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Server List

A list of operational servers can be found via napigator.com.

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OpenNap: Open Source Napster Server

[Napster](#) is a protocol for sharing files between users. With Napster, the files stay on the client machine, never passing through the server. The server provides the ability to search for particular files and initiate a direct transfer between the clients. In addition, chat forums similar to IRC are available. OpenNap extends the Napster protocol to allow sharing of any media type, and the ability to link servers together.

opennap is a **server** for connecting the clients together, and is not a client itself. If you are looking for a client, see the [list below](#).

Getting Help

- Read the [OpenNap Reference Manual](#)
- Read the [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [IRC](#) -- Visit channel #*opennap* on [EFNet](#) for IRC discussion about this project. Topics range from programming to bug reports to help with server setup.
- Mailing Lists
 - [opennap-dev](#) is a mailing list for programmers of this project.
 - [opennap-admin](#). This list is intended for discussion of server operation rather than development of *opennap*. Help with getting your server configured should be sent here.
 - Both of the above mailing lists are [archived here](#).
- [OpenNap Web Forums](#) is another place to ask questions (hosted by [teknap.com](#))
- [Browse the Bug list](#) or [Submit a bug report](#). **PLEASE** look at the bug list first to avoid duplicates.
- [Browse feature requests](#) or [Submit a feature request](#).

Status

Current release is 0.44-BETA (released September 30, 2001).

opennap has been tested on the following platforms:

- POSIX systems: Linux (alpha, i386, sparc, ppc), BSDI, Solaris, FreeBSD, IRIX,
- OS/2
- Windows 95/98/NT/2000

More information about this project is available from

- [opennap project summary page \(sourceforge\)](#)
- [freshmeat appindex entry](#)

Napster Clients

If you know of additional clients not listed here, please send mail to drscholl@users.sourceforge.net with the name and a URL so it can be added to the list. Please indicate whether source code is available.

Open Source (*Free as in Freedom*)

- [amster](#) -- amiga napster client
- [AutoNap](#) -- napster robot written in Perl
- [BeNapster](#) -- BeOS napster client
- [BitchX](#) -- IRC chat client with napster plugin
- [TekNap](#) -- (formerly called BWrap) standalone console unix client based on bx-nap plugin for BitchX
- [crapster](#) -- BeOS napster client
- [duskster](#) -- Perl napster client
- [gnap](#) -- gnome napster client
- [gnapster](#) -- gnome napster client
- [gnome-napster](#) -- gnome napster client
- [gtk napster](#) -- gtk napster client
- [hackster](#) -- visual basic napster client
- [iNapster](#) -- WWW interface to napster
- [java napster](#) -- java napster client
- [jnap](#) -- java napster client
- [jnapster](#) -- java napster client
- [Knapster](#) -- KDE napster client
- [Lopster](#) -- gtk/unix napster client
- [MacStar](#) -- Mac Napster Client
- [MyNapster Webclient](#)
- [nap](#) -- linux/bsd command line client
- [NapAmp](#) -- Napster plugin for WinAmp
- [Napster for BeOS](#)
- [Napster for MacOSX](#)
- [TkNap](#) -- Tcl/Tk napster client

- [Riscster](#) -- napster client for RiscOS
- [Shuban](#) -- Win32 napster client
- [snap](#) -- perl napster client
- [webnap](#) -- PHP napster client
- [XmNap](#) -- motif Napster client
- [xnap](#) -- java napster client
- [xnapster](#) -- java napster client

Closed Source (binary only)

The following clients do not have source code available, but may be of some use.

- Win32
 - [AudioGnome](#) - Naphoria's Win32 client
 - [AudioSwap](#) -- MiRC-like napster client
 - [CQ_EX](#)
 - [napster](#) -- original windows client
 - [Napster Fast Search](#) -- Visual Basic (German)
 - [File Navigator](#)
 - [Rapigator](#)
 - [Spotlight](#)
 - [StaticNap](#)
 - [SunshineUN](#)
 - [Swaptor](#)
 - [WinMX](#)
- Macintosh
 - [macster](#)
 - [Rapster](#)
- OS/2
 - [Napster/2](#)
 - [PMNapster](#)
- QNX
 - [phaster](#)

Utilities

- [Napigator](#) -- napster server manager, allows you to connect to specific servers with napster.exe
- [Wrapster](#) -- program to trade any file (other than mp3) over napster

Other Napster Servers

opennap is now not the only Napster server available! Also check out:

- [jnerve](#) -- java napster server
- [slavanap](#) - win32 napster server

References

- [Napster protocol specification](#) -- current documentation for known client-server protocol (last updated on March 12, 2001)
- [David Weekly's Napster protocol page](#)
- [napdev community \(onelist\)](#) -- general mailing list for open source napster developers
- [Napster, Inc.](#)
- [infoAnarchy](#) - news on peer-to-peer protocols

Other Sharing Protocols

Napster is one of many protocols designed for users to share their files with each other. The following may be of interest to those researching the topic. Note that these are alternatives to Napster, and are not compatible.

- [Alpine](#) - Adaptive Large-scale Peer2peer Information NEtworking
- [ANAP -- Anonymous Napster](#)
- [AudioGalaxy Satellite](#)
- [Blocks](#) -- open source distributed sharing client with encryption
- [Carracho](#) -- MacOS file sharing program
- [CuteMX](#) [DEFUNCT]
- [Direct Connect](#)
- [DFSI -- Distributed File Sharing over IRC](#)
- [Espra](#)
- [FileSwap](#)
- [Filetopia](#)
- [FreeNet](#)
- [Gnutmeg](#) -- peered file sharing system
- [gnutella](#) -- distributed P2P file sharing tool
- [Hotline](#)
- [IMesh](#)
- [Jungle Monkey](#) -- open source
- [KaZaA](#) - Windows Media Desktop
- [Konspire](#) -- open source distributed client in java
- [OFSI -- Open File Sharing Initiative](#) [DEFUNCT]
- [Phosphor](#) -- java file sharing client
- [ProjectELF](#) -- anonymoys distributed sharing system

- [Scour Exchange](#) -- scour.net distributed file sharing (open protocol) [DEFUNCT]
- [SongSpy](#)
- [Spin Frenzy](#)
- [Splooge](#) -- P2P file sharing by file extension
- [Swapoo](#) -- Napster like service for sharing video game ROMs
- [Swaptor](#) -- Online File Sharing Community
- [VNN](#) - secure file sharing app

I recommend looking at [infoAnarchy's resources page](#) for more detailed descriptions of the various peer-to-peer protocols.

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