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## Backup Installed Software List on Ubuntu

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### Preparation

For debian-based system: Install “debfooster” and run it. After answering a lot of questions about your packages you will have a system without unnecessary packages and a short list of only the packages that you have actively chosen to install. (Tip by Motin)

Another way to clean the system is:

```
$ apt-get autoremove
```

### To Backup

```
$ dpkg --get-selections
```

### To Restore

Importing the List:

```
$ dpkg --set-selections < /backup/installed-software.log
```

Install the imported list:

```
$ dselect
```

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