

Latest ClamXAV Releases for macOS

ClamXAV v3.1

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  Affected co Privileged Helper Tool

  Affected versions: ClamXAV 3.3 - 3.11

  Impact: A local attacker can execute arbitrary code with system privileges.

  Thanks to Xusheng Li for reporting this to us.

ClamXAV v3.11 - 2nd September 2026

- Fully compatible with macOS 27
- In-app update notices (when checking in the background only) now use macOS notifications instead of a modal dialog, to prevent interrupting your workflow.
- Fixed an issue that could prevent checking for app updates in the background.
- Improved handling of subscription renewals.
- Added ability to isolate an infected device from the network.*

  * Only available for devices managed by Xenia.

- Fix intermittent failure to send email alerts after a detection during Quick Scan.
- Scanning engine security update

ClamXAV v3.10.2 - 2nd July 2026

- Fix for timezone issue causing scheduled scans to repeat unexpectedly under certain conditions

ClamXAV v3.10.1 - 15th June 2026

- ClickFix protection now also covers drag & dropped text
- ClickFix protection now also covers AppleScript links
- Improved handling of machine sleep state after scheduled scans
- Fix for an issu ertain circumstance
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- Fix for DST bu
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ClamXAV v3.10 - 30th March 2026

- ClamXAV can now monitor your clipboard to protect against Click-Fix malware campaigns*
  * This can be enabled in ClamXAV Settings -> Advanced.
- Xenia users can enforce the clearing of the clipboard upon detection of malicious contents
- Computers managed by Xenia can now automatically install ClamXAV app updates without being pushed by an admin
- Improvements when re-activating a previously-deactivated machine (no longer need to wait ~24 hours)
- Improved handling of scheduled DB updates when the update fails
- Failed DB updates no longer produce an annoying dialog as they’re automatically rescheduled anyway
- The QuickScan no longer shows the names of items it’s looking for

- Fixed an issue where entering an invalid registration key could ClamXAV to be stuck in an inoperable state
- Fixed an issue that caused a full database download on every update
- Fixed an issue that caused scheduled scan settings to be ignored under specific circumstances
- Fixed an issue that caused the Reports Window (for updates) to list the wrong DB version
- Fixed an issue that could lead to runaway CPU usage for the menu item (ClamXAV UI Helper)

ClamXAV v3.9.2 - 13th January 2026

- Improved handling of scheduled scans when drive to be scanned is unavailable
- Improve accuracy of DB update scheduler
- Improve accuracy of file counter
- Fix issue where DB update may be delayed if Xenia connection drops and re-establishes itself
- Malware dete after a scan completes ra
- Fix Dutch loc

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ClamXAV v3.9

- Improvements in remote management via Xenia

ClamXAV v3.9 - 19th June 2025

- Refer-a-friend has been added to the ClamXAV menu item *
- The ClamXAV menu item links out to our new account management pages *
- You can now deactivate/re-enable your devices yourself.
- Improved the appearance of the About box in Dark Mode.
- Drag & Drop section has been improved to show the name of the last item scanned.
- Items with schedules are now badged in the Source List.
- You can now right-click an infected item and choose to exclude it from future scans.
- ClamXAV no longer needs access to Contacts data to submit a support request.
- Improved activation if you submit the reg key with no/bad internet.
- Fix for issue where scheduled DB update may not take place on some laptops.

- Fix for French localisation issue
- Fix for German localisation issue
- General bug fixes and speed improvements.

  * Home customers only. Everyone (including business licence-holders) can also find these on the Manage my Subscription page.

ClamXAV v3.8.1 - 11th February 2025

- Added a “Check for ClamXAV Updates” menu item
- Fixed appearance of the About Box in dark mode
- Fixed issue where Sentry would incorrectly show as being paused
- Fixed issue where Sentry would unexpectedly become paused
- Improved Sentry and menu item in multi-user scenario
- Computer ho an upcoming feature

