

Desktop-Management

This topic assumes you are using one of the recommended distros or remasters.

Almost everything on the Puppy desktop can be customized. Experiment a little to see what can be done (you should backup your save file/folder first)

-click Menu>Desktop>JWM Desktop Manager



Some helpful notes:

Windows Effects (if present)

This mostly controls transparency, and is not normally changed

Backgrounds

-click the Background button

You can now select a new background and use the display controls on the right side of the window. The background images are stored in the /usr/share/backgrounds directory. If you have your own images or photos you wish to use, just copy them into that directory and they will be listed. Common formats like .jpg, .png, .svg are all recognized.

Conky (if present)

Conky controls the text info panel on the right side of the desktop

Desktop Icons

Any file or directory can be placed on the desktop, just use Rox to drag and drop it.

Change an Icon

- right click the existing icon
 - choose item containing the icon name
 - click Set Icon
 - use Rox to navigate to an icon directory
 - drag and drop the new icon into the window
- Here are the most common locations for icons:

/usr/share/pixmaps

/usr/share/icons

/usr/local/lib/X11

Desktop Applications

You can add an installed application to the desktop. Application launchers (file that starts the app) are stored in /usr/share/applications. Use Rox to drag and drop a launcher to the desktop. You can right click the new icon and change its name (Edit Item or Rename).

Applications in a Directory

Just like desktop applications, use Rox to drag and drop a launcher to the directory, then choose copy from the action menu.

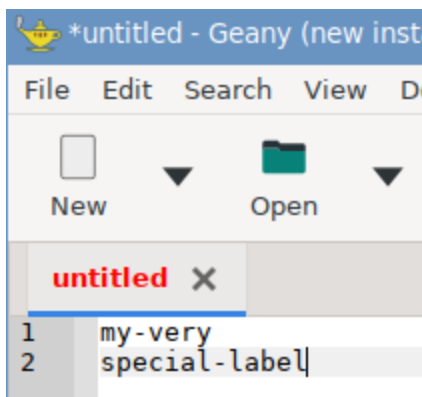
What if a window opens and the top is off the screen

Hold down the Alt key and drag the window down

Two Line Desktop Icon Labels

Icon labels in directories automatically wrap to two lines. Desktop icon labels do not. To get two line desktop icons:

- open Menu>Document>Geany
- type your label on two lines
- press ctrl a (this marks the label)
- press ctrl c (this copies the label)



- click Edit Item
- press ctrl v (this paste the two line label into the box)
- click OK



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