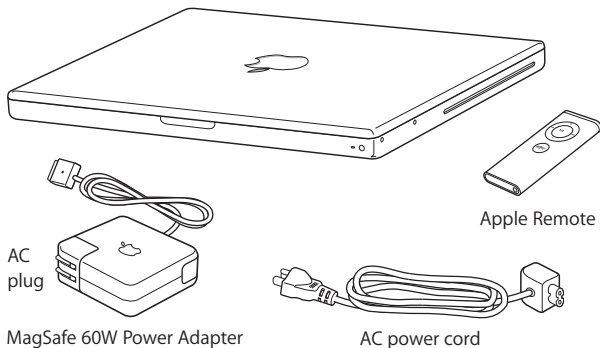


Getting Started

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Your MacBook includes the following components:



Important: Read all the installation instructions (and the safety information in Appendix B, “Safety, Use, and Care Information,” on page 103) carefully before you plug your computer into a wall socket.

Setting Up Your MacBook

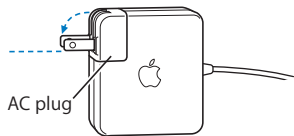
Your MacBook is designed so that you can set it up quickly and start using it right away. The following pages take you through the setup process, including these tasks:

- Plugging in the Apple MagSafe 60W Power Adapter
- Connecting cables
- Turning on your MacBook
- Configuring a user account and other settings using Setup Assistant

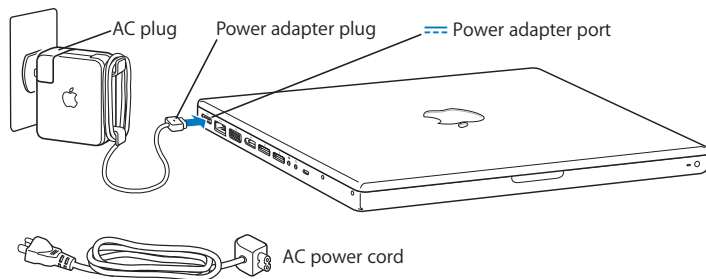
Step 1: Plug In the Apple MagSafe 60W Power Adapter

If there is protective film around the power adapter, remove it before setting up your MacBook.

- Insert the AC plug of your power adapter into a power outlet and the power adapter plug into the MacBook power adapter port. As you get close to the port, you'll feel a magnetic pull drawing the power adapter plug in.



Warning: Make sure the AC plug is fully inserted into the power adapter and the electrical prongs on your AC plug are in their completely extended position before you plug the adapter into the power outlet.



To extend the reach of your power adapter, you can attach the AC power cord. First pull up on the AC plug to remove it from the adapter, and then attach the included AC power cord to the adapter. Plug the other end into a power outlet. For an illustration, see page 31.

Step 2: Connect Your Cables

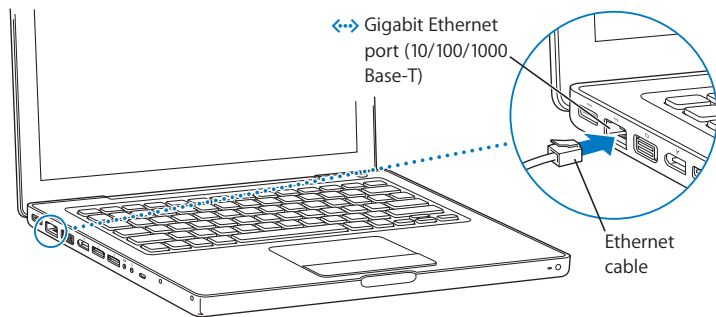
For an Internet connection, connect your MacBook to a DSL modem, cable modem, external modem, or Ethernet network. If you're connecting to a wireless network such as AirPort Extreme, you don't need cables.

For information about types of connections, see Appendix C, "Connecting to the Internet," on page 113.

Note: To use a dial-up connection, you need the external Apple USB Modem, available for purchase from the online Apple Store at www.apple.com/store or from an Apple Authorized Reseller. Plug the Apple USB Modem into a USB port on the MacBook, and then connect a phone cord (not included) from the modem into a phone wall jack.

To connect to a DSL or cable modem or an Ethernet network:

- Connect the cable to your DSL or cable modem as shown in the modem instructions, or connect the Ethernet cord to the Ethernet hub or outlet. Then connect the other end of the cord to the computer's Ethernet port.



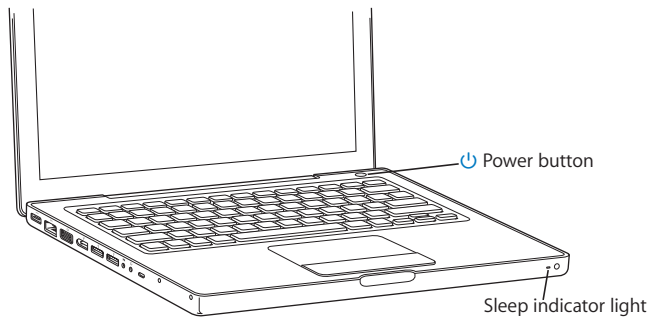
Note: If you want to use AirPort to connect wirelessly, AirPort detects available wireless networks after you turn on your computer. If necessary, choose “Turn AirPort on” from the AirPort (📶) status menu in the menu bar, and then choose your network from the AirPort status menu.

Step 3: Turn On Your MacBook

- 1 To turn on your MacBook, press the power (⏻) button briefly (up to 1 second).

You hear a tone when you turn on the computer. Don't press the power button after the startup tone or you might cause the computer to shut down again.

It takes the computer a few moments to start up. After it starts up, Setup Assistant opens automatically.

