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Cheat Sheet: The Tor Project Browser

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The Tor Project is a browser system that allows users to anonymously access websites located on the the “Dark Web,” derived from a software project that was called “The Onion Router.” Websites that can only be accessed via the Tor browser typically have a URL address that ends with “.onion.” The following is a guide for users that are new to Tor.

SETTING UP THE TOR BROWSER

https://www.torproject.org	Information on the Tor Project and Tor Browser can be found here
torbrowser-install-10.0.9_en-US.exe	Download and run this file from the Tor Project website
“Start Tor Browser” icon	Pin a copy of this icon to your desktop task bar for easy access
https://about:tor	This is the first page you see when you open the Tor Project Browser
Default Page	Provides you a search bar for the DuckDuckGo default Tor search engine
https://duckduckgo.com	The URL address for the DuckDuckGo search engine (bookmark for now)
Type in “whatismyipaddress” and hit enter	Go to the https://whatismyipaddress.com website to see your Tor IP location.
Go back to duckduckgo.com	Congratulations — you are now ready to start searching the Dark Web, or you can simply use this browser to search the internet anonymously

SEARCHING FOR TOR/ONION SITES USING THE TOR BROWSER

https://thehiddenwiki.org	Hidden Wiki: “.onion” URL directories (’.org’ accessible on all browsers)
https://zqktlwi4fecvo6ri.onion	The Hidden Wiki: dark web list that links to onion-based websites
http://3g2upl4pq6kufc4m.onion	DuckDuckGo: dark web version of the surface web search engine
http://torwikignoueupfm.onion	TorWiki: links to and provides status of onion-based websites
http://msydqstlz2kzerdg.onion	AHMIA.FI: Tor hidden service search tool for .onion directories
“Clearnet”	A term meaning that the tool searches for surface and deep web results



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CAUTIONS FOR USING THE TOR BROWSER

Malware threats	Adopt the same precautions for malware here as you would elsewhere
Unable to connect	The website may be down temporarily or permanently
"This site has been seized"	Valid FBI warning indicating the website will be down permanently
"HTML5 canvas image data"	Popup request for identifying your computer system (do not accept)
https://panopticklick.eff.org	Use this website while using the Tor browser to test your browser image

Since December 2014, the Dark Web has undergone significant changes due to law enforcement activities, including the shutting down of hundreds of illegal and scam websites, and IT advancements that mitigate Tor anonymity. The following websites have been confirmed as active or inactive.

FAMOUS DARK WEBSITES NO LONGER ACTIVE

Silk Road (online black market)	Website shut down by FBI after arresting site operator in 2013
HackBB	Dark Web forum for criminals, embezzled by insider mole in 2013
Silk Road 2 (another black market)	Black market website shut down by FBI in 2014
Doxbin	Dark Web document transfer website shut down by FBI in 2014
Galaxy Social Network	Dark Web social networking that went down December 2015
Hitman Network	Dark Web scam website that went down after December 2015
Islamic Struggle	Dark Web site for donating to terrorism, taken down as of October 2015
Old Man Fixer	Dark Web scam site offering "fixer" services, down as of October 2015



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EXAMPLES OF ACTIVE DARK WEBSITES

https://www.facebookcorewwi.onion	The onion-based version of the Facebook social media website
http://5zkfuvtrpotg2nzd.onion	Executive Outcomes: Dark Web arms sales, weapon sales and shipping
http://2ogmrlfzdthnwkez.onion	Rent-a-Hacker: Dark Web site, offers hacking services
http://2kka4f23pcxgqkpv.onion	EuroGuns: Dark Web website, offers sales of guns (possible scam site)
http://s5q54hfww56ov2xc.onion	BitPharma: Dark Web site, offers sales of drugs (possible scam site)
http://xfnwyig7olypdq5r.onion	USACitizenship: Dark Web site, offers fake ID and passports
http://ow24et3tetp6tvmk.onion	OnionWallet: Dark Web site, offers e-wallet and coin services
http://zzq7gpluliw6iq7l.onion	TheGreenMachine: Dark Web forum, ask e-currency related questions
http://atswebe5z63wu5w6.onion/product-category/twh/	Tor hidden website hosting

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