

Welcome to Ubuntu

Ubuntu features *Unity*, a reimagined way to use your computer. Unity is designed to minimise distractions, give you more room to work, and help you get things done.

This guide is designed to answer your questions about using Unity and your Ubuntu desktop. First we will take a moment to look at some Unity's key features, and how you can use them.

Getting started with Unity



The Launcher

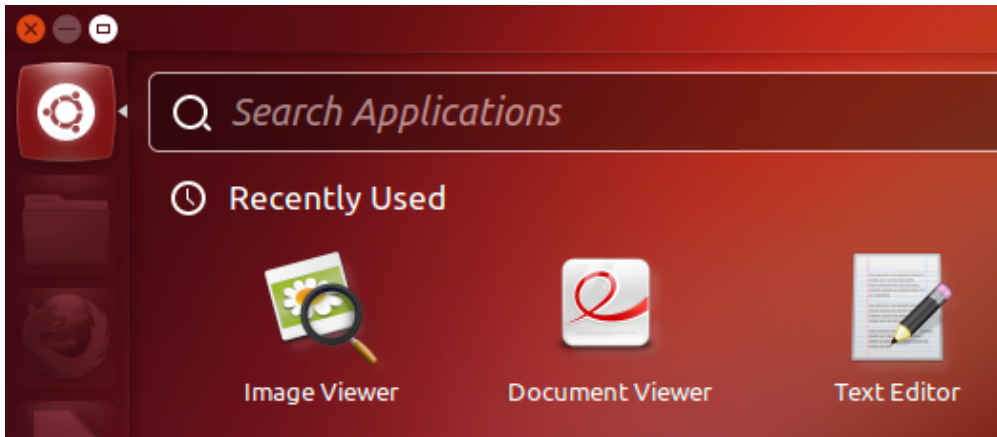


The Launcher appears automatically when you log in to your desktop, and gives you quick access to the applications you use most often.

• [Learn more about the Launcher.](#)

The Dash

The Ubuntu Button sits near the top left corner of the screen and is always the top item in the Launcher. If you click the Ubuntu Button, Unity will present you with an additional feature of the desktop, the Dash.



The *Dash* is designed to make it easier to find, open, and use apps, files, music, and more. For example, if you type the word "document" into the *Search Bar*, the Dash will show you applications that help you write and edit documents. It will also show you relevant folders and documents that you have been working on recently.

- [Learn more about the Dash.](#)

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