

02. Open Source Apps where to find them ?

Yeah sure open source concept is clear but where do we find all the open source apps ? Where can I find alternatives to Netflix ? Google Photos etc. ? Well there are luckily many sources online that do just that. I will outline a couple of the ones for discovering open source apps but most often you can just use your favorite search engine (that's not Google, Bing etc.) and search for

Open source alternative for X

Alternativeto.net

This provides you most often with the website alternativeto.net which is a great resource for alternative applications for any proprietary and open source application. You just need to make sure that it has the tag *Free* and *Open Source* tag associated with it. Also on the website itself you can directly search for open source alternatives for an application.

Type in the right top corner the application you want to find an alternative for. This results then all alternatives to that specific app including proprietary ones. However, we only want Open Source and hence you can select the tag Open Source. Then it will display all open source alternatives to the proprietary app in question. For instance we below we searched for open source alternatives to Google Photos.

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The Best Open Source Google Photos Alternatives

Top Photo Managers & Photo Sharing Apps like Google Photos

The best open source alternative to Google Photos is [Ente Photos](#). If that doesn't suit you, our users have ranked more than 100 alternatives to Google Photos and loads of them is open source so hopefully you can find a suitable replacement. Other interesting open source alternatives to Google Photos are [Nextcloud](#), [Immich](#), [Proton Drive](#) and [PhotoPrism](#).

FILTER TO FIND THE BEST ALTERNATIVES

Google Photos alternatives are mainly Photo Managers, but if you're looking for [Photo Sharing Apps](#) or [Image Viewers](#) you can filter on that. Other popular filters include [EU](#), [Android](#), [Linux](#), [Kindle Fire](#), [Android + Image Viewer](#), [Open Source](#) and [Self-Hosted](#). You can also filter by region, for example [EU-based alternatives](#) if you prefer software developed in the European Union. These are just examples - use the filter bar below to find more specific alternatives to Google Photos.

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Google Photos Alternatives with 1 filter

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Simply type in the proprietary app and the alternatives will show up. It is also just great to scroll through the apps and discover apps that you did not even know you wanted ;)

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Godot

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Gaming

Core

☆ 86,104

Local Control, Global Community

Automation

Odoo

☆ 50,208

All-in-one business suite

CRM

Grafana

☆ 73,299

Unified observability and visualization platform

Observability and monitoring

Rocket.Chat

☆ 45,176

Rocket.Chat v7.0 Roadmap Webinar

Communication

Mastodon

☆ 49,847

Decentralized social media platform

Social Media

ClickHouse

☆ 46,964

Real-time analytics DBMS

Analytics

WooCommerce

☆ 10,259

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E-commerce

TiDB

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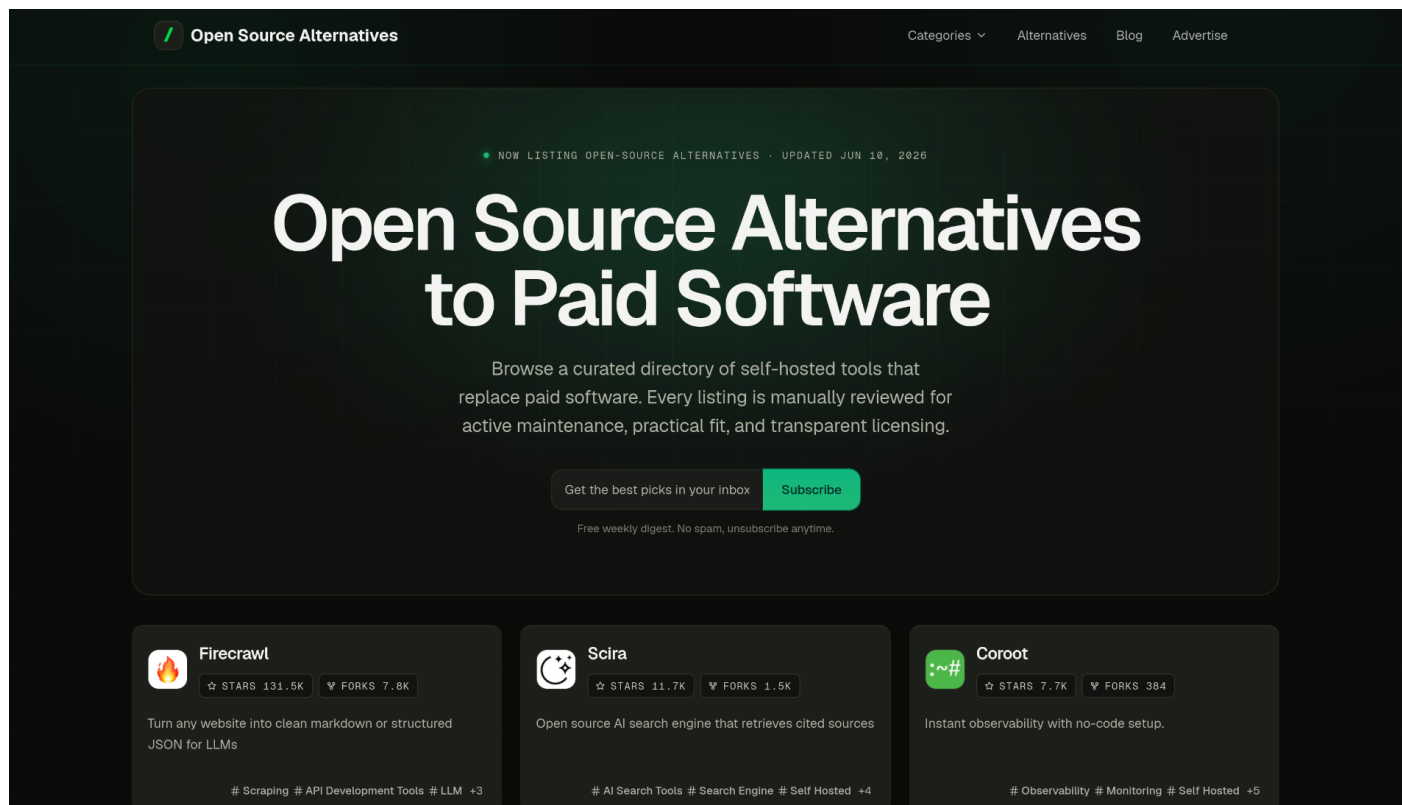
Open-source distributed SQL database

