



Spine OS

What to expect — from download to running, in about fifteen minutes

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WHAT TO EXPECT

One download. One folder you own. A guided setup.

Use your code, sign in, and download once. On a Mac you open **Install Spine-OS**; on Windows you double-click `Install Spine-OS.cmd` . Either way a guided setup walks you from the licence to a working dashboard, and everything stays on your own machine.

Local-first

Your files never leave your machine. Nothing is uploaded.

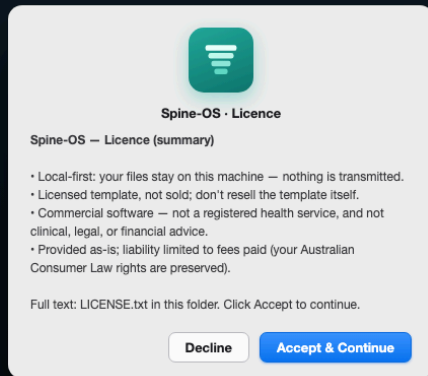
No admin rights

Everything is written inside the folder you choose, and nowhere above it.

Yours

One folder of open markdown you can move, copy or back up.

- **Expect one security prompt.** The installer is signed but not yet notarised, so macOS and Windows each ask once whether you meant to open it. Page 9 shows exactly what to click.



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Accept the licence

◆ YOU SEE

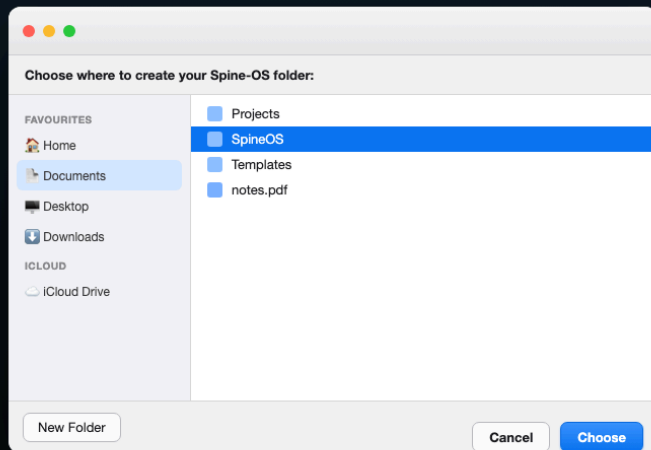
A short, plain-English licence — local-first, your data stays yours, not a registered health service.

◆ YOU DO

Read it, then Accept & continue.

◆ ON YOUR COMPUTER

Your acceptance is recorded on your machine only. Nothing is written until you accept.

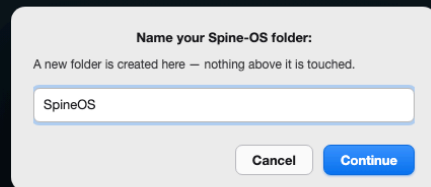


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Choose where it lives

- ◆ **YOU SEE**
A normal folder picker. Documents is ideal.
- ◆ **YOU DO**
Pick a folder and choose it.
- ◆ **ON YOUR COMPUTER**
Nothing outside the folder you choose is ever touched — no administrator rights needed.



Name your Spine-OS folder:

A new folder is created here — nothing above it is touched.

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Cancel Continue

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Name it

◆ YOU SEE

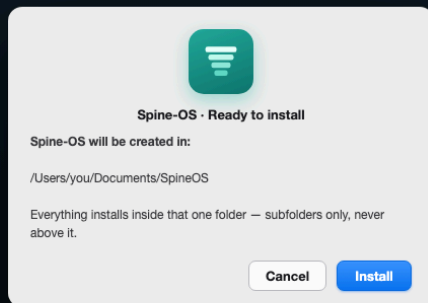
A name for your folder, and your practice or business name.

◆ YOU DO

Keep the default, or type your own.

◆ ON YOUR COMPUTER

A new folder is created there. Nothing above it is touched.

