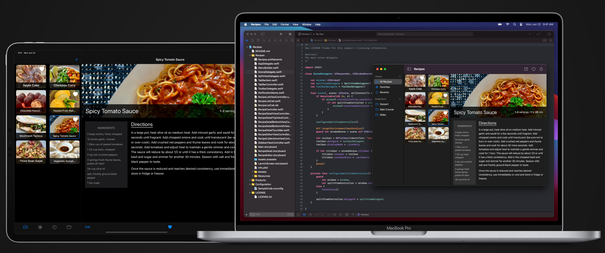
Mac Catalyst Tutorials

Bring an iPad App to the Mac with Mac Catalyst

Build a native Mac app from the same codebase as your iPad app.

3hr 25min Estimated Time

Get started



Mac Catalyst Essentials

Sidebar Navigation

Toolbar Actions

Interface Refinements

Resources

Chapter 1

Mac Catalyst Essentials

Create a native Mac app from the source code of an iPad app.

- Turning on Mac Catalyst — 10min

Chapter 2

Sidebar Navigation

Implement a sidebar in a three-column split view to replace the Recipes app's tab bar.

- Creating a Sidebar — 35min
- Adding Items to the Sidebar — 25min
- Displaying the Sidebar — 15min

Chapter 3

Toolbar Actions

Add a Mac-style toolbar to replace actions in the Recipes app's navigation bar.

- Adding a Toolbar — 40min
- Sharing a Recipe from the Toolbar — 30min

Chapter 4

Interface Refinements

Refine the interface to enhance the user experience of the Recipes app.

- Accessing Actions Using Menu Elements — 35min
- Supporting the Touch Bar — 10min
- Updating the App Icon — 5min

Resources

Find tools and resources for creating Mac apps using Mac Catalyst.

Documentation

Browse and search detailed API documentation.

Creating a Mac version of your iPad app

Removing the title bar in your Mac app built with Mac Catalyst

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Sample Code

Use ready-made code samples to build and learn quickly.

Adding Menus and Shortcuts to the Menu Bar and User Interface

Detecting changes in the preferences window

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