

Draw.io	Markent van Zalm	Overall Rating = 4
---------	------------------	--------------------

Draw.io

The Good	The Bad	The Bottomline
Free. Speedy. Excellent real-time collaboration support included when connected to a Google account.	Collection of templates and shapes is unimpressive. Not as easy for non-designers to use as other diagramming apps. Importing from other file types was unsuccessful in testing.	Draw.io is a useful, free diagramming service with strong collaboration features via Google. It's handy if you only occasionally need to make diagrams, but for better functionality and more templates you'll want a premium service.

Draw.io	Mateen van Zelm	Overall Rating = 4
---------	-----------------	--------------------

Specifications

The official website of the tool is

<https://chrome.google.com/webstore/detail/drawio-desktop-pebppomjfoonogkeepgbmoifnnindla?hl=en-GB> To go to the download for your desktop; online version is this link; <https://www.draw.io/>

The tool is made by

It's build around google drive, but I couldn't find who specific made it.
Email: support@draw.io Privacy Policy 20-22 Wenlock Road London N1 7GU UK

You can find the official documentation on:

n/a

Is there a user forum/ bug tracker/ issue tracker and if so where?

Start up: <https://support.draw.io/display/DOD/Draw.io+Online+User+Manual>
Bugtracker: <https://support.draw.io/display/DOB/2016/04/28/draw.io+API> There is an website that shows the data that keeps track of how good the programs work <http://status.draw.io/607170/history>

I reviewed version Version: 7.3.9
Updated: 13 September 2017 of the Software The interface:

- what is it : online tool
- what is it for ?image processing, writing, website making and posting
- this tool functions : both
- this tool is available for : Windows
- this tool is : Free Beer
- does this tool have a paid version available? yes

Draw.io	Marleen van Zalm	Overall Rating = 4
---------	------------------	--------------------

Review

The user interface:

Personally I find the interface very easy. But I can imagine when somebody doesn't have any experience with these kind of building tools that it can be hard in the beginning.

Tutorials / Instructions:

useful / helpful : 4

clear : 5

quick and easy to understand : 4,5

What notable things do other users say about this tool? (either good or bad)

Draw.io isn't the best flowchart or diagramming app, but it is the best one that offers a totally free level of service. Draw.io has a paid version for Confluence Server, which is how the app is profitable, but all its other versions, including the online Web-based one reviewed below, are free. This tool helps you create diagrams and other visuals with a lot more ease than if you were using vector software. When used with Google Drive, Draw.io has good support for real-time collaboration so that more than one person can work on a diagram simultaneously. Because many diagramming apps, such as Microsoft Visio, can be expensive, the free Draw.io is a fine option if you only need this kind of software every so often. If diagramming is an important part of your work, however, you should pay for a more powerful app. Lucidchart and SmartDraw are the Editors' Choices in this category.

Testing the tool (learning by doing — trial and error) What would/could a designer use this tool for?

Great example of what can be done with Draw.io

<https://about.draw.io/submit-europe-2017-what-does-leonardo-think-about-draw-io/>

Depending on what kind of free this tool is, how "free" is this tool really?

Draw.io writes: You own the content you produce and may use it for any purpose all cases. We don't sell your personal information or data. Or I really believe it, no. It works together with chrome, and a part of me thinks that they own your information when you upload it like a program like this.

Please add any additional comments below:

This is an easy tool to build up your ideas into diagrams and tell your story. You don't need any type of training, as the tool is pretty straightforward and intuitive.

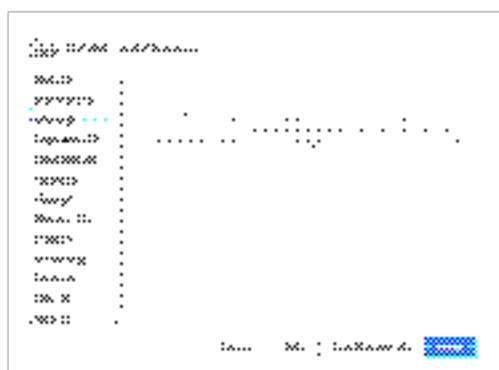
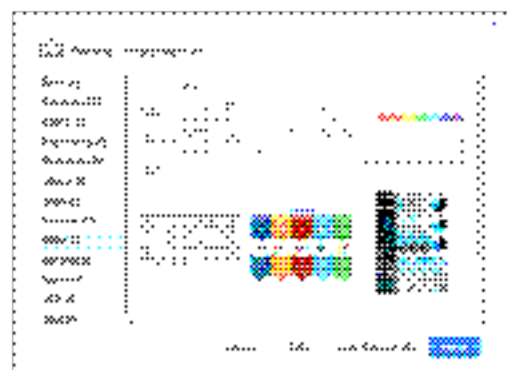
As an official reviewer for the Great Free Graphic Software Review I confirm I have filled in the above review at the best of my abilities, with care, patience and without prior prejudice, so help me Tux.

Marleen van Zalm,

19/01/2017

Images

Interface



Testing the tool

