

About this software

About

What is it?

This software application is a handy tool for people like me who are spending lot's of time searching the various newsgroups posts, images, news, linux, stocks or links in google©.

It uses your windows default browser for showing search results. But it is also easy to customize the SearchTool to work with your favourite browser.

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Platforms:

Windows versions: 95/98/Me/NT/2000/XP

Browsers: Netscape 2+, Iexplorer v2+, Opera v3+, Mozilla candidate 1+, Netcaptor, Clickgarden....and many others

Questions?

If you have any questions related to this software application don't hesitate to ask them:

Found a bug? Please email (ggsearch@frysianfools.com) me about the problem. Or look for more info on the website.

Updates:

[Find update on website](#)

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Donations and gifts

Donations

Do you like to support freeware?

Yes You can use this program freely.

Yes I did spend all my free time programming it.

Yes It would be of great help If you supported me on the way.

Now.. before you people drop clothing and food for my House I would suggest a small donation in Euro's or Dollars.

By all means here is the adress:

Adress it to author: P.J.Kraaima

Accountnumber: 31.37.37.053 (Rabobank)

City: Harlingen, The Netherlands

Use as remark/description: GGSearch donation YOUR NAME

Future update's of the SearchTool Help file will contain a list of Donaters.

Are you the future sponsor of the Google©Searchtool?

The SearchTool could need your help!

If your company would like to have it's banner on this website, or to give it away as a promotion tool to clients with a custom touch... Send an email with your adress and your propossal to: ggsearch@frysianfools.com

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Does you search engine need a tool custom build to please more people and to provide more easy searching? Send an email with your adress and your propossal to: ggsearch@frysianfools.com

Thank you for using this tool!

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In normal mode you cannot send a search request for 1 single character. I call that: "do not search for a Single Character" mode. But many Chinese like languages use 1 character for a word or a meaning so to bypass the "do not search for a Single Character" mode:

open in notepad the *ggsearch.ini* (located in your installation folder)

Now put this line under the [GGSearchTool] tag:

BypassSingleChar=1

If you want to disable this option at a later time change it to:

BypassSingleChar=0

I do not recommend changing any of the other lines in *ggsearch.ini*

[Changing the language.](#)

Download a language file from the website.

(www.frysianfools.com/ggsearch/languages/)

Unzip this language file into the installation folder/directory.

Restart the tool and have fun!

Your language not available?

Look in your installation folder/directory for a file called: *language.ini*

If it is not there you can download it from the website.

(www.frysianfools.com/ggsearch/languages/)

Unzip this language file into the installation folder/directory.

Open in notepad the *language.ini* and change the text after the = character.

Example *language.ini*: Only change the text after the = (colored green in this example)

[LANGUAGE]

Click_here_for_options=**Click here for options**

Enter_a_search_query=**Enter a search query**

Search_in_options=**Search in options**

Go_and_search=**Go and search**

Go_and_search_button=**search**

Hide_searchtool=**Hide SearchTool**

Hide_searchtool_hint=**Hide the searchtool**

Show_searchtool=**Show the SearchTool**

It would be great if you send your native language file to us (ggsearch@frysianfools.com) so we can make it available on the website for the rest of the world. Ofcourse the credit and honor will be yours.

Note:

Made a big mistake in the *language.ini*? Delete the file and the tool will work normal again...

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Google©searchtool

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If you close the SearchTool by clicking on the x button in the main window it will minimize itself to the systemtray. The SearchTool can be closed by clicking the menu-option: exit
Single click on the tray icon minimizes or restores the main window.
Right mouse click on the tray icon popup's the option menu.

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Main Screen options

Main Screen Options

The main screen options are:

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www, news, groups, images, linux, uncle, lucky, links, related, cache, translate, info & stocks

[Status bar](#)

If you close the SearchTool from this window by clicking on the x it will minimize itself to the systemtray.

Tip:

The Google©SearchTool uses Mouse hints to help you a bit on your way ;) they show up in the status bar.

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MainScreen Query field

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In here you can fill in any search query you like.

Tip: Use – (the minus symbol) for things you don't want to show up.

Example: **freeware software –cnet –davecentral**

This shows the results of many websites excluding: Cnet or Davecentral websites.

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Main Screen Search In option

Main Screen "Search In" option:

This option lets you search with specific criteria.

Normal 'Search in' actions

Groups - Makes you search in groups only

Images - Makes you search for images only

www - Makes you search for websites only

News - Makes you search for news items...

Linux - Looking for Linux related results?

Uncle - Search for query's inside Uncle Sam's HQ.

Lucky - The Google engine takes the criteria and delivers directly to a webpage. (Are you lucky?)

For links / urls only:

The criteria : 'related:', 'links:', 'cache:', 'Translate' and 'info:' are for url's.

Could be handy if you like to know if your website is listed or who is related to your website-content.

Related: - This will list web pages that are "similar" to a specified web page address.

Links: - This will list webpages that have links to the specified webpage.

Cache: - This shows the page Google has in it's cache of the specified url.

Info: - This shows the information about the url Google has in it's cache

Translate: - Translate a webpage to english. Works for Italian, French, Spanish, German, and Portuguese pages

Special options:

Stocks: - Will treat the query as stock ticker symbol, and will link to a page showing this information. You must type in the ticker symbols and not the company name. So if you like to know what beer maker Heineken is doing on the market type: HEIN.AS

If you want more than one symbol put a space between two or more symbols:

Example for Heineken (Amsterdam) and McDonald's:

HEIN.AS MCD

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Main Screen Status bar

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At the bottom you'll find the help/hint messages.

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Show SearchTool

Let's you view or hide the main screen. It hides itself as a little icon in your traybar. Double click on the icon to make it appear again on your desktop. [-top-](#)

Open in same window

(If available)

If you like to view new results in the same browser window instead opening a new browser window this option does the work for you. The searchTool detects if the browser is willing to give you this option. If not the searchtool hides the option. [-top-](#)

Search Exact

Search with exact search query. [-top-](#)

SafeSearch

Searchresults without any adultsites (or less adultsites) . [-top-](#)

Relevance Filter / Date*for groups only

This filters bogus info /links/ websites in WWW search.

If you uncheck this option for searching in groups it shows the results sorted in date. [-top-](#)

Search in this language only

Choose between one of the 27 languages to search in. Contains almost all languages and some Google humour like: The Swedish chef and hackers language. [-top-](#)

Search between now and

Works for search in groups only: Return messages posted at a timeframe [-top-](#)

Page output

You can change the way how many results (10, 25, 50 or 100) are showing up in the browser window. Default is 10 [-top-](#)

SearchTool Options:

Result Language Output

Choose one of the 66 result languages. Set the Google resultpage, messages, and buttons to display in your selected language [-top-](#)

Clear History

Clears all search query's. [-top-](#)

Start-up with windows

Very handy if you like to start the GoogleSearchTool up when windows starts. [-top-](#)

Always on top

With this enabled the tool stays on top of the result window. [-top-](#)

Hide on search

Hides the searchtool after you enter a search query. [-top-](#)

Transparency

If you got windows 2000 or Windows XP you maybe like to use the transparency option. Users of other platforms do not see this option. [-top-](#)

Style

There are two kinds of styles.. The normal border style or the toolwindow style. [-top-](#)

Enable Custom browser

With this option you would be able to use the SearchTool with your Custom browser. When you enable this option a "popup" asks a name for your custom browser. After that a Filepopup should appear, browse to the folder/directory of the custom browser and pick out the browsers startup executable.

Now if you do a search with the SearchTool your custom browser displays the results. [-top-](#)

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