for these network connections is pretty much automatic, so all you have to do is plug your Mac into a network or connect to a wireless network, and you're ready to go.

Most network settings on macOS are automatic. If you want, you can look at and change the default network settings by following these steps:

## 1. Choose **¢** ⇒ System Preferences and then click Network.

The Network preferences page appears, as shown in Figure 2-11.



FIGURE 2-11: Network preferences.

## 2. Click Advanced.

The advanced network settings are displayed, as shown in Figure 2-12.

## 3. Click the TCP/IP tab.

This brings up the TCP/IP settings, as shown in Figure 2-13. From this page, you can view the currently assigned IP address for the computer. And, if you want, you can assign a static IP address by changing the Configure IPv4 drop-down from Using DHCP to Manually. Then, you can enter your own IP address, subnet mask, and router address. (For more information about IP addresses, refer to Chapter 6.)