

The Skype logo is rendered in a white, rounded, lowercase font with a blue drop shadow. A vibrant rainbow arches from the end of the logo towards the right side of the frame. The background is a solid blue color, decorated with white silhouettes of various icons: a bird, a person, a speech bubble, a heart, a city skyline, and communication symbols like a telephone and an envelope.

skype™

For Beginners

What is this thing?

- Skype is a free application that allows you to call, instant message, see and connect with people all over the world.
- Skype can, also, be used to call landlines and cell phones directly for a small fee or monthly subscription.
- Other products include Skype for business, Skype to go numbers, Skype for mobile devices and screen sharing.

Getting Started – What You'll Need

- High-speed Internet connection.
- Computer with:
 - Microphone
 - Speakers
 - Webcam (optional)
- Skype software



Installing Skype

- Go to:
<http://www.skype.com>
- Hover over “Get Skype” and select the operating system you’re using.
- You will be guided through the rest of the installation process.



Pricing Options



Free

See how much you can do for free

Get Skype and start talking to the world

- Skype-to-Skype calls
- One-to-one video calls
- Instant messaging
- Screen sharing



Pay As You Go

From 2.3¢¹ a minute

Great for regular calls to phones. And add features when you need them with Skype Credit.

- Call phones and mobiles
- SMS
- Call forwarding



Subscriptions

From 1.2¢² a minute

Perfect for frequent calling and to get Skype's lowest calling rates when calling abroad.

- Lowest calling rates
- Choose unlimited calling²
- Best rates with a 3 or 12 month subscription



Skype Premium

Group video from \$8.99/month

Get together with three or more³ people over group video.

- Group video calling
- Get help when you need it with live chat support
- Day pass or monthly subscription available



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 Landlines and Mobiles

Unlimited³ US & Canada

\$2.99/month

 United States  Canada



Unlimited North America

\$7.99/month

Make unlimited³ calls to the US & Canada and to landlines in Mexican Cities. [See details](#)



Unlimited World

\$13.99/month

Make unlimited³ calls to North America and 40 other countries landlines. [See details](#)



Unlimited World Extra

\$19.99/month⁵

Make unlimited³ calls to 40 countries worldwide plus \$15 of Skype Credit every month⁴. [Find out more](#)



Skype Features

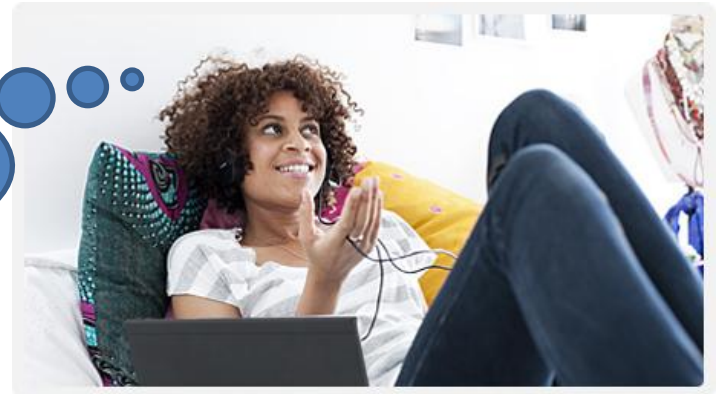
- Skype-to-Skype (Free)
- Phones and mobiles
- Conference Calls
- Skype To Go Number
- Video Calling
- Group Video Calling
- Screen Sharing
- Messaging
- Mobile

Skype-to-Skype (Free)

- Allows for video calling, instant messaging and conference calling (non-video).
- Totally free as long as the person on the other end has a Skype account.
- 94% of Skype users use free service only.

1,000 minutes of talk time
+ No Bill

Priceless



Navigating

Click to update status

Click to view account info.

Click to add a contacts.

