

Mac Tips

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- The antispam filter in Mail is not active by default. Enable it under Preferences
- To add colors to vim editor: create a configuration file, open the terminal and enter: `vim ~/.vimrc`, then add the line syntax on
- To rename a pages document: open finder, select Documents from the sidebar, highlight that document, and press Enter
- To copy and past string format in Notes: select text, Format->Font->Copy Style, move cursor to., Format->Font->Paste Style
- To open Spotlight: click Command+Spacebar
- From Spotlight we can do calculations, and drag expression into Note. Ex: $\tan(\pi/4) = 1$
- From Spotlight we can search for a <item> and <type> of document with <item>:<type>. We can also use boolean operators AND,OR, ..
- To add an item (app/file/folder) in the Finder's Sidebar: hold down the Command key, then drag the item to the Favorites section.
- To remove the item from the Finder's Sidebar: drag the item icon out of the sidebar until you see a gray remove sign (x)
- To retrieve a file from Time Machine backup: enter Time Machine, select the desired file in the right backup, press Restore button
- To see system events and log messages run Console.app
- Go through Finder to a very long path string
 1. Copy the path
 2. Open Finder
 3. Press Cmd+Shift+G, then paste the path
- Get through Finder the path string of a file
 1. right click on the filename in the bottom bar
 2. copy as Pathname
- Launch a Terminal session from Finder
 1. Select the directory
 2. Finder > Services > New Terminal at Folder
- To import a .MOV video in iMovie, first convert the video in MP4 (for example you can use free converter HandBrake)
- To check active processes run Activity Monitor native app, or from Terminal
 - `$ launchctl list`
 - To stop a process in the current session
 - `$ sudo launchctl remove <process>`
- To disable a program
 - `$ sudo launchctl disable system/com.teamviewer.service`
 - To re-enable
 - `$ sudo launchctl enable system/com.teamviewer.service`
- Path of the KINGSTON USB Drive: /Volumes/KINGSTON
- To activate disk encryption with FileVault: from System Preferences->Security&Privacy->FileVault (this will slow down a litle the mac)
- To encrypt a folder
 1. Run Disk Utilities from Spotlight
 2. File > New Image > Image From Folder
 3. Select the folder
 4. Select the Encryption algorithm and the Image Format (read-write)
 5. Insert password (do not use keychain to store it)
 6. Now you have the .dmg archive. Access it as a disk (double click to mount, eject to unmount)

Keyboard shortcuts in macOS

- The Apple "Command" key (⌘, or Cmd) corresponds to the "Windows" key on a standard keyboard
- The Apple "Option" key (⌥, or Opt) corresponds to Alt key on standard keyboard
- Take a screenshot of your whole screen
 1. Press Cmd+Shift+3
 2. Find the screenshot as a .png file on your desktop (unless redirected elsewhere)
- Take a screenshot of a area
 1. Press Cmd+Shift+4 (or 5), then drag the area
 2. Find the screenshot as a .png file on your desktop
- Go through Finder to a very long filesystem path
 1. Copy the path
 2. Press Cmd+Shift+G, then paste the path
- Refresh Finder window
 1. Press Cmd+Up
 2. Press Cmd+Down
- Show/Hide hidden files in Finder: Cmd + Shift + .
- Open Finder Preferences: Cmd+,
- Switch to/from desktop with open apps reduced in size: Fn + F3
- Switch to/from desktop free of any app: F11
- To forward delete a character type Fn + backspace
- To Cut and Paste a file in Finder:
 1. use Cmd+C to copy
 2. use Cmd+Opt+V to move the item to the new destination
- Full screen and back: Cmd + Ctrl + F
- During some background operation (like dd copying) to get statistical information: Ctrl + T
- Switch boot source: hold down Opt while turning ON
- Recovery mode: hold down Cmd+R while turning ON

Keyboard shortcuts in Terminal

- Clear the screen: Cmd+L
- Move the cursor at start/end of line: Fn+Shift+Left/Right

Keyboard shortcuts in Safari

- Switch from tab to tab: Ctrl+Tab

Terminal shell commands

- To open a file from Terminal with a specific app:
`$ open <filename> -a <appname>`
- To clone and run a project from a remote repo:
`$ git clone https://github.com/bignerdranch/blog-ios-xcui-todo.git`
`$ cd xcui-todo`
`$ git checkout ui-tests-coming-soon`
`$ open <prjname>.xcodeproj`
- To see the list of all installed packages
`$ pkgutil --pkgs`
- To know the version of a specific packages, e.g. of Command Line Tools
`$ pkgutil --pkg-info com.apple.pkg.CLTools_Executables`
- To create a UUID (e.g. 6D57FA74-00E3-4BCF-8AEE-F578E5E19D1A)
`$ uuidgen`
- Launch a Terminal session inside another directory of given <dirpath>
`$ open -a Terminal <dirpath>`
- Open a ssh session from gfmacmini to gfmacbook (username is gabrielefilosofi)
`$ ssh gabrielefilosofi@<gfmacbook_ip>`
- Open a ssh session from gfmacbook to gfmacmini (username is gabrielef)
`$ ssh gabrielef@<gfmacmini_ip>`

- Copy a file from gfmacbook to gfmacmini (username is gabrielef)
\$ `scp <filename> gabrielef@<gfmacmini_ip>:~/Users/gabrielefilosofi/ 1/`
- Run the Dunnet textual adventure by Ron Schnell (1982). *ronnie@driver-aces.com*
\$ `emacs -batch -l dunnet`
- To generate all strings of length <min> to <max> and save them in <filename>
\$ `crunch 4 4 -o <filename>`
- To generate all strings of length 8 beginning with bck_ followed by 4 numbers
\$ `crunch 8 8 -t bck_%%%% -o <filename>`
- To download, install and open an app from a web site. Consider this example
\$ `cd ~/Download`
\$ `curl -O https://iterm2.com/downloads/stable/iTerm2-3_2_9.zip`
\$ `shasum -a 256 iTerm2-3_2_9.zip` (*<- ensure it gives the same hash provided on website*)
\$ `unzip iTerm2-3_2_9.zip`
\$ `mv iTerm.app/ /Applications/`
\$ `spctl --add /applications/iTerm.app/` (*<- authorize Gatekeeper control. Requires password*)
\$ `nohup open /Applications/iTerm.app/ &>/dev/null &`