

how to read linux (ext2, ext3) file system from windows

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Explore2fs is a GUI explorer tool for accessing ext2 and ext3 filesystems. It runs under all versions of Windows and can read almost any ext2 and ext3 filesystem

Explore2fs can be downloaded from <http://www.chrysocome.net/explore2fs>

related:

Virtual Volumes has the ability to read ReiserFS and many other filesystems

Current Features of Virtual Volumes:

- Supported by all versions of Windows (Vista is still Work In Progress)
- Read and Write LVM2 (linear stripes only)
- Read and Write EXT2/EXT3 (e2fsprogs/libext2fs)
- Read ReiserFS (rfstools)
- Read and Write Win32 filesystems (Win32 API)
- Read FAT12/FAT16/FAT32 without using Win32
- Read and Write software RAID0, RAID1 and RAID5
- Read and Write via SFTP
- Read and Write VMWare disks
- VFS allows mounting on subdirectories
- VFS abstraction allows multiple filesystems to be supported
- VFS abstraction allows network filesystems like ftp, http and scp to be supported
- Command line interface
- Drag & Drop GUI
- Auto detect available filesystems for GUI quickstart

Planned Features of Virtual Volumes:

- More filesystems (HFS, ISO9660, NTFS, ...)
- More file based filesystems (.zip, .tgz etc)
- Accessable in native namespace
- NT Kernel driver to enable IFS to read LVM2