

Use Boot Camp in Parallels Desktop

- Parallels Desktop for Mac Standard Edition
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Note: this article only applies to Intel-based Mac computers, as the Boot Camp® feature is currently not available on <u>Mac computers with M1 chip</u>.

I have Windows installed on my Mac via Boot Camp, how can I use it in Parallels Desktop?

Information

1. Launch Parallels Desktop and select **File > New** on Mac menu bar to create Windows virtual machine.

2. In the appeared Parallels Desktop Installation Assistant window choose **Use Windows from Boot Camp**, then follow the onscreen instructions to set up your existing Windows in Parallels Desktop.



3. After passing the customization screen you will get a confirmation screen that Windows or some of its application may ask for reactivation, proceed further by clicking on Continue .
Your Windows virtual machine will be created in the chosen location on your Mac hard drive.
When you launch Windows in Parallels Desktop for the first time, Parallels Tools drivers will install automatically allowing seamless operation between Windows and macOS. Once Parallels Tools are installed, you will be prompted to restart Windows.
After creating Boot Camp based Windows virtual machine in Parallels Desktop you can still use the original Boot Camp Windows installation separately from Parallels Desktop.

Transfer Boot Camp Windows installation to a new Mac

Please see <u>KB 113658</u> for more information about importing your Boot Camp installation into a virtual machine and then transferring it to the new Mac.

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