youtube2mp3 · install guide

Save any YouTube video as **MP3** (audio) or **MP4** (video, up to 1080p) with one click in Chrome. Free. smartapz.com/youtube2mp3

Two small parts: a Chrome extension (the button) and a helper program on your computer that does the download. Setup takes about 5 minutes.

Windows 10 / 11 · one line (works with Smart App Control)

1. Press `Win+X` and click **Terminal** (or **Windows PowerShell**).
2. Paste this line and press `Enter`. Wait until it says **All set** (a few minutes the first time):

   ```
   irm https://smartapz.com/youtube2mp3/install.ps1 | iex
   ```

   It downloads youtube2mp3, checks it, and installs what it needs (Python if missing, yt-dlp, ffmpeg). No admin. Run it again any time to update.
3. In Chrome (`chrome://extensions`, the installer opens it): turn on **Developer mode** (top right) → **Load unpacked** → click the folder box, press `Ctrl+V`, `Enter`, **Select Folder** (the installer copied the path `%LOCALAPPDATA%\youtube2mp3\extension`). Then pin youtube2mp3 (puzzle-piece icon). Added it before? Just click ↻ on its card.

> **Other ways. youtube2mp3-setup.exe** from the site: a normal setup wizard, then step 3. It isn't signed: if Windows says "Windows protected your PC", click **More info → Run anyway**. With Smart App Control on the .exe is blocked, so use the one line. **Manual:** extract youtube2mp3.zip, type `powershell` in the folder's address bar, paste:
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> ```
> Get-ChildItem -Recurse | Unblock-File
> powershell -ExecutionPolicy Bypass -File (Get-ChildItem -Recurse -Filter install-windows.ps1 | Select-Object -First 1).FullName
> ```
>
> then step 3.

Mac / Linux

1. Download youtube2mp3.zip from the site, unzip, open Terminal and run:

   ```
   cd ~/Downloads/youtube2mp3
   bash install.sh
   ```

   It fetches what it needs (Python 3 must be installed: python.org).
2. `chrome://extensions` → Developer mode → Load unpacked →
   Mac: `~/Library/Application Support/youtube2mp3/extension` (`Cmd+Shift+G` to paste a path)
   Linux: `~/.local/share/youtube2mp3/extension`
3. Pin youtube2mp3.

How to use

1. Open a YouTube video and click the youtube2mp3 icon.
2. Choose **MP3** (audio) or **MP4** (video, up to 1080p).
3. Click **Download**. The file lands in your **Downloads** folder; you can close the popup meanwhile.

Also: right-click a YouTube page or link → "Download MP3/MP4".

Updates

When a new version is out, the popup shows **Update available** — click **Update now**. That's it.
The helper keeps yt-dlp up to date by itself. If something still stops working (YouTube changes often): paste the one line again (Mac/Linux: `bash install.sh`), then click the reload arrow ↻ on the youtube2mp3 card in `chrome://extensions`. Downloading dozens of videos in a row may make YouTube slow you down for a while; that's temporary.

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