

**NAME**

chroot – run command or interactive shell with special root directory

**SYNOPSIS**

**chroot** [*OPTION*] *NEWROOT* [*COMMAND* [*ARG*]...]  
**chroot** *OPTION*

**DESCRIPTION**

Run *COMMAND* with root directory set to *NEWROOT*.

**--groups=*G\_LIST***  
specify supplementary groups as *g1,g2,...,gN*

**--userspec=*USER:GROUP***  
specify user and group (ID or name) to use

**--skip-chdir**  
do not change working directory to '/'

**--help** display this help and exit

**--version**  
output version information and exit

If no command is given, run `"$SHELL" -i` (default: `/bin/sh -i`).

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**REPORTING BUGS**

GNU coreutils online help: <<https://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/>>

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**SEE ALSO**

[chroot\(2\)](#)

Full documentation at: <<https://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/chroot>>  
or available locally via: `info '(coreutils) chroot invocation'`