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ClamXAV v3.8

- Added optio
  -Prevent sl
  -Allow Mac to wake for scheduled scans 1
  -Put back to sleep after scheduled scan completes
  -Prevent schedules from running on battery power
- Preference items that require authentication now permit multiple changes within a short timeframe without requiring the password again
  -requires a re-install (see detailed steps)
- Fix for Last Scan Date not updating properly
- It’s no longer possible to make the ClamXAV window too small
- The “drag & drop” Source List item is now automatically selected when ClamXAV is launched via drag & drop or the contextual menu
- Improved support for air-gapped Macs
- Improvements in licence handling to more accurately show changes to subscription renewal dates
- Macs managed by Xenia will now notify the server when their hostname changes

- It's no longer necessary to fully re-deploy ClamXAV to bring a Mac under Xenia's management (see deployment documentation)
- Finally fixed the issue where my name (Mark Allan) would show in login items
  -requires a re-install (see detailed steps)

ClamXAV v3.7.1 - 23rd September 2024

- Fix for an issue that prevented large files from being scanned

ClamXAV v3.7 - 7th August 2024

- Added support for choosing a custom app icon (macOS 10.13+ only)
- New optiona
  -stay tuned
- Added the ab
- Sentry pause
- Some backgr
- More robust
- When updati eground
- Malware DB
- Improved error checking and resilience on scanning engine verification
- Xenia no longer reports a machine as connected (with Sentry incorrectly labelled as OFF) while it's sleeping
- General improvements for stability and performance
- Update for the bundled scanning engine

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ClamXAV v3.6.3 - 30th April 2024

- Improved support for remote installation and update commands sent via the Xenia Management Console
- Performance improvements and minor bug fixes

ClamXAV v3.6.2 - 18th January 2024

- Improved messaging when activating a previously deactivated computer
- Security update details:
  - Description: A local privilege escalation vulnerability was corrected with improved client validation
  - Affected components: Privileged Helper Tool
  - Affected versions: ClamXAV 3.1.2 - 3.6.1
  - Impact: A local attacker can execute arbitrary code with system privileges

Thanks to Patrick Hart (@portugalthe_) for reporting this to us.

ClamXAV v3.6

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- Support for n
- Fix for scans
- Fix an issue w ause ClamXAV to crash unde
- Security upd

ClamXAV v3.6 - 29th August 2023

- Improved handling of file exclusion settings
- Improved stability
- Improvements in licence management
- Improvements for remote management
- Added ability to submit diagnostics from Xenia enterprise management console
- Added ability to download new set of Override Settings from Xenia management console
- Added ability to update the app from the command line
- Added ability to submit diagnostics from the command line `/Applications/ClamXAV.app/Contents/MacOS/XAV --submit-diagnostics ####` where #### is your ticket number from our helpdesk.

- Fixed a bug which caused nothing to appear in the reports window
- Fixed a bug with licence/subscription handling
- Fixed a bug with DB update scheduling
- Fixed issue with “Mark Allan” showing up in System Settings (an issue with macOS means this is only resolved for new installations)

ClamXAV v3.5.5 - 21st February 2023

Security update for the bundled ClamAV scanning engine

ClamXAV v3.5.4 - 6th February 2023

- Fully fixed naming of Login Items on macOS 13 Ventura
- Fixed a few m
- Fixed the issu

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Special thanks t

ClamXAV v3.5

- Improved recognition of Full Disk Access permissions - particularly on MDM managed Macs. XAV command line tool has moved inside the main app bundle now.

```
/Applications/ClamXAV.app/Contents/MacOS/XAV
```

- Improved naming of Login Items on macOS 13 Ventura.
  This may require using the full installer
  Added ability to scan arbitrary files from the XAV command line (beta - please give feedback).

```
/Applications/ClamXAV.app/Contents/MacOS/XAV --scan /paths/to/scan
```

ClamXAV v3.5.2 - 10th November 2022

Reverted a change from 3.5.1 which resulted in additional Full Disk Access prompts for part of ClamXAV’s scanning engine.