Community Phone Book

Enter phone # or Skype username

The screenshot shows the Skype application window titled "Skype™ - ssldlib". The menu bar includes "Skype", "Contacts", "Conversation", "Call", "View", "Tools", and "Help". The main content area is titled "Call phones" and features a search bar "Find businesses" and a "Close" button. Below this, there is a balance section showing "\$ 1.05" and "1 subscription" with a "See numbers cove..." link. A numeric keypad is displayed with a country selector set to the United States. The keypad includes buttons for digits 1-9, *, 0+, and #, along with "Save", "Call", and "SMS" buttons. At the bottom left, there are buttons for "Add a contact" and "Create a group". A status bar at the bottom indicates "27,963,066 people online" and a promotional banner for "Skype Premium - now 33% off 3 and 12 month subscriptions until 28 Febr...".

Phones and Mobiles (Pay)

- Skype allows you to call landlines and mobile phones. Prices range from country to country.
 - United States (2.3cents/min)
 - Nigeria (12cents/min)
 - Your cell phone plan (15cent/min)
- You can try this service at the library with our free “Keep in Touch” program.

Anytime Minutes	Monthly Price
200	\$29.99

Conference Calls (Free)

- Conference calls is a feature that allows you to have multiple parties in a group.
- Skype Premium is required if you would like to use video along with this service.
- While in a Skype-to-Skype or conference call you can share files and send instant messages.



What will I do with all this money I'm saving by using Skype??

Skype to Go Number (Paid)

- An ideal service for those looking to call or text someone that lives abroad.
- Allows you to use your phone to call a friend or relative at Skype Rates. To do this you:
 - Provide Skype with the number you want to call.
 - Skype provides a phone number for you to call.
 - When you call the Skype to Go Number you are routed to your friend or relative.

Video Calling (Free)



Read the kids a bedtime story

Dad away on business, grandparents abroad – make bedtime special. Be there even when you're miles apart with free video calling on Skype.

I get so much more done without that hour commute.



Share the moment

A special event, that new outfit, some stunning scenery, the big game... Free video calling* on Skype lets you share all this and more with your friends and family. You'll never miss out on the moments that matter most.



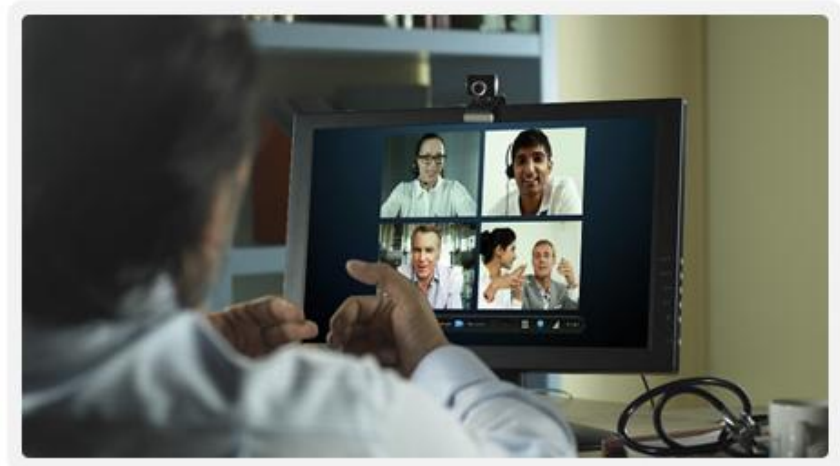
Collaborate and save on travel

Share ideas, meet new team members, minimise the cost and time of unnecessary business travel.

Group Video Calling (Paid)

- Same a video calling but with more people.

I'm so afraid right now. I'm glad I don't have to do this three separate times.



Screen Sharing

- Used to show the other part what is on your desktop.
- Great for teaching someone how to do something on the computer remotely.



Messaging

- You can send instant messages Skype-to-Skype for free or pay to send SMS messages.
- This includes using Skype's mobile device.



Skype for Mobile

- Supported on Android and iPhone



Free Skype-to-Skype calls over 3G or WiFi.



Save money on calls to phones abroad.



Send and receive instant messages.



Use your iPad or iPod Touch

You can also make free calls to your Skype friends using your iPad or iPod touch.** All you need to do is [get a compatible headset](#).

Other Interesting Products...



Apps: <http://shop.skype.com/extras/>



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