

Android 4.1.1 Jelly Bean has finally started arriving on Google Nexus S in form of the JRO03E OTA update starting with select regions of the world but if you haven't received the automated over-the-air update yet but can't wait to get Jelly Bean on your Nexus S, we're here to help! In what follows, we will guide you through installing the latest Jelly Bean up and running on your phone in no time. Read on for more details and the complete instructions.

Installing Jelly Bean on Nexus S

Excited about Google's latest version of Android? After being showcased on the Nexus 7 tablet at Google I/O in late June and released to Galaxy Nexus a week back, the JB update is finally being pushed to the international GSM version of Nexus S. If you are running the latest version of Android 4.0.4 Ice Cream Sandwich on yours, you should receive the update notification anytime, if you haven't already. However, those with custom ROMs or those running an earlier version of Android on their devices (even those on 4.0.3 ICS) will not be able to get the Jelly Bean update directly, and must first install the 4.0.4 ROM. That can be a hassle, so we'll just bypass it and install Jelly Bean directly. So without any further ado, let's proceed and get Jelly Bean on our Nexus S manually.



Rooting Jelly Bean on Nexus S (Also installs ClockworkMod Recovery)

If you want to go one step ahead and root Jelly Bean on your phone, fret not – we are here to help you with that too!

Requirements:

- Android SDK installed on your system to use fastboot. See our [Android SDK Installation guide](#)
- Unlocked bootloader on your Nexus S. If you haven't unlocked yours already, see our guide on [unlocking the Nexus S bootloader](#) .
- [Latest ClockworkMod recovery image](#) . Make sure to download the version for Google Nexus S. We recommend the touch version, but both should work.
- [Simple Root](#) by XDA-Developers forum member kibmcz (Contains su binary, SuperUser.apk and busybox. Also removes the script that always restores stock recovery upon reboot, so that your ClockworkMod recovery stays installed)

Procedure:

1. Transfer the Simple-Root-1.0.zip file to your SD card.
2. On your computer, rename the downloaded ClockworkMod recovery image file from recovery-clockwork-X.X.X.X-crespo.img to recovery.img.
3. Reboot into fastboot mode. To do that, power your phone off, then press and hold the volume-up button and press the power button, not releasing the volume-up button till you see the FASTBOOT MODE screen.
4. Connect your phone to the computer via USB, if it isn't already connected.
5. Launch a command prompt window on your computer and navigate to the folder where you copied your recovery.img.
6. Enter the following command: fastboot flash recovery recovery.img
7. Now navigate to the 'RECOVERY' option in the fastboot menu and enter it. You will now be in ClockworkMod recovery.
8. In ClockworkMod recovery menu, go to 'install zip from sdcard' followed by 'choose zip from sdcard'.
9. Scroll to select the Simple-Root-1.0.zip file and confirm its installation by tapping Yes.
10. Once the installation is complete, tap 'reboot system now' from the main recovery menu.

Congratulations – your Nexus S is now rooted on Android 4.1.1 Jelly Bean.

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