

Install Brave Browser with Homebrew



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Part of my [dotfiles strategy](#) is to automate most of initial setup in all of my Linux and Unix environments. Although most attention goes towards dedicated and virtual servers, I do explore options for automating my primary macOS workstation – and that’s where [Homebrew](#) just keeps on helping.

Install Brave browser in macOS

Yes, the easiest is to download package from the official Brave website. There’s an auto-update functionality there too, to be fair. But regular updates can’t be easily automated. That’s why I think **brew install of Brave** is a better solution – plus you can update quite a few software packages all at once at regular intervals if you manage them via brew.

IMPORTANT: you will need to remove the previous Brave browser installation, otherwise brew will give you an error:

```
##### 100.0%  
=> Verifying SHA-256 checksum for Cask 'brave-browser'.  
=> Installing Cask brave-browser  
=> Purging files for version 0.68.138 of Cask brave-browser  
Error: It seems there is already an App at '/Applications/Brave Browser.app'.
```

Remove previous Brave installation before installing with Homebrew

Once that is done, simply run:

```
$ brew cask install brave-browser
```

Here is how it will look, only takes a few seconds:

```
greys@maverick:~ $ brew cask install brave-browser  
Updating Homebrew...  
=> Satisfying dependencies  
=> Downloading https://github.com/brave/brave-browser/releases/download/  
Already downloaded: /Users/greys/Library/Caches/Homebrew/downloads/110e35  
=> Verifying SHA-256 checksum for Cask 'brave-browser'.  
=> Installing Cask brave-browser  
=> Moving App 'Brave Browser.app' to '/Applications/Brave Browser.app'.  
🍺 brave-browser was successfully installed!  
greys@maverick:~ $
```

Install Brave browser via brew cask

That's it! We've got the latest version of **Brave** installed:

About Brave



Brave



Brave is up to date

Version 0.68.138 Chromium: 77.0.3865.75 (Official Build) (64-bit)

Get help with Brave



[Give Brave browser a try](#) – it's fast and privacy friendly, which is a great combination. Think Brave Ads are coming to Europe and Brave Sync is something that's constantly being improved between mobile and desktop devices – I keep coming back to this browser to watch its progress.

See Also

- [Unix Projects: Compile Brave browser in Ubuntu 19.04](#)
- [Projects: Compiling Brave browser in Linux Mint](#)
- [Manage settings with dotfiles](#)
- [Install Docker with Homebrew](#)
- [Homebrew 2.0.0](#)
- [Overwrite symlinks with brew](#)
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