



What is Classic Shell?

Classic Shell™ is free software that improves your productivity, enhances the usability of Windows and empowers you to use the computer the way you like it. The main features are:

- Highly customizable start menu with multiple styles and skins
- Quick access to recent, frequently-used, or pinned programs
- Find programs, settings, files and documents
- Start button for Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows 8.1 and Windows 10
- Toolbar and status bar for Windows Explorer
- Caption and status bar for Internet Explorer

Classic Shell has been in active development for 6 years and has tens of millions of downloads.

The latest stable version of Classic Shell is [4.3.0](#)

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If you are having problems uninstalling or upgrading Classic Shell, please read [this forum post](#).

History

News

More news

Jul 30th, 2016 - General release 4.3.0 is out

It officially supports the Anniversary Update for Windows 10. More details [here](#).

May 22nd, 2016 - Beta version 4.2.7 is out

QFE fix for a crash bug in beta version 4.2.6 that affects 32-bit Windows 10.

May 21st, 2016 - Beta version 4.2.6 is out

It improves support for Windows 10 Redstone, adds taskbar skinning, menu animations, and many new features. More details [here](#).

May 21st, 2016 - Released version 4.2.5c with updated security certificate

Nov 14th, 2015 - General release 4.2.5 is out

It improves support for Windows 10 TH2 and adds more transparency settings for the skins. More details [here](#).

Classic Start Menu

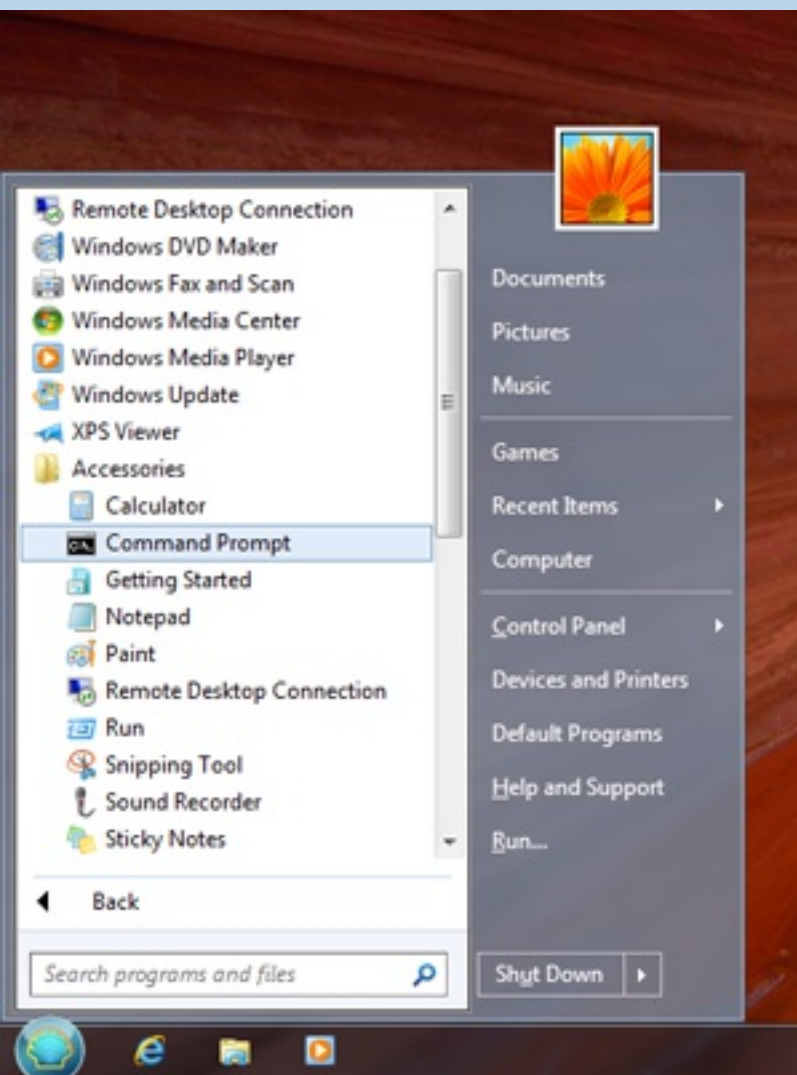
See all features

Choose between 3 different styles:

Classic

Two columns

Windows 7



The Classic Start Menu is compatible with:

