

Dendroid (malware)

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Dendroid is [malware](#) that affects mobile devices that run Android.^[1]

It was first discovered in early 2014 by Symantec and appeared in the underground for sale for \$300.^[2] Certain features were noted as being used in Dendroid, such as the ability to hide from emulators at the time.^[3] When first discovered in 2014 it was one of the most sophisticated Android [remote administration tools](#) known at that time.^[4] It was one of the first [Trojan applications](#) to get past Google's Bouncer and caused researchers to warn about it being easier to create Android malware due to it.^[5] It also seems to have followed in the footsteps of [Zeus](#) and SpyEye by having simple-to-use command and control panels.^[6] The code appeared to be leaked somewhere around 2014.^[7] It was noted that an [apk binder](#) was included in the leak, which provided a simple way to bind Dendroid to legitimate applications.

It is capable of:

- Deleting call logs
- Opening web pages
- Dialing any number
- Recording calls
- SMS intercepting
- Uploading images and video
- Opening an application
- Performing [denial-of-service attacks](#)
- Changing the command and control server^[8]
- [Botnet](#)
- [Brain Test](#)
- [Mirai](#)
- [Shedun](#)
- [Zombie \(computer science\)](#)

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