


# Working with Spring Roo Console

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IntelliJ IDEA provides a dedicated tool window for working with [Spring Roo](#) console.

When typing commands in the Roo console, you can use [code completion](#) and [quick documentation lookup](#) (Ctrl+Q or Alt+Button2 Click). Any changes made to the source code via the console are shown in the [editor](#). The history of your interactions with the console is stored in the `log.roo` file located in the root directory of your project.

## Accessing the Spring Roo console

1. Choose **Tools |  Run Spring Roo Console**. If it's the first time you are accessing the Spring Roo console in IntelliJ IDEA, the **Roo Tool Configuration** dialog opens.
2. If you haven't downloaded and installed Spring Roo yet, you can use the **Roo download page** link provided in the **Roo Tool Configuration** dialog. This is the link to the page from which you can download the software.

Download and install Roo. For system requirements and installation instructions, refer to [Spring Roo documentation](#).

3. In the **Roo home** field, specify the path to the Spring Roo installation directory. Type the path in the field, or click  (Shift+Enter) and select the installation folder in the [dialog that opens](#).

As a result, the Spring Roo console opens in the [Roo Console tool window](#).

## See Also

Reference:

- [Roo Console Tool Window](#)

External Links:

- [New in IntelliJ IDEA 10.5: Spring Roo console](#)

Web Resources:

- [Developer Community](#)