

Locate Parallels virtual machine on Mac

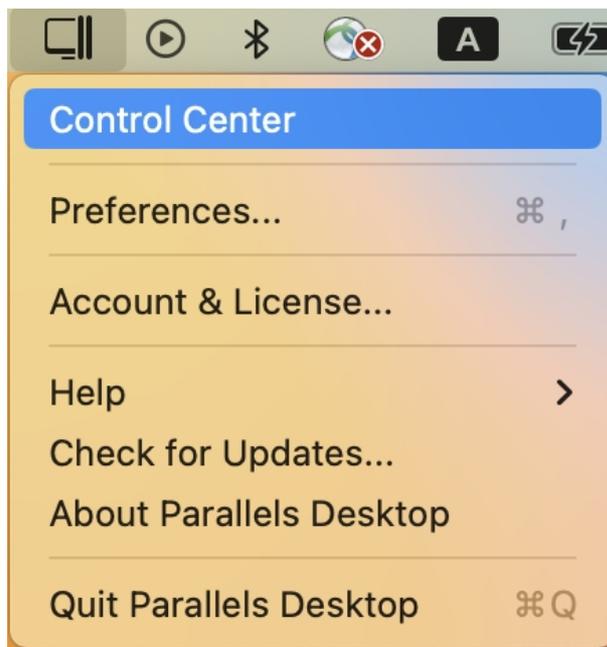
- Parallels Desktop for Mac Standard Edition
- Parallels Desktop for Mac Pro Edition
- Parallels Desktop for Mac Business Edition
- Parallels Desktop for Mac App Store Edition

There are several ways to find your virtual machine (VM) on a Mac, which may be required for you in various cases, e.g. transfer a virtual machine, move the virtual machine to another folder, etc.

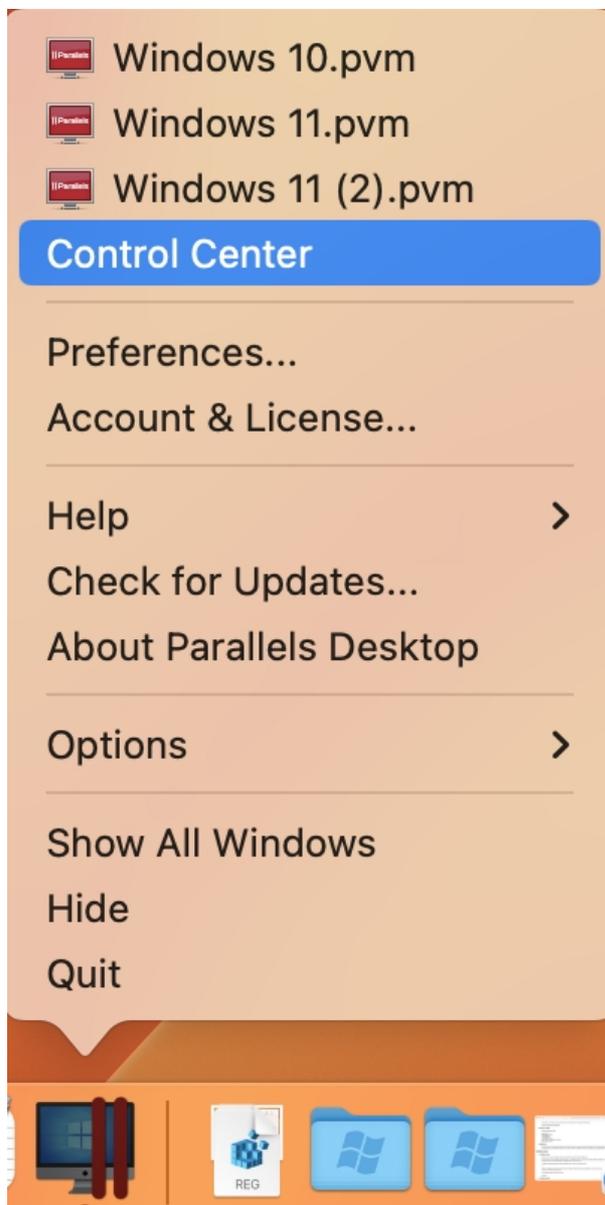
Locate a VM in Parallels Desktop for Mac Standard/Pro/Business Edition

A virtual machine can be located in Finder via Parallels Desktop Control Center.

