

## Built on Ubuntu

Trisquel derived from Ubuntu and is only based on Ubuntu LTS releases.

By doing so, Trisquel is able to make Ubuntu's wealth of current and stable programs available for easy download. The exception is that the Ubuntu-based software repositories have been scrubbed of proprietary software.

Moreover, by building on LTS releases, you can be confident that the Trisquel system is reliable and stable.

## Powered by GNOME

Trisquel's standard edition runs a customized version of the GNOME Flashback desktop environment.

By doing so, Trisquel is available for a larger number of machines, regardless if they are a few years old and do not include 3D acceleration. This means that Trisquel is accessible to even more users without sacrificing a modern look and feel.



## Freedom Needs You

Every contribution to Trisquel GNU/Linux is greatly appreciated. Whether those contributions come in the form of donations, documentation updates, or simply just answering questions in the forums. Trisquel would be nothing without it's strong community and contributors.

The project is currently looking to expand this community. Again, any and all help is welcomed; however, Trisquel could really benefit from programmers who can commit code to Trisquel to solve the issues posted at <http://trisquel.info/en/project/issues>.

By becoming an active contributor to the Trisquel project, you are not only helping the distro achieve its goals, but you are also helping to lessen the grip that proprietary software has on the world. As Trisquel grows and gains recognition, more users will be participating in the testing of the OS and the number of feature enhancement requests will also grow. To be able to keep up with these requests and keep Trisquel stable and reliable, the project needs more programmers who can commit code to lessen the number of open issues or who can commit code that would add user requested functionality.

Contact us today on how you can help spread libre/free Software by contributing to Trisquel GNU/Linux.

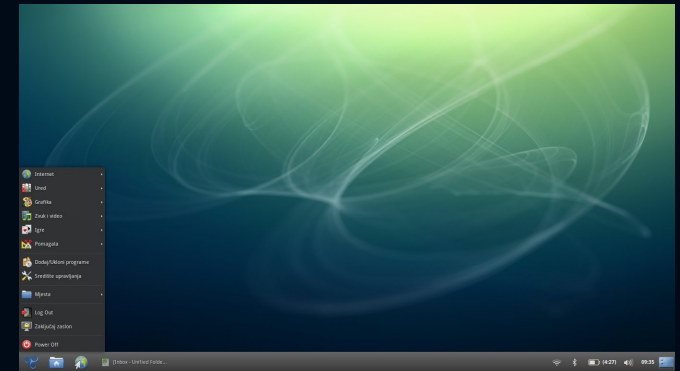
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An easy-to-use operating system that is a fully free software system without proprietary software or firmware.

Trisquel GNU/Linux's philosophy can be summarized in three simple words:

*Libre. Gratis. Accessibilis.*



Trisquel GNU/Linux is fully endorsed and recommended by the Free Software Foundation.



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# What is Trisquel GNU/Linux?

Trisquel GNU/Linux is a Linux-based operating system derived from Ubuntu, but uses a version of the Linux kernel with the non-free code ( better known as “binary blobs”) removed. The Trisquel base version uses a GNOME 3 Flashback desktop environment.

The project's goal is to provide a stable, easy-to-use operating system that can be quickly adopted by new users. It comes ready for home and office use, and new programs are easy to find and install.

Additionally, advanced users will find that the Trisquel system is easily customizable, contains a familiar workflow, and does not restrict the user from getting “under the hood.”

Those users who require special accessibility options will find everything they need to be able to use the operating system efficiently and effectively already preinstalled.

The distro provides this feature-rich functionality while still protecting users' liberty, privacy, and market-freedom.

All of this is absolutely free of charge and always will be!



## Libre

Trisquel is considered to be “libre software” or free software in the software freedom sense. This means that our users may, with any part of Trisquel, or even all of it:

- Run
- Audit/Study/Modify
- Copy & Distribute
- Modify & Distribute

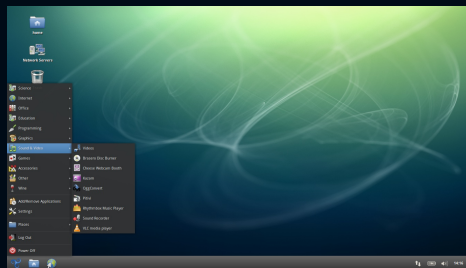


Trisquel's ideology closely parallels the Free Software Foundation's ideology in that:

“We campaign for these freedoms because everyone deserves them. With these freedoms, the users (both individually and collectively) control the program and what it does for them. When users don't control the program, we call it a “nonfree” or “proprietary” program. The nonfree program controls the users, and the developer controls the program; this makes the program an instrument of unjust power.”

--FSF.

<http://www.gnu.org/philosophy/free-sw.html>



## Gratis

Trisquel is available gratis (free of charge). There is no obligation to buy anything. We want you to use and enjoy Trisquel ... guilt free.

However, if you choose to support the project financially, there are several different ways you can do so. One of which is to donate directly to the project via the website's Donate page: <https://trisquel.info/en/donate>.

Another way to support Trisquel GNU/Linux is to head over to the Trisquel Store and purchase branded merchandise. All proceeds from the Trisquel Store go in supporting the distro.

Additionally, you can buy your hardware from ThinkPenguin. Everytime you buy a product from ThinkPenguin 25% of its profits will be donated to the Trisquel project. To make Trisquel get a donation, you must buy your products only from this URL: <http://libre.thinkpenguin.com>.

## Accessibilis

Trisquel's standard edition comes with a host of accessibility features. These features include:

- Read screen aloud and/or Read screen in Braille for the visually impaired.
- Flash the screen for alert sounds for the hearing impaired.
- Adjust speed of the mouse/touchpad and keyboard navigation for the mobility impaired.
- And many others

