

How to Change Your Default Search Engine in Edge

Microsoft's new Edge browser uses Bing as its default search engine, but there's a good chance you prefer Google or another search engine. Edge can use any search engine that supports OpenSearch as its default.

Get More Search Engines

All you need to do is visit the search engine's website — that's it. If you want to install Google, visit Google's homepage. For DuckDuckGo, visit DuckDuckGo's homepage. Not every search engine supports OpenSearch yet, but search engines will add support for this very quickly to stay up with the times.

Change Your Default Search Engine

To change your search provider, open Microsoft Edge and click the menu button — that's the button with three horizontal dots at the top-right corner of the Edge window. Select "Settings" in the menu. It is located at the bottom of the list.

Scroll down in the Settings panel and click the "View advanced settings" button near the bottom.

Scroll down again in the Advanced settings list and you'll see the "Search in the address bar with" box. Click it and select "Add new."

You'll see a list of available search providers. Select the search engine you want to use and click "Add as default."

If the search engine you want to use doesn't appear here, be sure you've visited the search engine's homepage first. If you have and it still doesn't appear, that search engine doesn't support OpenSearch yet. You may want to contact the search engine and ask it to support OpenSearch so you can use it as your default search engine in Microsoft Edge.