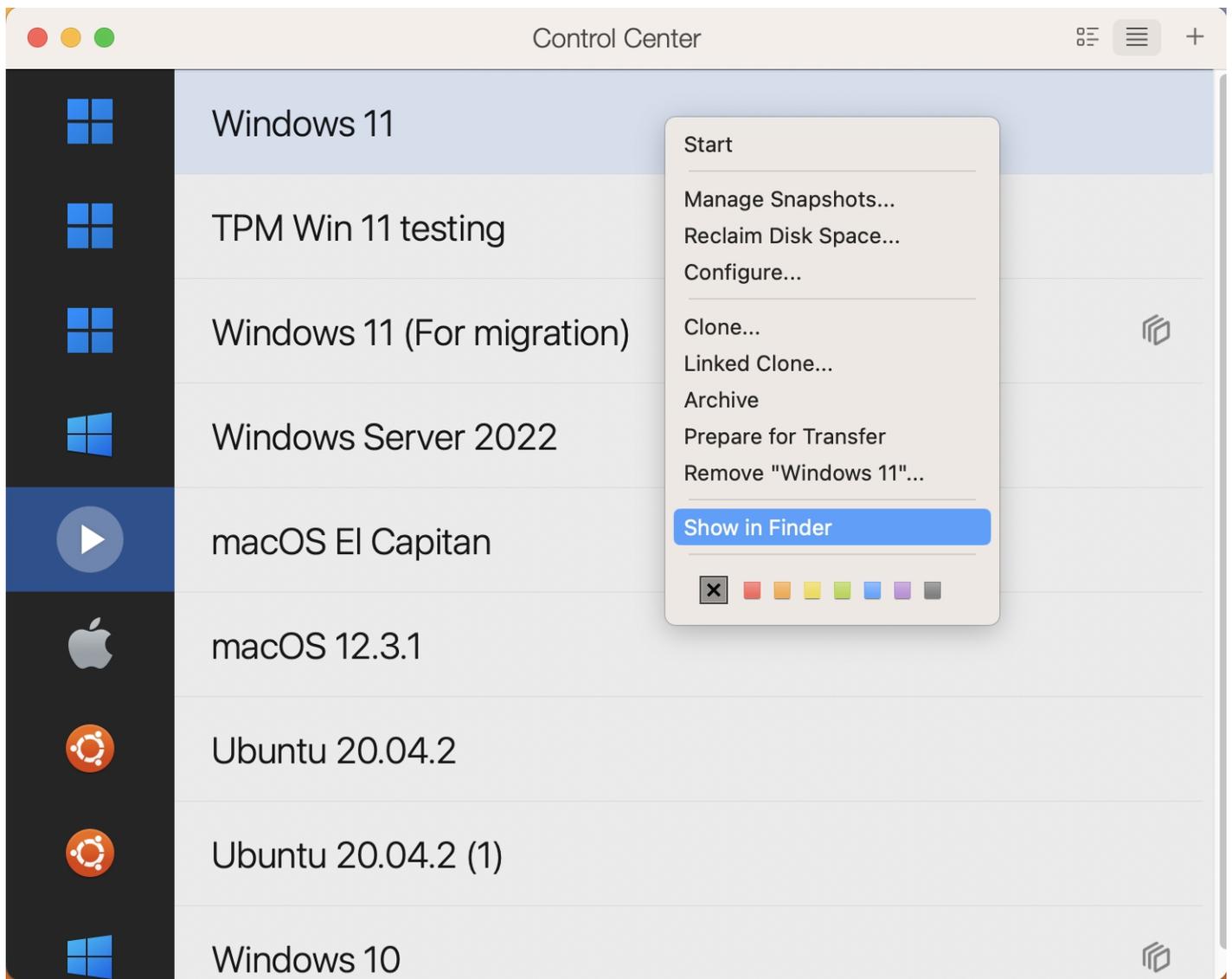
- Click on the Parallels Desktop logo on the Mac menu bar > select **Control Center**.



- Right-click the Parallels Desktop application icon in the Dock > select **Control Center**.



In the Control Center, right-click a virtual machine you'd like to find and select **Show in Finder**.



Locate a VM in Finder

By default, all virtual machines are stored in one of the following folders on the computer:

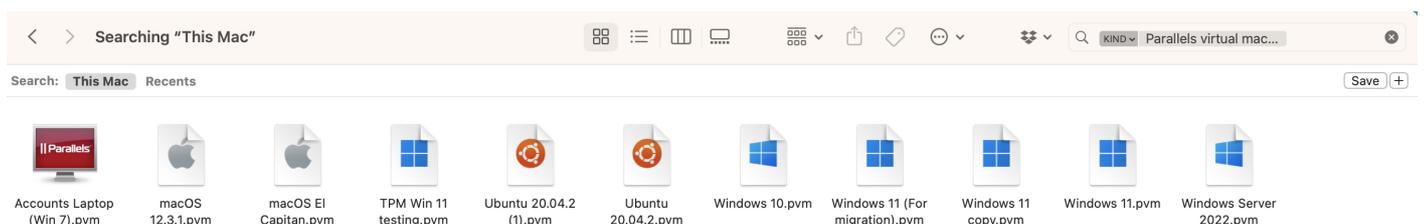
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/<username>/Parallels
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/Users/<username>/Parallels
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/Users/Shared/Parallels
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Use Finder's search engine to locate your virtual machine.

