Windows tip of the week

Add a second clock to the taskbar

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Quick: What time is it in Dublin right now? How about Sydney? Mumbai? Cape Town?

Sometimes, that question is just a curiosity. But if you or any of your regular contacts are traveling, it's good to be able to look up a foreign time zone at a glance.

All modern versions of Windows allow you to add up to two extra clocks to the taskbar. The time you see on the taskbar is the local time zone. But hover the mouse pointer over that time and you'll see the extra clocks you defined. Click the time to see analog (Windows 7) or digital (Windows 10) clocks for all time zones.

To add an extra clock, right-click the taskbar clock and then click Adjust Date/Time. In Windows 7, click the Additional Clocks tab. In Windows 10, click Add Clocks For Different Time Zones. Select Show This Clock, pick a time zone, and add a descriptive label for each custom clock.