

Ytree; a UNIX Filemanager

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frolix <2>
Path: /var/X11R6/lib/doc*

└─/var
  └─X11R6
    └─bin
      └─lib
        └─XF86Setup/
          └─app-defaults
            └─config/
              └─dfm
                └─doc/
                  └─etc
                    └─fs
                      └─fvwm
                        └─fvwm95-2

FILE: *
DISK: EXT2
Available
Bytes:870.967.296

DIR Statistics
Total
Files: 61
Bytes: 1.183.829
Matching
Files: 61
Bytes: 1.183.829
Tagged
Files: 0
Bytes: 0
Current File
AccelCards
Bytes: 63.218

FILE Attribute Copy Delete Edit Filespec Group Hex Login Move Quit
COMMANDS Owner Pipe Rename Sort Tag Untag View eXecute pathcopy ^Filemode
  
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Ytree - a (curses-based) file manager similar to DOS Xtree(tm).

...for browsing filesystems and archives (RAR/SPM/RPM/TAR/ARC/LHA/ZIP/ZOO).

New in 2.12

- Fixed bug in CutFilename which may lead to compile error

New in 2.11

- Removed clock due to interference with cursor handling and resizing (was experimental)
- Support for UnixWare 7 (Thanks to Nishi)
- InputString with UTF_8 suport
- Some minor bugfixes

New in 2.10

- 7zip / iso support
- Should compile with gcc 15

New in 2.09

- Window resize support for hex-view and hex-edit
- Display format improvements

New in 2.08

- "Show tagged files only" in file windows (Shift-F4 or Ctrl-F4 (if system allows Ctrl function keys / Thanks to frank)
- Lots of UTF_8 improvements/bugfixes
- Improve compatibility with old unix systems / some minor fixes

New in 2.07

- Removed -O compiler switch due to problems with UTF_8 code
- Added workaround when resizing ytree window during string input

New in 2.06

- Fixed compile error in input.c (UTF_8 only)

New in 2.05

- Uses regcomp instead of deprecated re_comp/re_exec (linux)
- Debug file sort issue for very large file sizes
- Reduced compiler warnings

New in 2.04

- Avoid security warning for mvprintw in input.c

New in 2.03

- Cleanup + added LDFLAG "-ltinfo" (needed for some newer ncurses versions)

New in 2.02

- Bugfix for crash during startup in group.c

New in 2.01

- Bugfix for crash during tagged rename (Thanks to Frank)
- Updated man page (Thanks to Micah)

New in 2.00

- No new functionality, but changed the copyright to GPLv2 or (at your option) any later version.

New in 1.99pl2

- Filename extension debug (e.g files which starts with a '.' - Thanks to Frank)

New in 1.99pl1

- Debug crash when switching directory view
- Support large disks
- Path display for non color mode (Thanks to Ali)

New in 1.98

- Bugfix for crash during showall with empty subfolders (Thanks to frank)
- New function "ListJump" (F12) (Thanks to frank)
- Removed some compiler warnings

New in 1.97

- Bugfix for pathcopy / allow abort during tagged operations

New in 1.96

- Bugfix for long user- and group names (Thanks to frank)
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Platforms:

Ytree is reported to run on following platforms:

- SYSV R3.2/R4
 - Interactive UNIX
 - Linux
 - NeXTstep 2.1
 - Irix 5.2
 - AIX 3.2
 - HPUX
 - SUNOS 4.1 / Solaris 2
 - ULTRIX 4.3
 - DEC-UNIX / OSF1
 - FreeBSD
 - OpenBSD
 - NetBSD
 - QNX
 - Mac OS X
 - DJGPP
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Building:

In most instances, it should be sufficient to uncomment the section for your platform in 'Makefile' (Default is linux). Type 'make' followed by 'make install'. If you want, customize ytree by editing '\$HOME/.ytree'.

Where to get ytree:

You can get the ytree source directly from this WebPage:

ytree-2.12.tar.gz (125 kB / Apr 21, 2026)

Other places:

Arch linux users: <https://aur.archlinux.org/packages/ytree>

Debian Users: <https://packages.debian.org/search?keywords=ytree>

FreeBSD Users: <https://www.freebsd.org/cgi/ports.cgi?query=ytree&stype=all&sektion=misc>

Mac Ports: <https://ports.macports.org/port/ytree/>

Other XTree Clones:

Have a look at the [XTree Fan Page!](#) Here you can find everything about the legendary XTree and links to various other XTree clones.

People:

Last but not least take a look on the homepage of [Jeff Johnson](#), the author of the original XTree and XTreeGold (Thank you Jeff, for your great work!).

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