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How to use Mac Bluetooth in a virtual machine

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In Parallels Desktop you can easily share your Bluetooth devices with your virtual machines (VMs).

Parallels Desktop supports and completely emulates Bluetooth 4.0.

Share Bluetooth devices with a virtual machine

To share your Bluetooth devices with a virtual machine, perform the following actions:

1. Open the virtual machine <u>configuration</u> > **Hardware** > **USB & Bluetooth** and enable **Share Bluetooth devices with Windows**:

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2. In the Windows virtual machine, go to **Settings > Devices > Bluetooth & other devices >** Click the **Add Bluetooth or other device** button, then follow the on-screen instructions to pair your device.

With Bluetooth sharing you can:

- Search for devices.
- Look up advanced device data.
- Look up the list of profiles, supported by the device.
- Couple virtual machines with the device.
- Send/Sync files.
- Use a COM-Port, modem, etc.

Supported guest Operating Systems:

- Windows XP and higher; Bluetooth 4.0 Windows 11, 10, 8.1, 8.
- OS 10.5.x and higher.
- Linux: Bluetooth 4.0 is supported starting from kernel 3.13.
- Android.

Limitations:

- ActiveSync profile is not supported (used in Windows Mobile devices).
- Bluetooth mouse and keyboard cannot be connected straight to the guest OS to avoid Mac losing controllers.

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