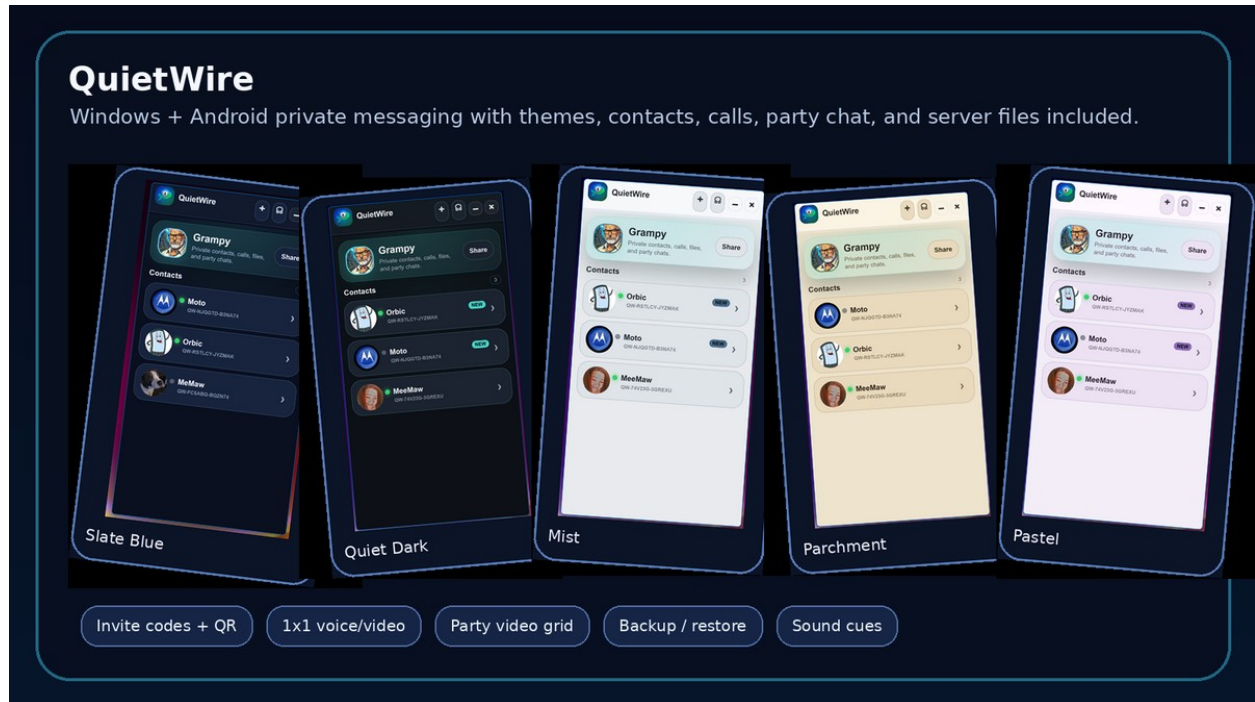


QuietWire Windows Client User Guide

Private messaging, contacts, QR invites, themes, calls, party chat, backup, and restore



1. First launch and server setup

QuietWire needs a QuietWire server address before it can exchange messages and call offers. Use the server address supplied with your complete Windows HTTP server setup or Apache/PHP public_html server setup.

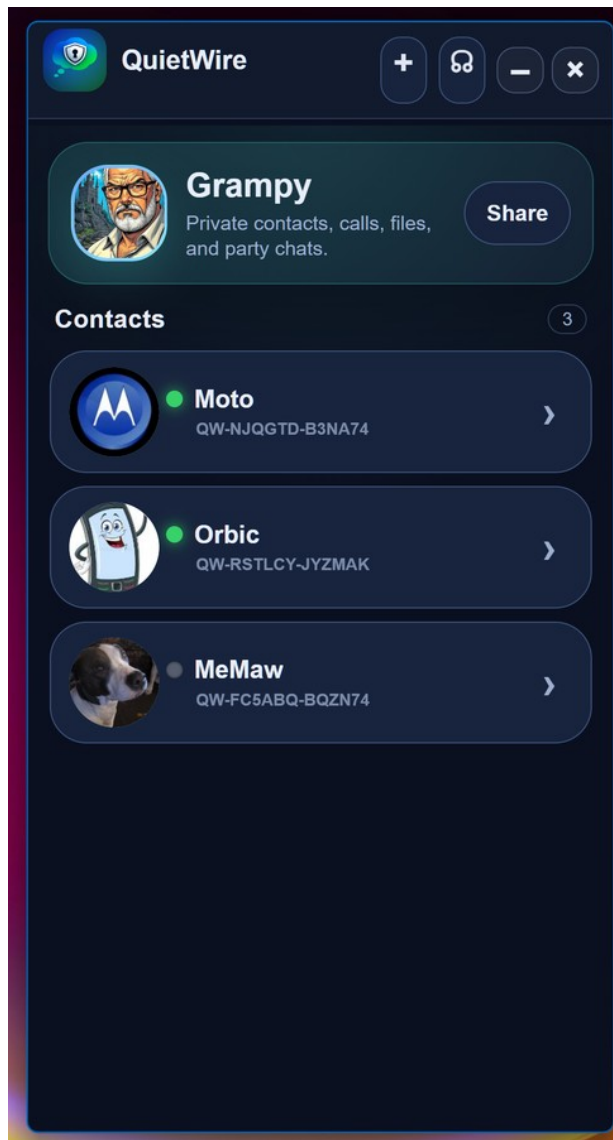
The Windows server option is a complete easy-to-setup Windows HTTP server package, not just a loose folder of server files. The Apache/PHP option is included for public_html hosting, domains, and subdomains.

