

## What Make Ixquick Special

### Ixquick is the world's most powerful metasearch engine.

Ixquick search results are now [more comprehensive](#) and [more accurate](#) than ever before. Ixquick's unique capabilities include a [Universal Power Search](#), a [Global Search](#) and [Power Refinement](#). Find phone numbers and addresses worldwide with Ixquick's [International Phone Directory](#), and comparison shop globally with Ixquick's [Lowest Price](#) search

### More comprehensive

Ixquick is a metasearch engine: when you search Ixquick, you are searching many popular search engines at the same time. Combined, these engines cover more of the Internet than any one search engine covers.

### More accurate results

An Ixquick result is awarded one star for every search engine that chooses it as one of the 10 best results for your search. So a five star result means that five search engines agreed on the result. This is significant because search engines choose results in different ways, and each approach works well in some cases and poorly in others. A result with many stars was chosen for many different reasons, and is a consensus choice of many search engines.

Also, while irrelevant Web pages can be "optimized" to fool a single search engine's algorithm, it is much harder for a page to fool all the search engines.

### Universal power search

Professional researchers rely on power search methods such as Boolean logic, phrases, wildcards, and field searches. But different search engines support different power search methods, and require the user to access them in different ways. Keeping track of these differences can be time-consuming and burdensome. Ixquick solves this problem by understanding which power search methods each search engine supports, and how to access them.

At Ixquick, you can enter virtually any power search, using one simple syntax. Ixquick supports a wider range of power search methods than any one search engine has. Ixquick then sends your query to only the search engines that can handle that specific search, translating it into the syntax that each search engine needs.

### Global Search

Ixquick searches the world:

- Search in any of 17 languages - even Chinese, Japanese and Korean. In each language, Ixquick metasearches local and international search engines so you'll find exactly what you're searching for;
- Find people and businesses worldwide with Ixquick's International Phone Directory. Want to know who's calling? With just the phone number, Ixquick's Reverse Directory search can tell you;
- Comparison shop over 5000 merchants with Ixquick's Lowest Price search, an unbiased tool for finding the lowest prices worldwide.

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### Power Refinement

With Ixquick's Remove Repetitive Results feature, follow-up searches only show new results: Ixquick doesn't waste your time with results you've seen and rejected before. To see this in action, edit your search on the bottom of a results page and press Search.

Use Ixquick's Result Honing to pinpoint the results that you want: Notice the check mark (✓) and X mark (✗) that appear near some results. If a result is especially good, click on ✓ to find results that are similar, and if a result is not what you are looking for, click the ✗ to remove results that are like it.

### About Ixquick

Ixquick ([www.ixquick.com](http://www.ixquick.com)) is a powerful metasearch engine, which unlike single search engines, such as Google and Ask Jeeves, among others, simultaneously searches multiple Internet databases, gathering and displaying comprehensive and accurate Web results to Internet users. Founded in New York and launched on the Web in 1998, Ixquick is owned by Surfboard Holding BV, a Dutch company.