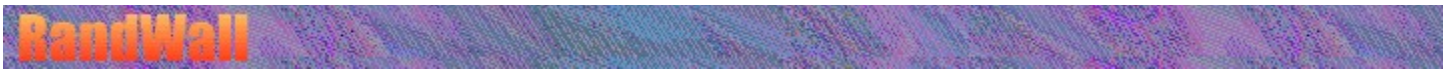

RandWall 1.5

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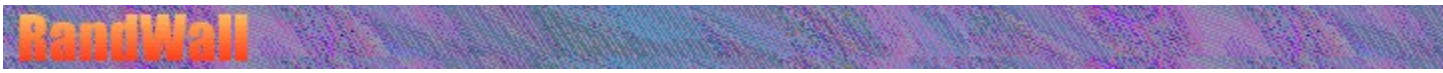
Introduction

Randwall uses mathematical equations to create its own unique wallpapers at random, saving space in your hard-drive. It creates new desktop backgrounds every time you launch Windows and at user-configurable intervals. The program uses mathematical equations to create its own unique graphics at random from several different internal image families. Use its setup program to determine the dimensions of each tile it generates, as well as the number of colors it uses. RandWall also has a Timer feature so you can change the background automatically in hours, minutes or seconds. You are able to set as wallpaper, save the bitmap and copy the RandWall's bitmaps to clipboard. There are several ways you can change the behavior of RandWall. The wallpaper sample area lets you preview the bitmaps that will be used as your desktop wallpaper. You may select whether you want to automatically change the current wallpaper every time the program is started (usually at computer start-up time) or set the amount of time between wallpaper changes. With RandWall you can stretch the wallpaper on your desktop so that it fills the entire screen. If you don’t have Microsoft Plus installed on your computer, you should check this option to let RandWall stretch the bitmaps to desktop size.



Features

RandWall uses a Control Panel to customize different aspects of the program (change the wallpaper, the bitmap size and the number of colors) to suit your computer and your preferences.

RandWall is a wallpaper randomizer for Windows which has the following features:
* Runs in the system tray, so it doesn't clutter the Taskbar.
* It has an easy preview option the "Wallpaper sample area."
* Changes your wallpaper at user-configurable intervals.
* Easy accessibility: You can change your current wallpaper by clicking on a tray icon. Configuring the program is just two clicks away.
* Stretching of bitmaps: Microsoft Plus includes the option to stretch bitmaps that do not fit on the desktop. If you don't have Microsoft Plus installed on your system you can have this same effect with RandWall.
* There are new alignment options; centered, tiled.
* Adapts to any size desktop and color depth.

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Tray Icon Operation

After RandWall is launched a little icon (the tray icon) representing a computer display will appear on the notification area of your toolbar.
The tray icon is represented below:

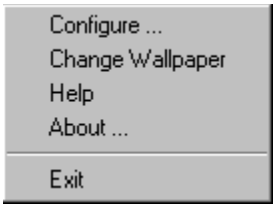
The tray icon lets you:

Change current wallpaper: Click on the tray icon to immediately change the wallpaper bitmap of your desktop.

Show the main menu: Right click on the tray icon to show the main menu of the application.

Main Menu Operation

The main menu of RandWall, represented below, has the following functions:



Configure: Opens the “Control Panel “ dialog.

Change Wallpaper: Equivalent to clicking on the tray icon.

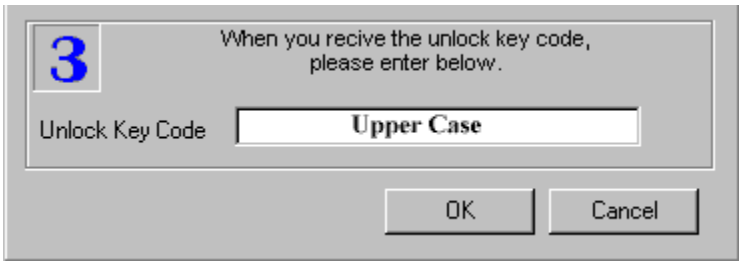
Help: Opens this Help file.

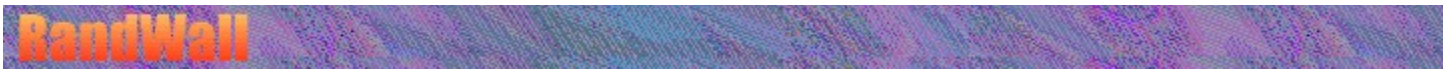
About: Opens About box.

Exit: Closes the program.

About Box

Register button: Opens the “registration dialog” so that you can enter the unlocking code you will receive after ordering the program. Please note that this button will disappear after you have entered a correct unlocking code.

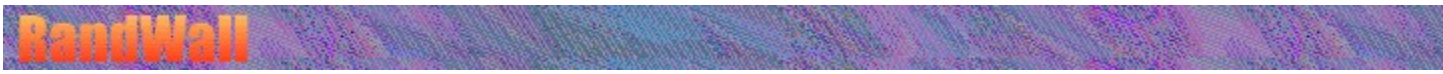




Configuring RandWall

There are several ways you can change the behavior of RandWall.

The Control Panel is represented below. Click anywhere to see detailed instructions on the function of each control:



Wallpaper Sample: The wallpaper sample area lets you preview the bitmaps that will be used as your desktop wallpaper.

New button: Generate a new pattern in wallpaper sample. Shows the patterns you can use to decorate the desktop.

Height: Let’s you choose the height for your pattern.

Width: Let’s you choose the width for your pattern.

Colors: Increases or decreases the number of colors.

Set As wallpaper button: If clicked the currently viewed bitmap will be set as the wallpaper.

Copy to Clipboard button: Copies the corrent bitmap to clipboard.

Save As button: Saves the current bitmap.

Change on Windows startup: you may select whether you want to automatically change the current wallpaper every time the program is started (usually at computer start-up time.)

Change Interval: Set the amount of time between wallpaper changes.

Tile: To cover your entire screen with a small wallpaper image, click “Tile.”

Center: To center a wallpaper image, click “Center.”

Stretch to desktop: Stretch to desktop size. With RandWall you can stretch the wallpaper on your desktop so that it fills the entire screen. If you don’t have Microsoft Plus installed on your computer, you should check this option to let RandWall stretch the bitmaps to desktop size.

Help button: Opens Help file.

Help button: Opens this Help file.

OK button: Closes the “Control Panel” and saves any changes you have made.

Cancel button: Closes the “Control Panel” without saving any changes you have made.

About button: Opens About Box.

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Setting up your Windows wallpaper.

As the Control Panel dialog states, configuring RandWall is a 6 step process:

Setp 1: Select height and width.

Setp 2: Select the number of colors.

Setp 3: Select the method of operation.
Randwall by defaul changes the wallpaper when it starts. You can disable it by unselecting the corresponding checkbox.

Step 4: Select the interval.
RandWall is a wallpaper randomizer. Therefore it is expected that you state how often you want the Windows wallpaper to change. You may precisely select the interval between wallpaper changes.

Step 5: Select Desktop settings.
Windows uses two different ways of drawing bitmaps when it uses them as the desktop wallpaper: tiled or centered.
To cover your entire sreen with a small wallpaper image, click “Tile.”
To center a wallpaper image, click “Center.”
In addition, RandWall can be instructed to stretch bitmaps.
Note that Microsoft Plus also has an option to stretch wallpaper so this setting is of interest of users who do not have Microsoft Plus installed.

Setp 6: Press “Set As wallpaper” button.