ClamXAV v3.5.1 - 8th November 2022

- Improved support for macOS 13 Ventura
- Improved handling of Full Disk Access checks and messaging
- Fix for 'No customer ID' error from XAV command line tool
- Fix for engine installer not working on Mac OS X 10.13 (High Sierra)
  See also the following updates from ClamXAV v3.5 released on 27th September 2022 and subsequently withdrawn.
- Long-term workaround for Apple's kernel panic issue
- Visual improvements to the ClamXAV app icon
- Fix typo in Czech translation
- Improve detection capabilities
- Improve stability
- Fixed two mi

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ClamXAV v3.4

- Further stabi
- Improved sec
- Added ability to email a designated contact upon malware detection
  We're rolling this out to business customers first. Support for Home users coming soon.
- Added pruning of reports database to XAV command-line tool

```
/usr/local/ClamXAV3/bin/XAV --prune-logs NNN
```

where NNN is the number of days to keep [default is 120]

ClamXAV v3.3.1 - 20th December 2021

- Improved stability, particularly on M1 Macs
- Improved scanning speed and accuracy

ClamXAV v3.3 - 20th September 2021

- Fixed the “About” box crash
- Support for offline database updates (business licence only)
- Improved stability under scheduling
- Improved handling of false positives
- Expanded coverage for Sentry

ClamXAV v3.2 - 1st March 2021

- Now runs fully natively on M1 Macs
- New Big Sur-style app icon for ClamXAV
- Considerably reduced CPU usage
- Minor visual tweak for macOS 11 Big Sur
- Fixed intermittent issue with the reports window flashing
- Removed mi
- Added Frenc
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ClamXAV v3.1

- Reduced CPU
- Fix for issues with an empty sidebar and crashing database updates
- Fixed issue preventing external drives/volumes being ejected during a scan
- Sentry will no longer automatically scan Audio CDs (remember them?)

ClamXAV v3.1.1 - 7th October 2020

- Improvements in CPU usage
- Improvements in Time Machine volume recognition
- Improvements in handling false positives
- Fix for Full Disk Access menu item showing up (disabled) on macOS before 10.14
- Fixed typos in French
- Security update details:

- Affected parts: Privileged Helper Tool and Privileged Helper Tool Updater
- Available for: macOS 10.10 and later
- Impact: A malicious application may be able to execute arbitrary code with system privileges.
- Description: A local privilege escalation issue was resolved with improved client verification in the privileged helper tools.

Thanks to Csaba Fitzl (@theevilbit) of Offensive Security for reporting this to us.

ClamXAV v3.1 - 11th August 2020

- Added support for macOS 11 (Big Sur)
- Additional log file processing for business customers
- Improved QuickScan speed
- Updated French localisation
- Updated Port
- Fixed typo in
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- References to guidelines.
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- Fixed intermi
- Fixed issue where clean files may show in the infection list with “(null)” as the infection name.
- Fixed intermittent issue where Quick Scan would appear like it’s constantly in progress.
- Fixed an intermittent issue that caused it to look like ClamXAV had hung at the end of a QuickScan
- Fixed intermittent issue with open panel not showing
- Fixed an issue preventing an item showing up as deleted
- Fixed issue with “Last Scanned Date” on macOS 10.15
- An item’s “Last Scanned Date” now shows relative dates

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ClamXAV will now report meta-data on malware detections. Note that we’re tracking malware, not you! See our Privacy Policy for more details.

ClamXAV v3.0.15 - 18th December 2019

- Improved scan times on macOS 10.15 Catalina
- Improved reliability of Full Disk Access check
- Improved removal of configuration profiles
- Fixed intermittent issue where Sentry wouldn't honour exclude/ignore settings
- Fixed intermittent issue where Sentry would attempt to scan external/network disks incorrectly.
- Improved efficiency
- Reverts a previous change by excluding the community malware database by default. This may be re-enable via Advanced Preferences
- Fixed typo in French localisation
- Resolved issue with networked volumes unexpectedly being scanned on macOS 10.15 Catalina
- Miscellaneous bug fixes

ClamXAV v3.0.14 - 10th October 2019

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- Fixed issue w
- Resolved an issue with scheduling
- Fix for Time Machine volume still getting scanned despite being excluded
- Fix for excessive CPU usage caused by already-heavy load on the computer
- Resolved issues with preferences override for enterprise customers
- Resolved an issue with mounting remote volumes during a Quick Scan
- ClamXAV Menu Item no longer jumps up and down during scanning/updating

ClamXAV v3.0.12 - 15th July 2019

- Added the ability to deactivate your Mac so you can move your licence to another Mac
- Added ability (via expert global pref SentryQuarantineDisabled) to turn off Sentry auto-quarantining
- Added log rotation for ClamXAV-helper.log file

