

Customize the Behavior of the Start Menu

The Start Menu is more customizable in Windows 10 than it was in Windows 7 and Windows XP. In Settings, there's a big section of settings that allow you to decide whether to

- Show your most used apps.
- Show your recently added apps.
- Use the full-screen Start Menu.
- Show recently opened items in Jump Lists on Start or on the taskbar.
- Show which folders appear on Start. (which is mostly a list of simple switches that you can turn on or off.)

To access the settings that allow you to customize how the Start Menu works, follow these steps:

1. Open Settings.
2. Click Personalization. All of the available personalization settings are shown.
3. Click Start. The previous Start Menu customization options are shown.
4. Set the Start Menu as you want it to behave, using the available switches.
5. When done, close Settings. If you want to set which folders appear on the Start Menu, start the preceding steps. At Step 4, click Choose Which Folders Appear On Start, then set the folders that you want to appear to On and those that you don't want to appear to Off.