

# how to make your own keepod

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1. download and install on your computer the latest version of balenaEtcher (or any other usb creator software you like).
2. download the latest keepod os image file from:  
<https://keepod.com/pages/download>
3. get a high quality, fast and reliable, usb 3.0 flash drive with 16GB storage or more.
4. burn the keepod image file into the usb flash drive.
5. that's it! start your new keepod usb on any compatible pc or mac.

## KEEPOD DIY

technical specifications,  
system requirements  
& the basics

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### WHAT YOU NEED

#### usb flash drive

usb 3.0 with 16GB high speed flash memory and high capacity usb controller.

#### minimum pc requirements

pc with a 64-bit x86-64 cpu  
2gb ram, 1024×768 resolution, usb port  
2.0 or higher, usb boot enabled.

#### updates

we release regular updates to the entire os image. to update your keepod download the latest iso image and flash your drive. there are no minor updates or updates from within the system. the only trusted keepod image is available at:

[keepod.com/pages/download](https://keepod.com/pages/download)

### KEEPOD BASICS

#### boot on any pc

you can start keepod on any pc that supports usb boot and meets the system requirements. if you have problems booting keepod, take it with your pc manufacturer! some of them make this unnecessarily complicated.

#### live system

keepod is a live system. remember that any data saved on the device or any change to the system (installing apps, passwords, or so) will be discarded when the session ends.

#### trusted clouds

the best way to work with keepod is by working on trusted clouds. doing that, your data will always be available online. use the embedded password managers (lastpass, firefox lockwise, google sync, or others) to securely access your passwords vault and launch the platforms you trust. we suggest using 2FA and sticking to providers with zero-knowledge systems.

#### panic mode

with panic mode there is no need to power-off your computer anymore. just disconnect keepod and your computer will immediately shutdown.

#### zero knowledge

we absolutely don't want to know who you are. you don't need to sign-up, register or give any data to use keepod. ever.

### STARTING KEEPOD

#### starting from a mac

1. shut down your mac and plug the keepod usb.
2. switch on your mac and immediately press-and-hold the option key (alt key) until a list of possible startup disks appears
3. choose the usb stick and press **enter**. the keepod appears as an external hard disk and might be labeled 'EFI' 'Boot or Windows'. [new mac models click here](#)

#### starting from windows 8 or 10

1. click on the **start**  button
2. press and hold the **shift key** while you choose **power** ▶ **restart**
3. in the **choose an option** screen, choose **use a device**
4. in the use a device screen, choose boot menu.
5. the pc will restart and will show you the boot menu which is a list of possible devices to start from
6. in the boot menu, select your usb stick and press **enter**.

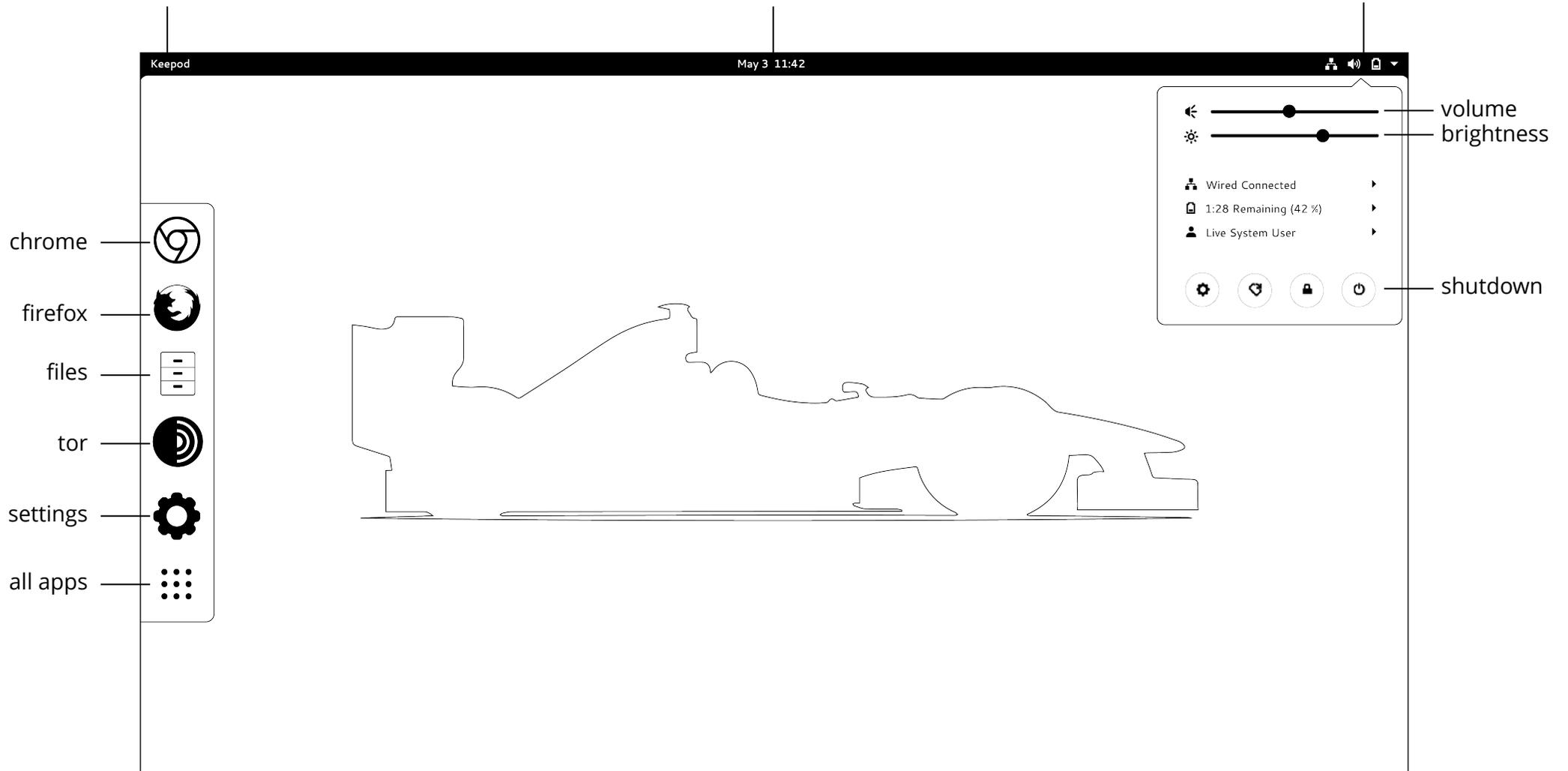
#### starting using the boot menu key

1. shut down your pc and plugin keepod
2. identify the possible boot menu keys for the pc depending on the computer manufacturer in the following list: **Acer:** Esc, F12, F9, **Asus:** Esc, F8, **Clevo:** F7, **Dell:** F12, **Fujitsu:** F12, Esc, **HP:** F9, Esc, **Lenovo:** F12, **Novo:** F8, F10, **Samsung:** Esc, F12, F2, **Sony:** F11, Esc, F10, **Toshiba:** F12, **Other:** F12, Esc
3. switch on the computer and immediately press several times the first possible **boot menu key** identified in step 4.
4. if a boot menu with a list of devices appears, select your usb stick and press **enter**.

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