Database

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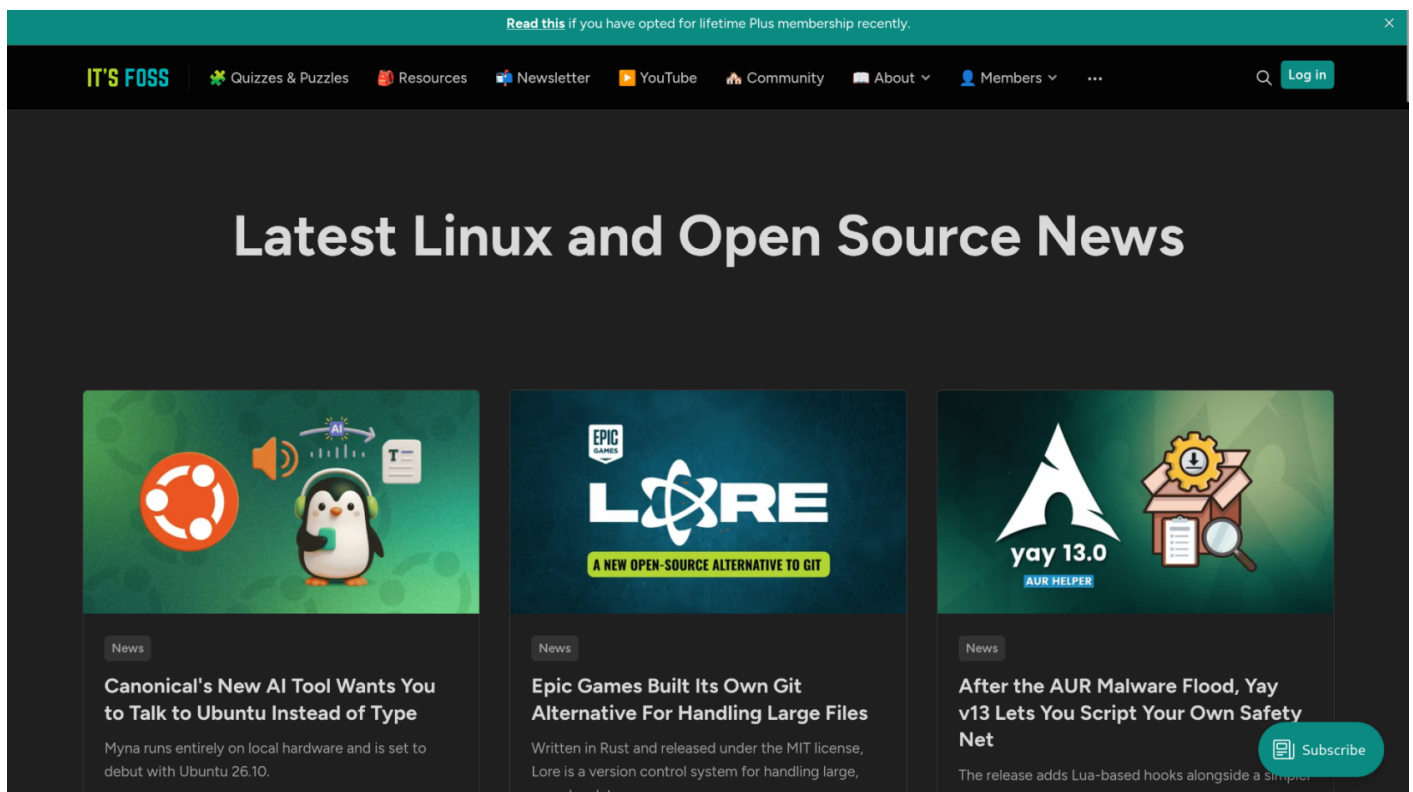
The only difference in the domain name is the letter "s" in the end ;) But the idea is quite similar to opensourcealternative.to.



Itsfoss (Blog)

Source: itsfoss.com

This is a blog with the latest open source releases and discussions within the open source industry. It is definitely worth to spend you time here if you are interested in the movement or you simply hit the limit of the open source applications you are already hosting on your server.



Now, this list is by no means complete and there are tons of other sources out there. This is just a sample of the sources that I personally use ;) Now, next to blogs and these search websites there are also Youtube Channels that you can follow. Yes, Youtube ain't open source however sadly enough it is the only place so far to reach the biggest audience and hence people are locked into the platform. We at Deternet however do try to use [Peertube](#) for our videos instead of Youtube even though the audience will be way less than it could have been on Youtube.

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