# Expanding the disk of your Proxmox macOS VM

Have you run out of room on your macOS VM's disk? Here's how you can expand it.

In the Hardware tab for your VM, select your disk and click the "resize disk" button at the top of the page. Enter the size increment in gigabytes (note, this is not the final size you want to achieve, it is the amount the disk will **grow by**).



macOS won't take advantage of this new space yet, we'll need to expand the APFS volume to fill the disk. Boot up macOS, open up Terminal, and run "diskutil list" to check what the disk is called:

```
nick@Nicholass-iPro ~ % diskutil list
/dev/disk0 (internal):
                            TYPE NAME
                                                         SIZE
                                                                     IDENTIFIER
  #:
   0:
           GUID_partition_scheme
                                                         103.1 GB
                                                                    disk0
                                                         209.7 MB
                            EFI EFI
                                                                    disk0s1
  1:
   2:
                      Apple_APFS Container disk1
                                                         68.5 GB
                                                                     disk0s2
/dev/disk1 (synthesized):
                            TYPE NAME
                                                                     IDENTIFIER
                                                         SIZE
                                                        +68.5 GB
          APFS Container Scheme -
  0:
                                                                    disk1
                                 Physical Store disk0s2
                     APFS Volume Main - Data
                                                         1.9 GB
                                                                     disk1s1
                    APFS Volume Preboot
                                                         269.7 MB
                                                                    disk1s2
                    APFS Volume Recovery
                                                         1.1 GB
                                                                     disk1s3
                   APFS Volume VM
                                                         1.1 MB
                                                                    disk1s4
   4:
                  APFS Volume Main 15.7 GB
APFS Snapshot com.apple.os.update-... 15.7 GB
   5:
                                                                    disk1s5
   6:
                                                                    disk1s5s1
nick@Nicholass-iPro ~ %
```

Here you can see that despite disk0 being 103.1GB big, the disk1 APFS container that is hosted on it is only 68.5GB.

First run "diskutil repairDisk disk0" to grow the partition table to fill the entire disk:

```
[nick@Nicholass-iPro ~ % diskutil repairDisk disk0
Repairing the partition map might erase disk0s1, proceed? (y/N) y
Started partition map repair on disk0
Checking prerequisites
Checking the partition list
Adjusting partition map to fit whole disk as required
Did grow entire partition map
Checking for an EFI system partition
Checking the EFI system partition's size
Checking the EFI system partition's file system
Checking the EFI system partition's folder content
Checking all HFS data partition loader spaces
Checking booter partitions
Reviewing boot support loaders
Checking Core Storage Physical Volume partitions
The partition map appears to be OK
Finished partition map repair on disk0
nick@Nicholass-iPro ~ %
```

Now we can resize the APFS container, run "diskutil apfs resizeContainer disk1 0" to grow it to fill the entire disk:

```
Inick@Nicholass-iPro ~ % diskutil apfs resizeContainer disk1 0

Started APFS operation
Aligning grow delta to 34,359,738,368 bytes and targeting a new physical store size of 102,869,458,944 bytes
Determined the maximum size for the targeted physical store of this APFS Container to be 102,868,430,848 bytes
Resizing APFS Container designated by APFS Container Reference disk1
The specific APFS Physical Store being resized is disk0s2
Verifying storage system
Using live mode
Performing fsck_apfs -n -x -1 /dev/disk0s2
Checking the container superblock
Checking the container superblock
Checking the space manager
Checking the space manager free queue trees
Checking the space manager free queue trees
Checking the object map
Checking the object map
Checking to APFS volume superblock
Checking to APFS volume superblock
Checking the space manager
Checking the space manager
Checking the snapshot metadata tree
Checking the snapshot metadata
Checking the snapshot metadata
Checking the stent ref tree
Checking the fsroot tree
Verifying volume object map space
The volume /dev/rdisk1s1 appears to be OK
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hecking the object map
hecking volume /dev/rdisk1s5
hecking the APFS volume superblock
      Checking the APFS volume superblock
Checking the object map
Checking the snapshot metadata tree
Checking the snapshot metadata
Checking the snapshot metadata
Checking snapshot 1 of 1 (com.apple.os.update-731FFAAF9830B1760968C2024FB0914C3A062192BFA55CF51D7E07C223858619)
Checking the extent ref tree
Checking the fsroot tree
Checking the file extent tree
Verifying volume object map space
The volume /dev/rdisk1s5 appears to be OK
Checking volume /dev/rdisk1s6
Verifying volume Object map Space
The volume /dev/rdisk1s5 appears to be OK
Checking volume /dev/rdisk1s6
Checking the APFS volume superblock
Checking the object map
Checking the snapshot metadata tree
Checking the snapshot metadata
Checking the extent ref tree
Checking the fsroot tree
Verifying volume object map space
The volume /dev/rdisk1s6 appears to be OK
Verifying allocated space
The container /dev/disk8s2 appears to be OK
Storage system check exit code is 0
Growing APFS Physical Store disk8s2 from 68,509,720,576 to 102,869,458,944 bytes
Modifying partition map
Growing APFS data structures
Finished APFS operation
nick@Nicholass-iPro ~ %
```

Now that new space should be available to your macOS VM!

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### 4 thoughts on "Expanding the disk of your Proxmox macOS VM"



jamie

December 22, 2021 at 1:40 pm

THANK YOU SO MUCH!

**REPLY** 



Michael Lorenz

March 22, 2022 at 1:28 pm

Thank you so very much!

I searched the net and didn't find a good answer\* to this – and here it

\*Answers found in proxmox forum(btw even by proxmox staff) – where'd helpful or just plainly wrong! Like use the GUI...which of course didn't work.

**REPLY** 



#### everwisher

June 10, 2022 at 2:29 pm

The real problem is the disk seems to continue growing as if the TRIM feature is not working

**REPLY** 



#### **Jaminmc**

June 12, 2022 at 5:50 pm

You need to have the discard checked, then emulate ssd.

In macOS you may need to run 'sudo trimforce enable' to enable trim. Check under system info that macOS has trim enabled.

**REPLY** 

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