Lynx Text-mode web browser

CONCEPTS

Lynx has no mouse pointer: the cursor jumps from link to link, and the highlighted link is the one you act on.

Page rendered as text
↓ Down / Up
Link highlighted
↓ Right / Enter
New page stacked in history

Left goes back one page, Backspace opens the History list, V the list of visited links.

Lynx shows no images or JavaScript; it is handy over SSH and for reading pages as plain text.

Press ? or h inside Lynx for the built-in help, k for the key map.

NAVIGATION

Down / Up Next / previous link

Right / Enter Follow link

Left Go back

Space / PgDn Page down

b / PgUp Page up

g Go to a URL

q Quit, with confirmation

Backspace History list

V Visited links list

m Back to the start page

Ctrl + A / Ctrl + E
Top / bottom of page

(/) Half page back / forward

Ctrl + N / Ctrl + P
Two lines down / up

G Edit current URL, then go

E Edit current link URL, then go

Jump to toolbar or banner

LINKS AND PAGES

l List links on this page

A Show addresses of links

= Info on page and link

\ Toggle HTML source view

Ctrl + R Reload page

x Reload bypassing cache

Ctrl + L Redraw screen

d Download current link

p Print, mail or save page

] Send HEAD request

| Toggle line wrapping

* Toggle image links

z Interrupt a transfer

! Spawn a shell

i Document index

e Edit local file in editor

SEARCH

/ Search in page

n Repeat search forward

FORMS

Down / Up / Tab
Move between fields

Enter
Activate field or press button

Ctrl + V Leave line editing

Ctrl + X › e
Edit textarea in external editor

BOOKMARKS AND OPTIONS

a
Add page or link to bookmarks

v View bookmarks

r
Remove bookmark under cursor

BOOKMARKS AND OPTIONS (cont.)

o Open the options menu

> Save options to .lynxrc

Ctrl + K Cookie jar

COMMAND LINE

lynx -dump *<url>*
Print rendered page to stdout

lynx -source *<url>*
Print raw HTML to stdout

lynx -dump -nolist *<url>*
Dump without the links list

lynx -dump -width=*<n>* *<url>*
Set dump line width

lynx -head -dump *<url>*
Show response headers only

lynx -accept_all_cookies *<url>*
Accept cookies without asking

lynx -useragent=*<string>* *<url>*
Send another User-Agent

lynx -auth=*<id>*:*<pw>* *<url>*
Credentials for protected page

lynx -number_links *<url>*
Number links for quick selection

lynx -vikeys *<url>*
Use vi movement keys

lynx -stdin
Read the start page from stdin

lynx -cmd_script=*<file>* *<url>*
Replay keystrokes from a file

RECIPES

Page text to a file

```
lynx -dump -nolist https://
example.org > page.txt
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Extract every link address

```
lynx -dump https://example.org |
sed -n '/^References/,$p'
```

Render a local HTML file on the terminal

```
lynx -dump -width=100 page.html
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Pipe through a pager

```
lynx -dump https://example.org |
less
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