- Improved installation of the email scanning script
- Resolved various bugs with the email scanning script
- Improved handling of corrupt files
- Improved reliability of built-in uninstaller
- Removed some more unnecessary log output
- Updated non-English translations

ClamXAV v3.0.11 - 13th May 2019

- Improved support for home folders which have been moved onto different volumes
- Improvements to malware database download process
- Improved handling of situation when Apple Mail failed to download an email's attachments
- Improvements in subscription handling
- Fixed issue w List
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ClamXAV v3.0

- ClamXAV is now notarized via the Apple Notarization Service
- Improved visibility of the "Advanced Ignore Settings" button
- Improved support for scanning email via Apple Mail *
- Included command line interface to update malware database†
- Improved the ability to delete hard-to-remove malware
- Prevent continuous alert sounds during database update if app his hidden or minimized to Dock
- Fixed issue where ClamXAV might crash when a disk is connected
- Fixed issue where Sentry doesn't disable properly
- Fixed an intermittent issue where the Source List wouldn't populate
- Fixed an intermittent issue downloading malware database updates
- Create a mail rule in Apple Mail to trigger on "Every Message". Perform a "Run Applescript" action and specify "Scan with ClamXAV".

    - Infected items will be coloured with a blue background and moved to Junk.

- Installed at `/usr/local/ClamXAV3/bin/XAV`

ClamXAV v3.0.9 - 30th December 2018

- Fix for issue with scheduled scans

ClamXAV v3.0.8 - 19th December 2018

- Improvements in malware database updates
- Performance enhancements
- No longer automatically scans connected hard disks at startup
- Fixes for German localisation issues
- Fix for interm
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ClamXAV v3.0

- Performance

ClamXAV v3.0.6 - 24th September 2018

- Support for macOS 10.14 Mojave and Dark Mode
- Added Brazilian Portugese localisation
- Improved Sentry handling of external volumes
- Improved drag and drop support for excluding files and folders
- ClamXAV will now wait for an internet connection before attempting to update its malware database
- Fixed hang which could occur at launch if one of the database files was missing
- Fixed erroneous reports of Malware database update failed (32767) in the Reports window

ClamXAV v3.0.5 - 5th September 2018

- Speed and stability improvements
- Improvements to engine installation & repair
- Fixed issue of constantly repairing the scanning engine
- Fixed issue with ClamXAV Menu Item crashing upon first installation
- Improved handling of network volumes
- Sentry now properly recognises and completely ignores Time Machine backup disks
- Resolved issue where database update stayed at 0% despite the update actually taking place in the background
- The Reports Window no longer allows you to select “Reveal in Finder” for a file that’s been deleted
- Improved wording for incomplete scans in the Reports Window

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ClamXAV v3.0

- Stability impr
- Reduced CPU
- Fix for Sentry
- Improved handling of Time Machine and Time Capsule disks
- Improved handling of app updates via the ClamXAV Menu Item
- Fixed issue where scan settings may not be saved when changing selected source list item
- Fixed issue that caused Little Snitch to block ClamXAV’s internet access

ClamXAV v3.0.3 - 16th August 2018

- Improved wording of Sentry options in the Settings Area
- Fixed issues regarding downloading malware database
- Fixed inability to disable Sentry background monitor
- Fixed crash related to handling of exclusion settings

ClamXAV v3.0.2 - 15th August 2018

- Fix for issues downloading malware database

ClamXAV v3.0.1 - 15th August 2018

- Fix for German localisation
- Fixed ClamXAV 2 registration key recognition for commercial licences

ClamXAV v3.0 – 15th August 2018

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Complete integration of all component parts (Main app, Sentry, Scheduling, Reports)
Smart source list which automatically displays all available volumes.
You can now have per-source-item scan settings
…along with different exclude settings per scan item
You can enable/disable quarantine per scan item
… and even enable/disable quarantine during a scan
We've added copy & paste support for "exclude file settings" (between source list items as well as copying files from Finder)
If you quit ClamXAV, the scan will continue
All-new ClamXAV menu item which shows progress of all current scans and database updates
There's so much more, but I think you get the gist. It's all new!

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1. A laptop sleeping with the lid closed cannot be woken by any app ↩

