

Dragon Assistant works with Windows 8! Here are some of the details.

1. Dragon Assistant understands commands for special Windows 8 features like “show desktop,” “show start menu,” and “show charms.”
2. Dragon Assistant will appear in a tile on the Windows 8 start screen and will open on the Desktop. Once Dragon Assistant is open, some Dragon Assistant components like a display of Facebook activity or notifications of new email will be presented in the current Windows mode but other components like the Dragon Assistant Settings Panel or login windows for your social media like Facebook or Twitter will be presented on the Desktop.
3. When opening an application, Dragon Assistant will activate the native environment for that application. For instance, Dragon Assistant will open the Windows 8 News application in full-screen mode. On the other hand, Dragon Assistant will open Notepad on the Desktop.
4. When Dragon Assistant needs to open a web browser, it will always open your default browser. When Internet Explorer is your default browser, Dragon will open the Desktop version when in Desktop mode and the full-screen Internet Explorer app when not on the Desktop.
5. When running a search on the Bing search engine, Dragon Assistant will launch the full-screen Bing Windows 8 if it is installed. (The Bing Search App is installed by default on Windows 8.)
6. You can use Dragon Assistant to make calls with Skype for Windows Desktop but not with Skype for Windows 8. Also, it works with Windows Media Player on the Desktop but not with the Windows 8 Music app. And Dragon Assistant can share websites, but only when they are open in a Desktop browser.
7. In some cases, Dragon Assistant will switch to the Desktop mode when interacting with a Desktop application (Skype, Outlook) but for the media players (Windows Media Player, iTunes), the behavior is a little different: Dragon Assistant it will remain in the current mode when playing audio files but for video files, Dragon Assistant will switch to the Desktop when it opens the media player.