

BitchX instructions

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- Install it
 - on Debian : apt-get install bitchx
 - on Gentoo : emerge sync; emerge bitchx
 - there is a Windows version and even a Mac version but I don't know them
 - get all info from <http://bitchx.org>
- launch it, in a console
 - `bitchx my_name irc.freenode.net`
- First time ?
 - `/msg nickserv register my-password-not-too-secret`
- and then
 - `/join #tikiwiki`
 - `/who`
 - hi all
 - `/me bows deeply`
- configure it in `.BitchX/`
 - `/save`
 - edit generated `~/.BitchX/BitchX.sav` and `~/.BitchX/BitchX.formats`
 - `/load ~/.BitchX/BitchX.sav`
 - `/load ~/.BitchX/BitchX.formats`

ChatZilla

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Install: <http://extensionroom.mozdev.org/#chatzilla>

The easy way: <irc://irc.freenode.net/tikiwiki>

The clickable way ...

1. Start the chatzilla session.
2. Click on Freenode in the moznet tab.
3. Then type in the message field

`/join #tikiwiki`

Gaim Instructions

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- Install it
 - on Debian: apt-get install gaim
 - on Gentoo: emerge sync; emerge gaim
 - on Mandriva: urpmi gaim
 - on Windows: download the installer and follow the instructions (wizard installer)
- Launch it
 - Linux: Alt+F2 (desktop environment) or command line (console, terminal): gaim
 - Windows: Run from start menu or desktop icon
- Add IRC account
 - Click the 'accounts' option, or find 'accounts' in the tools menu
 - Select 'add' to create a new IRC account
 - Set the protocol to 'IRC' in the dropdown
 - choose a screenname (nick in IRC terms)
 - put 'irc.freenode.net' into the server field
 - Press 'OK'
- Log in
 - From the Account Editor dialog, check the box next to the account you just added in the 'online' column
 - You can close the account editor now

- Join #tikiwiki
 - In the 'Buddies' menu, select 'Add a chat...'
 - From the drop down select your IRC account
 - Put #tikiwiki into the channel
 - Press 'OK'
- Welcome!

HydraIRC instructions

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- Download HydraIRC from <http://www.hydrairc.com>
- On the first run, you will be prompted to create a new identity, click "Yes" when asked to do this. Fill out all the fields (they are self-explanatory). Click OK
- Type `"/server irc.freenode.net"` (without quotes)
- Once connected, type `"/join #tikiwiki"` (again, without quotes)

Miranda instructions

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1. Download Miranda v0.3.1 or better from <http://www.miranda-im.org/>
2. Check at least the IRC protocol at install time
3. Launch Miranda, click on the "M" and then Options
4. In Network, IRC specify Freenode: random server in the server name drop-down list
5. Also fill the "User Info - Required" section
6. Click on Apply or OK directly if you won't adjust other optional options
7. Click on the "M" again and go to the IRC menu, Join Channel
8. Specify #tikiwiki

mIRC instructions

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1. Download mIRC from <http://www.mirc.co.uk>
2. Options dialog will open after splash screen, configure "Full Name" (your name is fine, most people use a quote or some witty phrase), "Email Address" if desired, and "Nickname"
3. Click OK (not "Connect to server")
4. Type `/server irc.freenode.net` (without quotes)
5. Once connected, type `/join #tikiwiki` (again, without quotes)

Netscape

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Netscape version 7.1 includes ChatZilla - earlier versions may include it as well.
The easy way: `irc://irc.freenode.net/tikiwiki` (read Chatzilla instructions above)

Trillian instructions

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- Download and install the free version of Trillian for Windows (Free)
- Right click Trillian tray icon, click **Connection Manager...**
 - Select *IRC* as **Chat Medium** in upper left hand corner
 - Click **Add** at the lower left hand corner
 - Type *freenode* in **Description**
 - Type *irc.freenode.net* in **Server**
 - Select *Random* in **Country**
 - Leave **Port** alone
 - Type *freenode* in **Group**
 - Leave **Password** blank
 - Click **OK**
 - You are now back in **Connection Manager**; click the *freenode* server you just added in the serverlist on the left
 - Fill out the **Personal Information** fields any way you like
 - Click the **Perform Buffer** tab
 - Check **On connection...**
 - Type */join #tikiwiki* in the text box
 - Click **Connect** in the upper right hand corner
- Right click Trillian tray icon, click **Options/Preferences...**

- Scroll down to **Chatting Services** on the left; click **IRC**
- Check **Connect on startup**; type *irc.freenode.net* in the **to...** field

Voila! Trillian will now automatically logon to *irc.freenode.net* and join *#tikiwiki* on startup.

Trillian Pro instructions

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- Download and install Trillian Pro
- Right click Trillian tray icon, click **Connection Manager...**
 - Click **Add** to the right of the account list, and go to "IRC" in the drop-down menu
 - Click *Add* below the server tree on the left
 - Type *freenode* in **Description**
 - Type *irc.freenode.net* in **Server**
 - Select *Random* in **Country**
 - Leave **Port** alone
 - Type *freenode* in **Group**
 - Leave **Password** blank
 - Click **OK**
 - Fill out the **Personal Information** fields any way you like
 - Click the **Perform Buffer** tab
 - Check **On connection...**
 - Type */join #tikiwiki* in the text box
 - Click *Create and Connect*
 - You are now back in **Connection Manager**; click the *irc.freenode.net* account you

just added in the serverlist on the left

- Click *Preferences*
- Check **Automatically connect to this account on startup**
- Click *Save Settings*
- Click *Close* in the Connection Manager

Voila! Trillian Pro will now automatically logon to irc.freenode.net and join #tikiwiki on startup.

X-Chat instructions

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- Install it
 - on Gentoo: emerge sync; emerge xchat
 - on Debian: apt-get install xchat.
 - on Mandriva: urpmi xchat
 - Windows: download, install, setup, run
- launch it
- a Server list window will open
 - add you nickname and details on top
 - search for the Free Node network in the left pane, select it
 - you should see some freenode servers appearing in the right hand "servers" pane
- choose to join channels: #tikiwiki (if you are joining other channels be sure to use commas with **no** spaces between each channel you wish to auto-join)

- click auto-connect at start-up
- click connect
- welcome!

KVIrc instructions

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- Download and install (various platforms) KVIrc.Ru, KVIrc.Net
- Click menu "Settings -> Configure Servers..."
- Find "Freenode -> irc.freenode.net"
- Click "Advanced..."
 - Set "Username" and "Password" on page "Identity"
 - Go to page "Join Channels" and "Add" channel #tikiwiki
 - Click "Ok"
- Click "Connect Now"
- welcome!

Web based: CGI:IRC

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Good option if you are behind a firewall that doesn't allow using the previous methods...

- Linux-Québec via CGI:IRC — copy paste works. These guys are great!

Web based: tiki-pjirc.php

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If you are logged in tw.o and have the Java Runtime Environment installed, you should be able to connect to irc through:

<http://tikiwiki.org/tiki-pjirc.php>

Changing passwords

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- Tell nickserv your old password first
 - /msg nickserv identify youoldpassword
 - nickserv will log you in
 - /msg nickserv set password newpassword
- lost? try /msg nickserv help set password

Bip IRC proxy

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Bip is an IRC proxy, which means it keeps connected to your preferred IRC servers, can store the logs for you, and even send them back to your IRC client(s) upon connection.

<http://bip.milkypond.org/>

ZNC IRC bouncer

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<http://wiki.znc.in/ZNC>