

FloDee Keyboard and Mouse Manual

Every gesture and key in FloDee for Linux

Opening and closing FloDee

Gesture / key	What it does
Double-tap ` (backtick)	Bring FloDee to the pointer. The key still reaches the app you are typing in.
Forward mouse button	Bring FloDee to the pointer (the thumb button, X11 button 9). The press still reaches the app under the cursor.
Ctrl + Alt + Space	Bring FloDee to the pointer from the keyboard.
Hover the Floater Dot	The panels appear after about a quarter of a second.
Move the pointer away	Everything hides once the pointer leaves the dot and its panels by more than the Hover Buffer (Settings > Inputs).

The backtick and the forward button are only observed, never taken over, so they keep working in your other apps. Ctrl + Alt + Space belongs to FloDee while it runs. On Wayland the desktop does not let one app see another's input, so these are not available there.

Floater Dot

Gesture / key	What it does
Left-Click	Show or hide the panels; wakes a dormant FloDee.
Hold Left & Drag	Move the dot.
Right-Click	Open FloDee's menu.
Middle-Click	Exit FloDee immediately (your layout is saved automatically).
Drop files on the dot	Stage them on the File Shelf.

Any panel

Gesture / key	What it does
Drag the title bar (or an empty part)	Move the panel.
Edges and corners	Resize the panel.
Mouse wheel on a title bar	Step through your Saved Home Positions.

Double-click a title bar	Flip between Home 1 and the last home used.
 Anchor Panels (Floater menu)	Lock every panel in place.
Right-click a title bar	Panel options (Magnifier, Input Visualizer, Chat Channel, OBS Control, Widgets).

Open Apps

Gesture / key	What it does
Left-Click an icon	Bring that window to the front.
Right-Click an icon	Minimise it, or restore it if minimised.
Middle-Click an icon	Close the window gently.
Shift + Right-Click	Maximise or restore.
Ctrl + Scroll Wheel	Resize the icons.
F5	Refresh the list.
Esc	Hide the panel.

User Apps

Gesture / key	What it does
Left-Click	Launch the app, or open the file or folder.
Middle-Click	Launch a new instance.
Ctrl + Scroll Wheel	Resize the icons.

Files panel

Gesture / key	What it does
Left-Click	Open a file with its default program; a folder opens in the panel.
Middle-Click	Open the item's containing folder.
Ctrl + Left-Click	Copy the item's path.
Ctrl + Scroll Wheel	Cycle views: super-small, small, medium and large icons, then Details.
◀ / ▶	Back / forward through the folders you visited.
	Jump to the top of the file system (/).

✕	Close the panel and reset it to your home folder.
Backspace or Alt + Up	Up one folder.
Alt + Left / Alt + Right	Back / forward.
Arrow keys, Enter	Move the selection, open it.
Type letters or digits	Jump to a matching name.
Ctrl + H	Show or hide hidden (dot) files.
Esc	Hide the panel.

Notepad

Gesture / key	What it does
(typing)	Saved automatically a moment after you stop.
Ctrl + F	Search: Enter finds the next match, Shift + Enter the previous one, Esc closes.
Ctrl + S	Save right now.
A- / A+	Text size, 6 to 36 pt.
	Insert an entry from your clipboard history at the cursor.
 or right-click > Clear All Text	Clear the note (asks first).
Esc	Close search, or hide the panel.

Clipboard History

Gesture / key	What it does
Click an entry	Copy it back to the clipboard (images come back as pictures).
Ctrl + Click / Shift + Click / Ctrl + A	Build a selection; Esc clears it.
 Copy or Enter	Copy the selection back; several texts are joined line by line.
 Pin	Pinned entries are kept forever and listed first.
✕ Delete or the Delete key	Remove from the history.
Search box	Filter the history.

Magnifier

Gesture / key	What it does
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Scroll Wheel	Zoom (1× to 32×) toward the pointer.
Left-Click + Drag	Pan.
Right-Click	Smooth Scaling, Reset Zoom, Center on Cursor,  Copy Color Here.

Input Visualizer

Gesture / key	What it does
Scroll Wheel	Zoom the drawing.
Right-click the title bar	Show Mouse, Show Keyboard, Reset Zoom, opacity.
Alt + Shift + R	Treat the forward mouse button as a wheel tilt on the drawing.

Capturing the screen

Gesture / key	What it does
Left-Click & Drag	Mark the region.
F	Select the whole screen.
Esc or Right-Click	Cancel.
 Start Timer	Off, 3, 5, 10, 15, 30 seconds or 1 minute before the capture starts; one shared setting.
Countdown pill	✕ Cancel, Esc or right-click aborts.
Recording pill	■ Stop, Esc or right-click stops;  draws on the recording,  clears the drawing.
Caption prompt (optional)	Type a caption and press Enter, or Esc to skip.

Screen Ruler

Gesture / key	What it does
Move the mouse	Crosshair and readout follow.
Click + drag	Measure; releasing copies the measurement.
Click	Copy the colour under the pointer.
C	Copy the current colour.
U	Cycle units: Pixels, Metric, Imperial.
X	Toggle the inverting crosshair.

G	Toggle the tick marks.
Esc or Right-Click	Close the ruler.

Webcam

Gesture / key	What it does
 Photo or Space	Save a photo (after the ⌚ Start Timer if one is set).
● Record / ■ Stop	Record an MP4 video.
Esc	Close the webcam window.

Other keys

Gesture / key	What it does
Command Palette: ↑ / ↓, Enter, Esc	Choose, run, close.
Grep: Enter, Ctrl + C, Ctrl + wheel	Search, copy selected rows, zoom the results.
File Shelf: Esc	Close the shelf.
Snap Zones: click a zone, Esc or right-click	Snap the active window / dismiss.
Chat Channel: Enter	Send.
Help window: Ctrl + F, Esc	Search help / clear the search or close.
Panel Click Bindings: click a gesture box, then click it again	Record a new gesture; Esc cancels.
Keybind Editor: + Add Binding	Give a FloDee action your own keyboard or mouse trigger.

The panel mouse gestures above are the defaults. Change any of them in Settings › Inputs › Panel Click Bindings...: click a gesture box, then click it again with the mouse button and modifier keys you want.