1. Open QuietWire from the desktop/start menu.
2. Open Profile / Settings.
3. Open Settings / Server / Windows Options.
4. Enter the QuietWire server URL exactly as supplied by your server setup.
5. Save the setting, then restart QuietWire if requested.

2. Where to find your Profile and Settings

Your Profile area is the main control center for identity, avatar, contact sharing, themes, server settings, backup, restore, sounds, and Windows options.

- From the main contact list, open the Profile / Settings area.
- Use Share Username / QR / Add Code for contact information.
- Use Settings / Server / Windows Options for server URL, sounds, and app behavior.
- Use Backup Profile / Settings / Messages and Restore Backup for local data recovery.



Windows contact/profile area

3. Sharing contact information

QuietWire contacts are added by private invite/add codes, not by public search. Share your code only with people you want to connect with.

6. Open Profile / Settings.
7. Choose Share Username / QR / Add Code.
8. Copy your add code, show the QR code, or send the invite text to the other user.
9. The other user opens their Add Contact / QR area and scans or enters the code.
10. After the contact is accepted, the person appears in the contact list.

QR codes should contain the raw invite/add code only. They should not include a username prefix such as Name|invite-code. If someone sends a pasted value with a name prefix, use only the invite code portion.

4. Adding a contact by QR or code

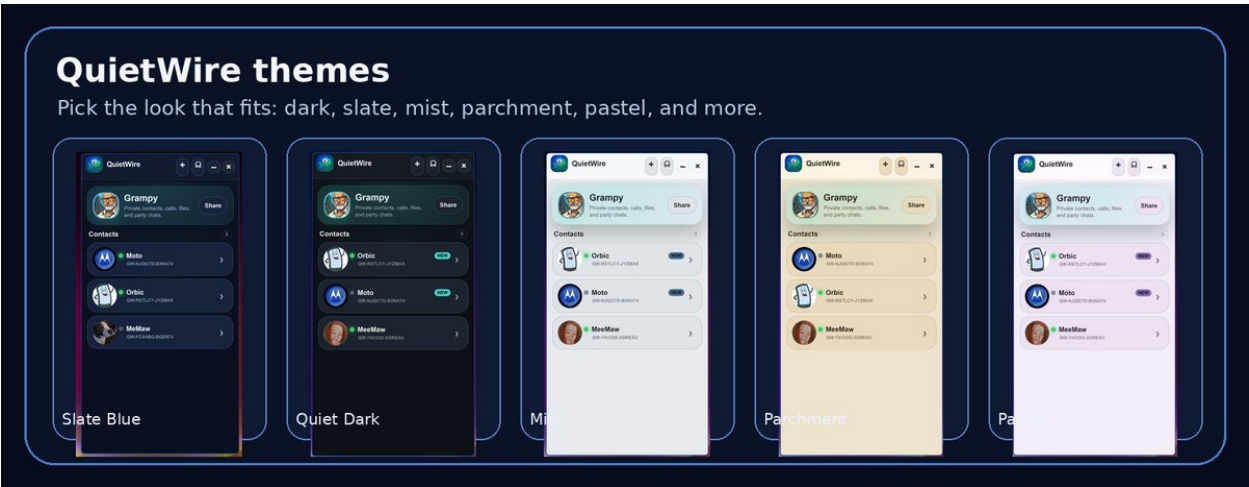
Area	What to do
QR scan	Open the Add Contact / QR area and scan the other user's QR code.

Manual code	Paste or type the add code into the add-code field.
Invite text	If the invite was sent through another app, copy the code portion and add it inside QuietWire.
Accepted contact	Once added, the person appears as a private contact for messages and calls.

5. Themes and appearance

QuietWire includes multiple visual themes. Themes change the client look without changing contacts or messages.