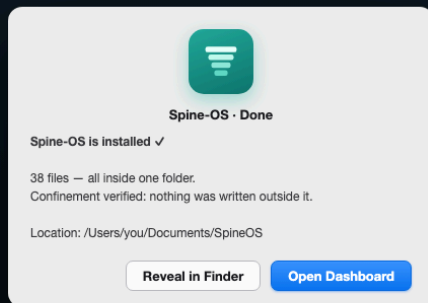


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See the plan, then install

- ◆ **YOU SEE**
Exactly where Spine OS will be created, before a single file is written.
- ◆ **YOU DO**
Install.
- ◆ **ON YOUR COMPUTER**
Files are copied into that one folder — subfolders only, never above it.



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Confinement is verified

◆ YOU SEE

A count of the files installed and a confirmation that nothing was written outside your folder.

◆ YOU DO

Open dashboard.

◆ ON YOUR COMPUTER

A support receipt is written to `_install` inside your own folder. It stays on your machine.

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Local-first · offline · v1.1.0-preview

One place the moving parts agree. Open a lane to get to work — every file is plain markdown on your disk.

Set up workspace

Tailor folders & governance to how you work. Offline, deterministic.

Inbox

Capture first, sort later. Nothing falls through.

Projects

One folder per engagement. Status at a glance.

Governance

ADRs & SOPs — decisions written down once.

Clients

People, matters and files that stay on your turf.

Setup guide

Wire your own LLM. Set it up at your pace.

Governance starter

Templates to make the system legible.

Starter template (preview). This dashboard is a static offline shell — no server, no tracking, no network calls. Adapt the vault to your own professional and regulatory obligations before relying on it.

STEP 6 OF 6

You're running

◆ YOU SEE

Your dashboard opens in your browser — inbox, projects, clients, governance.

◆ YOU DO

Open `START-WITH-YOUR-AI.md` whenever you want to point Claude or ChatGPT at the folder.

◆ ON YOUR COMPUTER

Your business runs locally, from plain files you own and can read without us.

GOOD TO KNOW

Representative screens. macOS shown. Windows is a real installer too.

- These are **representative macOS screens** of the guided setup, drawn to match the real wizard step for step.
- **Windows works the same way, with its own installer.** Download the Windows version, right-click the zip → **Properties** → tick **Unblock** → **OK**, then extract it and open the Spine-OS folder. Double-click `Install Spine-OS.cmd` — if SmartScreen appears, choose **More info** → **Run anyway** (it is unsigned for now). The installer asks where it should live, your practice name, and the licence; type `ACCEPT`, and your dashboard opens when it finishes. No administrator rights are needed.
- **One security prompt is expected on both systems.** On a Mac, right-click **Install Spine-OS** → **Open** the first time. The signing certificate is still in progress — nothing is wrong with your download.
- **You can check the install at any time.** Windows ships `Verify Spine-OS.ps1`; it writes a plain report to `_install\VERIFY-LATEST.json` inside your own folder and changes nothing else.

The Windows install, step by step.

- 1 Right-click the downloaded zip → **Properties** → tick **Unblock** → **OK**, then extract it. Only needed if Windows says the file came from another computer.
- 2 Open the extracted **Spine-OS** folder and double-click `Install Spine-OS.cmd` . If SmartScreen appears: More info → Run anyway. No administrator rights are requested.
- 3 Answer three plain questions: where it should live (Documents is the default), your practice or business name, and the licence — type **ACCEPT** .
- 4 Choose whether to share one de-identified install result. The default is No. If you opt in, only the version, Windows/architecture and success or failure are sent.
- 5 Your dashboard opens in your browser. A receipt is written to `_install\INSTALL-RECEIPT.json` inside your own folder.

There is no `Start Spine-OS.html` in the Windows kit. `Install Spine-OS.cmd` is the only thing you double-click.

Your business, on your hard drive.

One folder you own. Offline. Yours. Run by your AI.

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