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Thread: [Make your current desktop a virtual machine - Tutorial](#)

Mr. Robot - April 29, 2017, 8:07 pm

So just thought I would throw this out there. Basically in a few easy steps, you can make your current desktop - files/profiles and everything a virtual environment for a backup or for usage.

Basically download this

<https://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/sysinternals/ee656415.aspx>

Select your drive like I have in this picture - choose what the output file name/location will be and hit create

Now open up virtual box - Click New - name it what you want and select the type of machine it is, don't add hard drive now.

Then click settings after you make it, Click storage then hit the green plus button at the bottom.

Click IDE Then hit choose existing disk, then choose your file you made (VHD)

Now you can hit start and enjoy it!

Here's a video I made for those who don't understand. Sorry it's so long, was running some other shit at the same time.

/Ninja - April 30, 2017, 3:39 am

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Mr. Robot - April 30, 2017, 6:03 am

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/Ninja - April 30, 2017, 1:00 pm

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I use linux as my main OS tho. im sure there is a way to do the exact same thing however

brknbt5 - May 11, 2017, 2:37 am

Great post, have been looking for something like this for a while.

EliteShip - May 13, 2017, 1:34 pm

Good, never tried but i will

Longdog - May 13, 2017, 1:38 pm

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gringo - May 13, 2017, 2:28 pm

(May 13, 2017 01:38 PM)Local Junkie Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Always keep a VHD of windows to test malware / reverse engineer it!

Very interesting if you have the hardware to support it, I always just run a stripped version of XP to reduce load but I might just actually do this to reverse on instead, thanks.

demonbruno - May 16, 2017, 1:09 pm

Thanks for the post, the concept is very interesting. Gonna bookmark it to use later when i restore my pc =)

babloki - May 16, 2017, 5:16 pm

thanks for the post this was really helpful to me

monika1246 - February 6, 2018, 8:38 am

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nyx322 - February 6, 2018, 10:27 am

Thanks for sharing, try this out later

Mr. Robot - April 16, 2018, 6:35 am

(Feb 6, 2018 09:38 AM)Kr3pto Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) that could be a life saving thing
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I feel like everyone should do this just incase!

Mr. Robot - June 8, 2018, 5:24 am

This is still extremely helpful for all of you.

Mr. Robot - July 1, 2019, 2:48 am

Just used this one again myself. Extremely handy.

Last_viking - July 3, 2019, 1:00 pm

HQ tech tip this can be used as backup agent

dcn.cristi - *July 4, 2019, 2:36 pm*

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Mr. Robot - *August 31, 2019, 2:49 pm*

(Jul 4, 2019 02:36 PM)dcn.cristi Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Great post, thanks for sharing.

No problem dude hope it helps you.