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Thread: [Embed .dll To .exe](#)

L33TPr0xY - October 30, 2018, 5:20 pm

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gigajew - October 30, 2018, 6:14 pm

Use ILMerge, here's the project website <https://github.com/dotnet/ILMerge>
For a GUI version search ILMergeGUI

L33TPr0xY - October 30, 2018, 10:02 pm

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0xBB - October 31, 2018, 12:19 am

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L33TPr0xY - October 31, 2018, 3:14 am

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What do you mean by "nothing works"? It should work, I'm using it as well. What's the problem exactly?

Vyxn - October 31, 2018, 7:29 pm

Why all those working suggestion doesn't work with you? What are you doing with them?

Nick (Name) - November 1, 2018, 8:51 am

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Did you properly setup the configuration file for Fody in the project? You have to specify each assembly you want embedded into to main assembly.

sh@rp - November 1, 2018, 3:24 pm

VisualPlus libraries are strong signing..... does costura take care about this while trying to merge...???

xHeaven - November 1, 2018, 4:19 pm

Check if your project file contains something like this (.vbproj):

```
Code <Import Project="..\packages\Costura.Fody.3.1.4\build\Costura.Fody.props"
Condition="Exists('..\packages\Costura.Fody.3.1.4\build\Costura.Fody.props')"/> />
```

AND you have a file named FodyWeavers.xml in your project folder (the one that contains the bin, Resources, Properties etc folders), that contains the following lines:

```
Code <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8" ?>
<Weavers>
  <Costura/>
</Weavers>
```

And post your Build window, we can help more if we can see more than "it doesn't work".

Anesthesia_Love - November 11, 2018, 10:48 am

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Can you pm your program im interested in it.

Profesorel - November 11, 2018, 11:21 am

use Costura.Fody from nugget :D