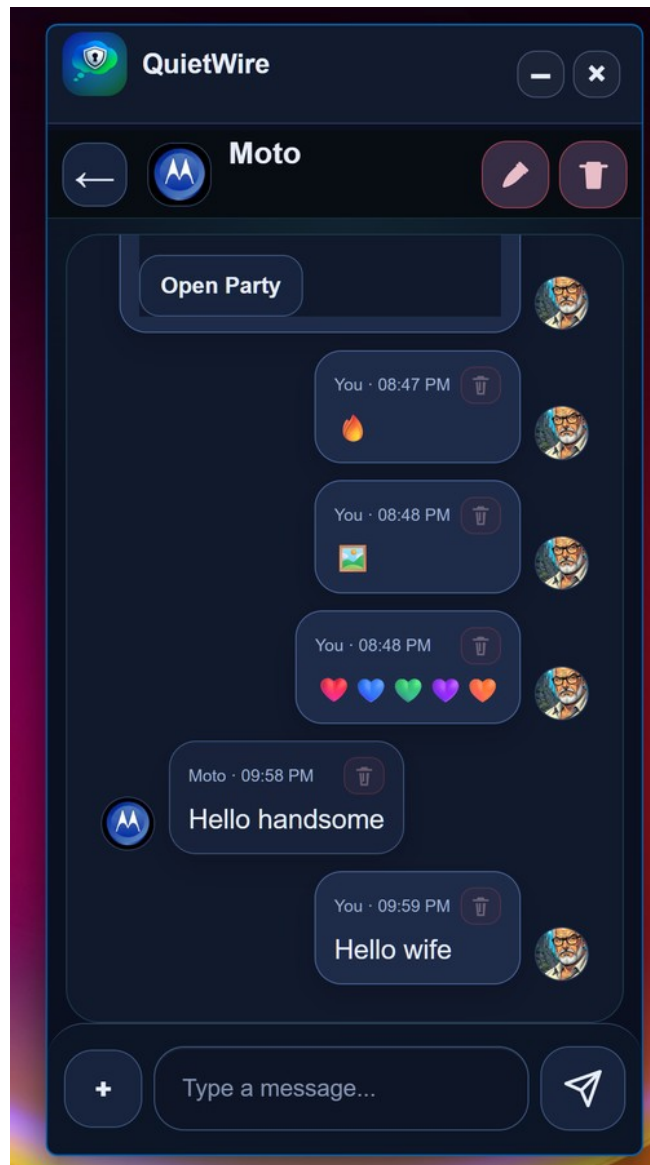
- 11. Open Profile / Settings.
- 12. Find the Theme selector.
- 13. Choose Slate Blue, Quiet Dark, Mist, Parchment, Pastel, or another included option.
- 14. Return to the contact list or chat to see the selected theme applied.



Theme examples

6. Messages, emoji, images, and files

- Select a contact from the contact list to open the conversation.
- Type a message and press Send.
- Use the emoji button or your keyboard emoji input for emoji.
- Use the image/file buttons to send attachments.
- Received media appears inside the conversation where supported.



Windows conversation view

7. 1x1 voice and video calls

- Open a contact and press the call/video control.
- Incoming calls display an in-app Answer / Decline panel.
- QuietWire uses distinct sounds for incoming text, incoming calls, outgoing calls, joins, and call endings.
- If you leave the chat during an active call, use the call pill to return or hang up.
- Tap/click the video area for fullscreen; tap/click again to return.

8. Party chats and party video grid

Party chat lets multiple approved contacts communicate in one shared room. Party video uses equal tiles so participants do not fight over one video slot.

- Create or open a party chat.
- Add approved contacts to the party.
- Start the party voice/video call.
- Participants accept the party call from their client.

- Each visible participant gets a tile in the party video grid.

9. Backup and restore

Backup is important because QuietWire identity and contacts are local device data. Keep backups somewhere safe.

Area	What to do
Backup includes	Identity, contacts, messages, server URL, avatar, theme, sounds, and local settings.
Export Backup	Open Profile / Settings, then Backup Profile / Settings / Messages.
Restore Backup	Open Profile / Settings, choose Restore Backup, confirm, and select the backup file.
Warning	Restoring replaces the current local identity, contacts, messages, settings, avatar, and theme on that device.

10. Troubleshooting quick checks

- No contacts or messages: confirm the server URL is correct and saved.
- QR does not add contact: confirm the QR contains only the raw invite/add code.
- No incoming call prompt: restart both clients and confirm both are on the same server.
- Sounds are missing: open Settings and verify Notification Sounds are enabled and volume is not zero.
- After restore: restart QuietWire if contacts or server settings do not immediately refresh.