Type **.pvm** or the machine's name in the search field (to exclude other files, you can change **Kinds** to **Parallels virtual machine**):



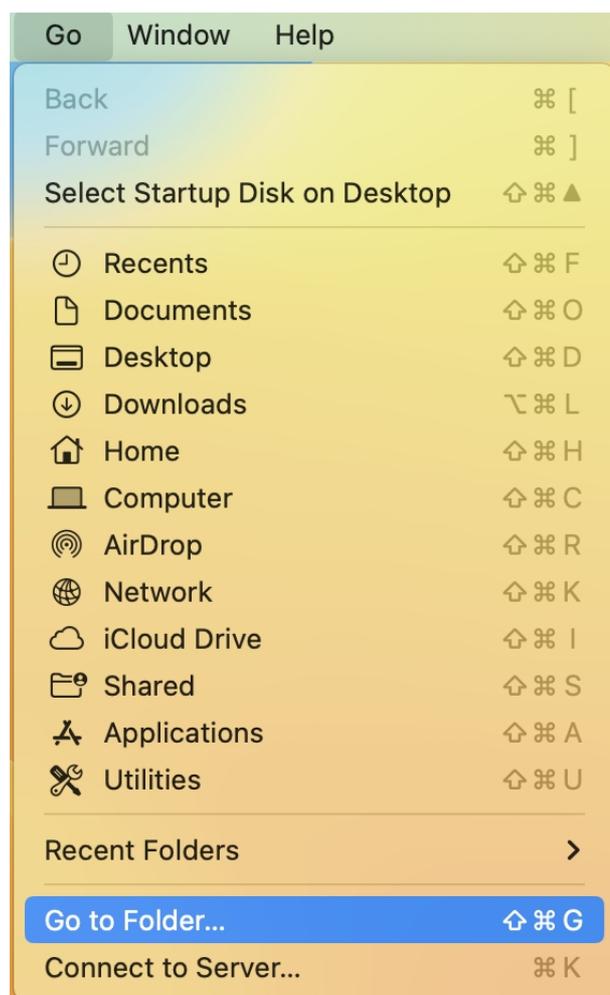
Locate a VM in Parallels Desktop for Mac App Store Edition

Parallels Desktop for Mac App Store Edition is a sandboxed application, and by default, the application has no access to the user's folders (except for the "Downloads" folder if granted). Virtual machines are saved in the following directory when installed automatically:

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/Users/<username>/Library/Group  
Containers/4?6364ACTX.com.parallels.desktop.appstore/Shared/Parallels/
```

Note: Virtual machines from the Free Systems category are saved to the Downloads folder directory.

To open this directory in Finder, click **Go** menu (when Finder is active) in the menubar > select **Go to Folder**.



Then enter the following path to the field and click **Go**:

```
~/Library/Group  
Containers/4C6364ACXT.com.parallels.desktop.appstore/Shared/Parallels
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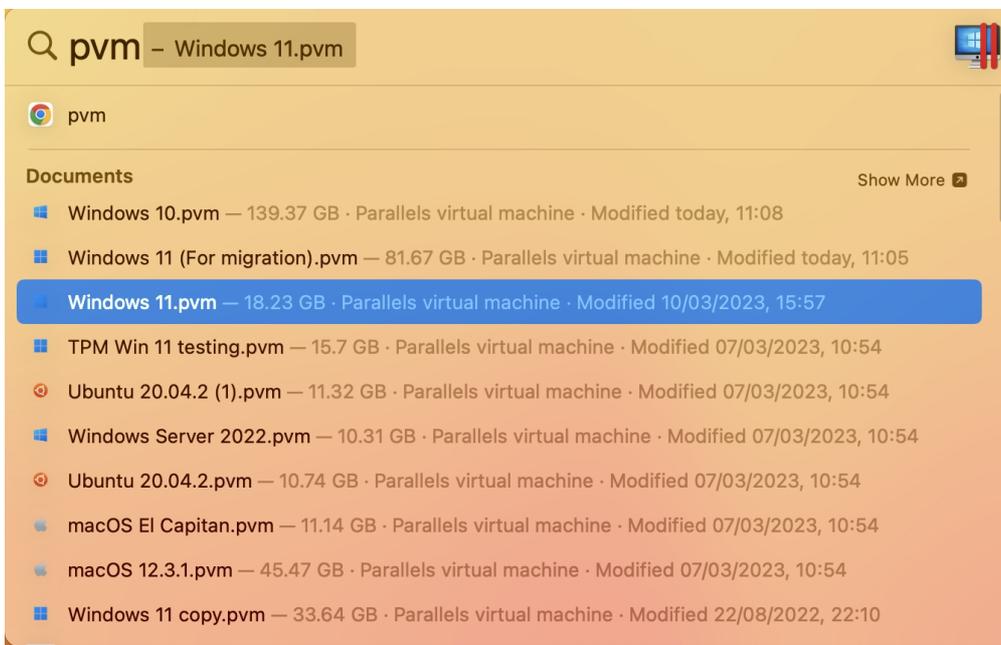
Finder will open a window with the list of your virtual machines.

Locate a VM using macOS Spotlight Search

By default, Spotlight Search indexes all the files on your Mac, including virtual machine bundles.

Find its icon in the right top corner or press Command+space to open Spotlight.

Type in **pvm** (Parallels virtual machine) or just the machine's name.



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