

# Top 10 Free and Open-Source Web Hosting Control Panels for Linux or Windows With Demos

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Web Hosting Control Panel

With the high cost and lock-ins of popular web hosting control panels such as [cPanel](#) [1] and [Plesk](#) [2], many people seek open-source alternatives. Being open-source, these control panels can be modified and tailored to your specific needs. Many of them also have comparable features to their proprietary counterparts. Below is a feature comparison chart for the 10 best open-source web hosting control panels of my choosing. My rankings are based on personal experience, usability, and features. There is also a brief description, screenshots, and link to a demo (if available) below. While there are many different types of open-source control panels, this article focuses primarily on control panels designed for web hosting. I hope this helps some of you with your decision of which control panel to use. If there are any other open-source or free web hosting control panels that you think are worth mentioning, leave a comment, and I will make sure to give it an honorable mention:

	Linux	Windows	Email	SSH	Biling	Client Portal	Active
ISPConfig							
Kloxo							
OpenPanel							
ZPanel							
GNUPanel							
EHCP							
ispCP							
VHCS							
GPLHost DTC							
RavenCore							

1. [ISPConfig](#) [3] - One of the most popular hosting panels for Linux. Has the most features and great community support. Runs on most major Linux distributions, including: Debian, Ubuntu, CentOS, Fedora, and OpenSuSE.

[Demo](#) [4] - Username: admin Password: demo



2. [Kloxo](#) [5] - A fully featured project that is actively maintained. It's noted for its sleek interface. Only runs on CentOS or RHEL.

[Demo](#) [6]



3. [OpenPanel](#) [7] - An actively maintained project for Linux, packed full of features. Has a great looking and easy to navigate interface. Also has a CLI, which can do most things the web interface can.

## OpenPanelGUI7

4. [ZPanel](#) [8] - A maintained project with plenty of features. The only one in this list that is designed for Linux and Windows.

[Demo](#) [9] - Username: zadmin Password: password



5. [GNUPanel](#) [10] - An active project with many features. Even though the name implies it is a member of the [GNU Project](#) [11], it currently is not. However, that is one of the goals of GNUPanel. To help them achieve this goal, please visit their [homepage](#) [10] and contribute with a donation

[Demo](#) [12]



6. [EHCP](#) [13] - Easy Hosting Control Panel is also an actively maintained project. It runs on Debian or Debian based distros (such as Ubuntu).

[Demo](#) [14] - Username: domain.com Password: 1234



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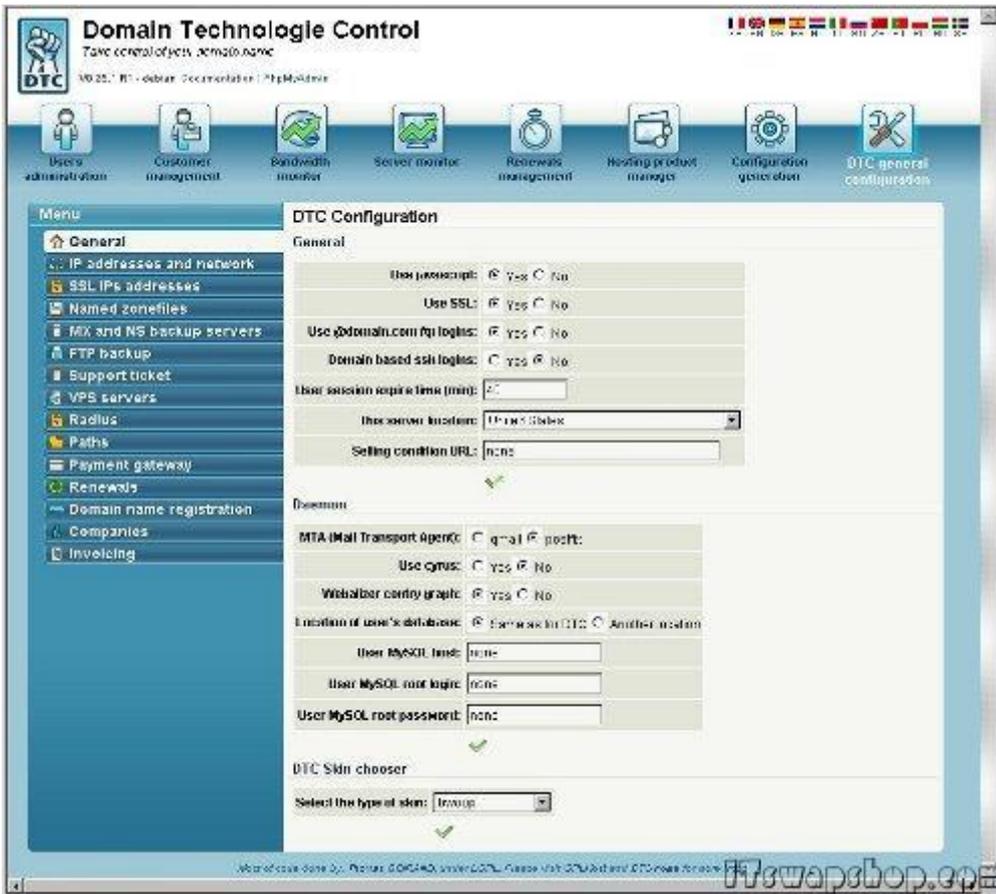
7. [i-spCP](#) [16] - A great panel with lots of features. The project is actively maintained. The project is based off and includes developers from the now unmaintained VHCS panel.



8. [VHCS](#)<sub>[15]</sub> - Full of features. A great project, yet no longer maintained.



9. [GPLHost DTC](#)<sub>[17]</sub> - A well featured project that has some interesting features. The interface could use some design updates.



10. [RavenCore](#)<sub>[18]</sub> - No longer updated, but it has some features that make it worth while. Very lightweight and designed with security in mind.



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- [1] <http://cpanel.net/>
- [2] <http://www.parallels.com/products/plesk/>
- [3] <http://www.ispconfig.org/>
- [4] <http://demo3.ispconfig.org/>
- [5] <http://lxcenter.org/software/kloxo>
- [6] <http://demo.kloxo.com:7778/>
- [7] <http://www.openpanel.com/>
- [8] <http://www.zpanelcp.com/>
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- [12] <http://en.demo.gnupanel.org/>
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- [14] <http://208.68.164.210/ehcpdemo/>
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