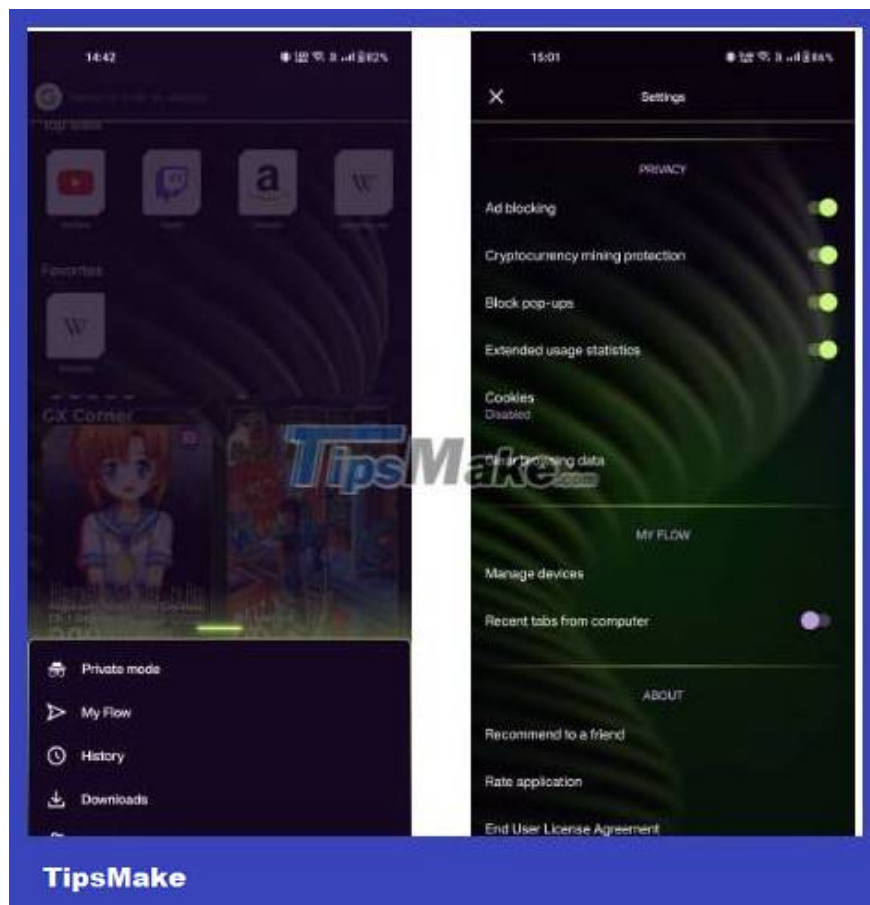


Enable ad blocking, pop-up blocking, and other protection features

Whenever you visit a website with ads, pop-ups, and other similar features, your Android device uses extra resources (including RAM and Internet data) to load them. . This number doubles whenever you visit websites that can use your device's resources to mine cryptocurrency.

Fortunately, like the full Opera browser, Opera GX for Android has a number of features that can make web browsing more efficient:

1. Click the **Opera** icon and select **Settings** .
2. Scroll down to the **Privacy** tab.
3. Tap the sliders next to the following features:
 1. Ad blocking
 2. Cryptocurrency mining protection
 3. Block pop-ups

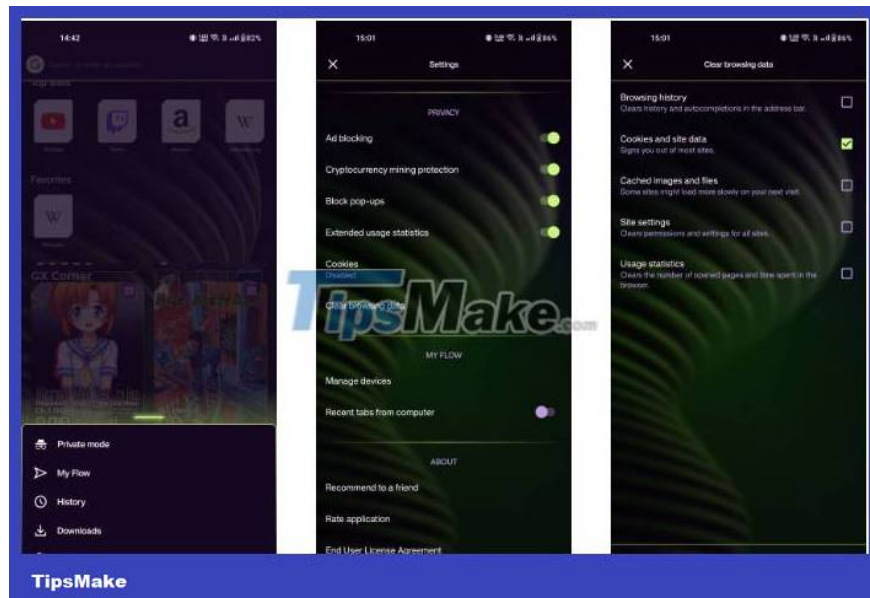


Not only will your web pages load much faster, but you will now have fewer elements on your screen that can distract you. This will help further improve your browsing efficiency and workflow.

Block cookies

Enabling cookies on a site can provide unique benefits, such as allowing faster authentication. However, in most cases, cookies can affect the browsing speed of Opera GX. This will be a two-part solution that shows you how to delete all cookies in Opera GX and how to block all cookies in the future:

1. Click the **Opera** icon and select **Settings** .
2. Scroll down to the **Privacy** tab and tap **Clear browsing data** .
3. Click to check the box next to **Cookies and site data** .
4. Tap the **X** button in the upper left corner to return to the **Privacy** tab .
5. Click **Cookies** .
6. Select **Disabled** .



All currently stored cookies will be deleted and Opera GX will stop accepting cookies during future browsing sessions.

Android tips to speed up Opera GX

In addition to the changes you can make in Opera GX, there are also some settings you can adjust in Android to make the browser faster.

Update Opera GX

Each new update brought to Opera GX is aimed at optimizing the software, with performance improvements given top priority. These improvements help speed up website load times and responsiveness effectively. Not only that, updates can also improve resource management features, such as when handling media content.

Therefore, go to Google Play and update Opera GX to the latest version just like you would update any other Android app.

Free up RAM for Android

Freeing up RAM for Android will help speed up every application running on it, not just web browsers. You're effectively giving Opera GX a larger amount of RAM on your phone. In turn, this means faster multitasking, reduced page loading and reloading, improved tab management (especially when multiple tabs are open), faster script execution, faster caching, etc. .

Every Android device has different ways to turn off background apps to free up RAM. So, use the method suitable for your device to free up all available RAM, then start using Opera GX.

Periodically clear Opera GX's application cache

Web browsers benefit from cache clearing more than any other type of application. They tend to store data and content temporarily in the cache to speed up operations, but the cache can become cluttered with useless or

outdated data. This not only slows down the browsing speed of Opera GX, but can even lead to conflicts or even errors.

Clearing the cache regularly allows Opera GX to boot with a clean slate, reducing load times. Typically, this solution has the downside of having to re-enter all your login information on all the sites you've visited. Luckily, this isn't something you need to worry about when using Opera GX, thanks to the **Flow** feature that saves all your data.

Like the previous method, each Android device has a different interface, so follow that to clear Opera GX's app cache.



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