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What is the best VNC client for macOS?

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I need to remotely access a Linux machine and need to use the GUI. I was wondering what the best VNC client is for macOS? I don't mind paying if it is worth it.

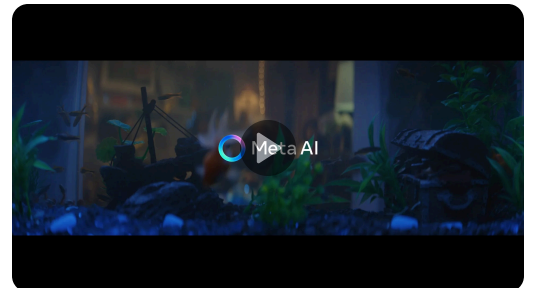
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you can use the built in VNC (edit:) if your linux machine is up to date and configured correctly.

In the finder , Go > "Connect to server..." and enter vnc://linuxmachine.local

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I tried this to connect to a rpi that was setup and got

The software on the remote computer appears to be incompatible with this version of Screen Sharing.

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Thanks, I've never knew MacOS has built-in VNC client

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I use Nomachine. the built in mac VNC doesn't allow you to use the windows button on a conected PC

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im having a rough time trying to get it to work with no machine.

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If you're looking the one compatible with raspberry pi, you probably have brew, so vnc-viewer is an option

```
brew install --cask vnc-viewer
```

it's compatible with pi's (4 at least) vnc settings, so simply connect via the ip address (get it with netstat) like 192.168.100.5, the home.local didn't work

or

```
brew install tiger-vnc
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You might want to give MultiVNC for Mac a try. It supports Tight encoding and encryption, has some limited power user features like statistics and input macros and is open source. Disclaimer: made by me.

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