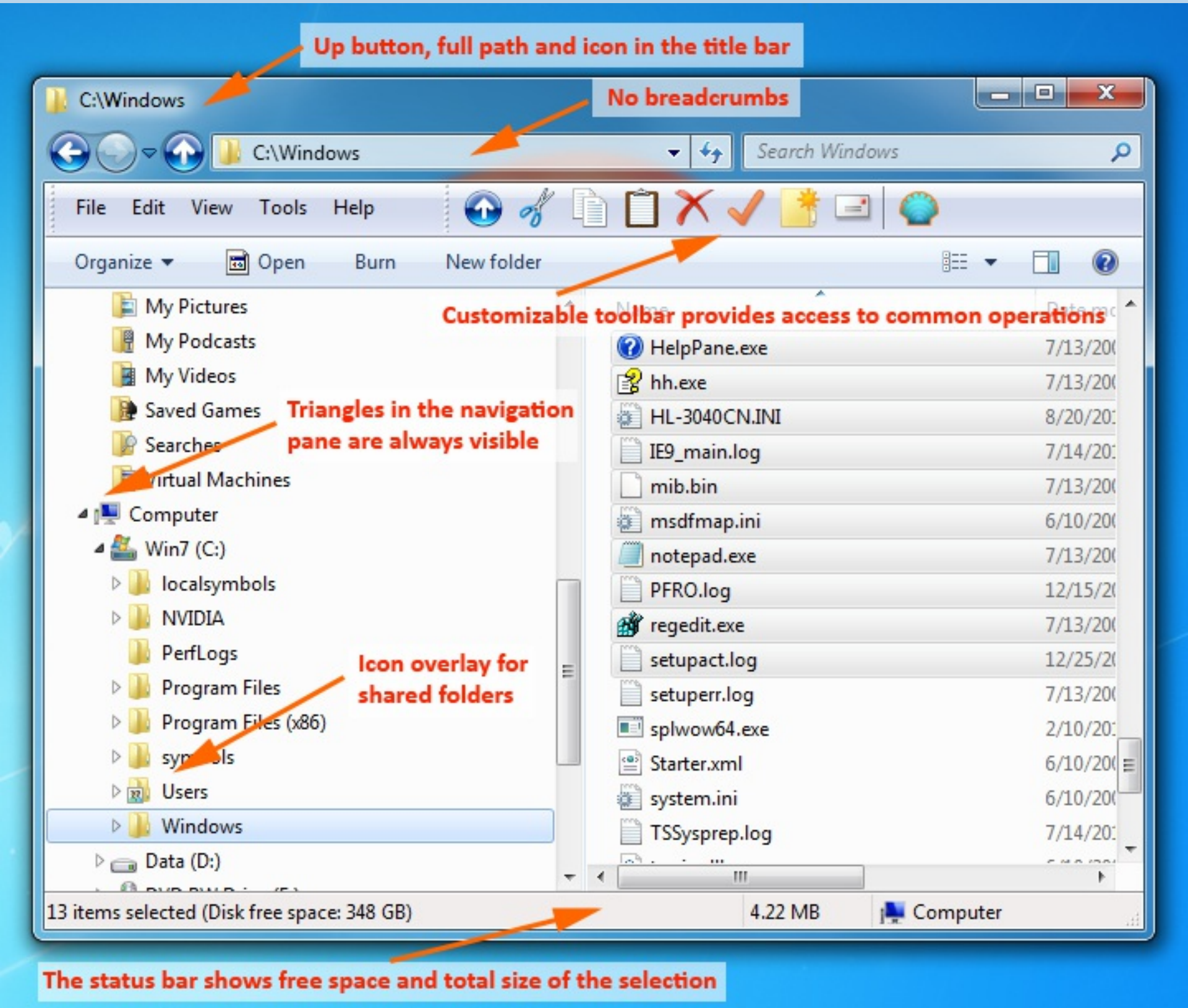


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Classic Explorer

See all features

Many usability improvements to Explorer (every feature can be turned on or off):



Get Help

- [Read the F.A.Q.](#)
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- [Report a bug or submit a feature request](#)
- [Learn how to make your own skin](#)
- [Learn how to make your own start button](#)

Testimonials

More

"So happy to find this program. Very well made with lots of options. Makes Windows 7 worth using. Saves me from daily frustration. Thank you so much!"
Eric

"Brilliant! No more frustration, I can work just like I used to! Thank you!"
Anonymous Donor

System Requirements

Classic Shell works on Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows 8.1, Windows 10 and their server counterparts (Windows Server 2008 R2, Windows Server 2012, Windows Server 2012 R2, Windows Server 2016). Both 32 and 64-bit versions are supported. The same installer works for all versions.

Note: Windows RT is not supported.

Friends of Classic Shell

Here are some of the people, who made significant contributions to the Classic Shell project:

- Gaurav Kale** - testing, feature requests and user experience consultant
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- JohnEdwa** - custom skins and feature requests
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