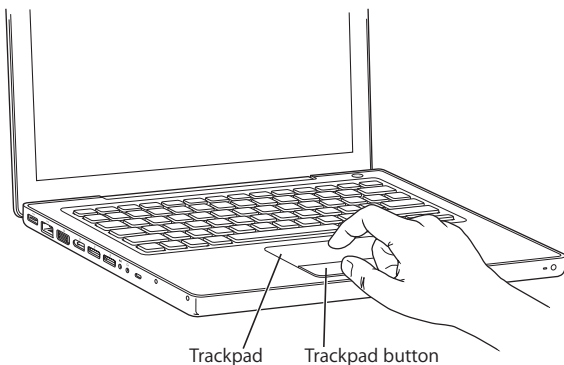


2 Use your MacBook trackpad to select and move items on the screen, just as you use a mouse with a desktop computer.

- To move the arrow pointer on the screen, slide your finger across the trackpad.

Important: Use one finger on the trackpad to move the pointer. The trackpad lets you scroll by dragging two fingers, and the scrolling feature is turned on by default. See “Using the Trackpad” on page 32 for more information.

- Use the trackpad button to select, click, or double-click items on the screen.



Problems Turning On the Computer?

Nothing happens when you press the power (⏻) button.

- The battery might be drained. Make sure that you plugged the power adapter into both the computer and a power source. The power adapter plug should light when you plug it into the computer.
- If the computer still doesn't start up, see "Problems That Prevent You from Using Your Computer" on page 90.

You see a picture of a disk or a folder with a blinking question mark.

This icon usually means that the computer can't find the system software on the hard disk or any disks attached to the computer. Disconnect all external peripherals and try restarting. Hold down the power (⏻) button for 8 to 10 seconds until the computer turns off. Then press the power button again. If the problem persists, you might need to reinstall the system software. See "Reinstalling the Software That Came with Your Computer" on page 96.

Step 4: Configure Your MacBook with Setup Assistant

The first time you turn on your computer, Setup Assistant starts. Setup Assistant helps you enter your Internet and email information and set up a user account on your computer.

If you already have a Mac, Setup Assistant can help you automatically transfer files, applications, and other information from your other Mac to your new MacBook.

To transfer information, make sure:

- Your other Mac has built-in FireWire and supports FireWire Target Disk Mode
- Your other Mac has Mac OS X v10.1 or later installed
- You have a standard 6-pin to 6-pin FireWire cable

Setup Assistant takes you through the process of transferring your information—just follow the onscreen instructions. Transferring information to your MacBook doesn't affect the information on your other Mac. (If you set up partitions on the new MacBook, all information from the other Mac will be transferred to one partition.)

Using Setup Assistant, you can transfer:

- User accounts, including preferences and email.
- Network settings, so your new MacBook is automatically set up to work with the same network settings as your other Mac.
- Files and folders on the hard disk and partitions. This gives you easy access to the files and folders you used on your other Mac.
- The Applications folder, so that most of the applications you used on your other Mac are now on your new MacBook. (You might need to reinstall some of the applications you transfer.)

Important: Use caution when you transfer applications so that you don't overwrite later versions of the applications already installed on your MacBook.

If you don't intend to keep or use your other Mac, it's best to deauthorize it from playing music, videos, or audiobooks that you've purchased from the iTunes Music Store. Deauthorizing a computer prevents any songs, videos, or audiobooks you've purchased from being played by someone else and frees up another authorization for use (you can use only five authorized computers at a time with an iTunes account). For information on deauthorizing, in iTunes open Help > iTunes and Music Store Help.

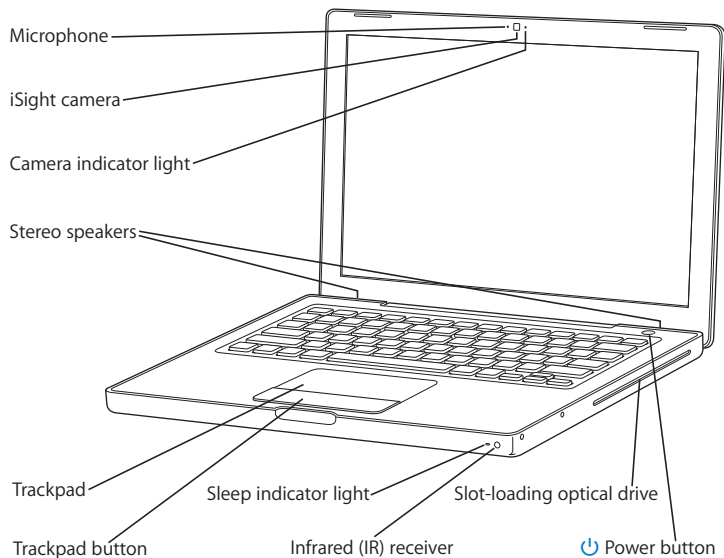
If you don't use Setup Assistant to transfer information when you first start up your MacBook, you can do it later using Migration Assistant. Go to the Applications folder, open Utilities, and double-click Migration Assistant.

Note: If you used Setup Assistant to transfer information from your other Macintosh and you want to use Migration Assistant to transfer information from it again, make sure FileVault is turned off on the other Macintosh. To turn off FileVault, open the Security pane of System Preferences and click Turn Off FileVault. Follow the onscreen instructions.

Setup Assistant can also take you through the process of setting up your computer to connect to the Internet. For home users, Internet access requires an account with an Internet service provider (ISP). Fees may apply. If you already have an Internet account, see Appendix C, "Connecting to the Internet," on page 113 for information you'll need to enter.

Congratulations, you're up and running!

Basic Components of Your MacBook



Microphone

Capture sounds directly with this built-in microphone (located to the left of the iSight camera).

Built-in iSight camera and camera indicator light

Videoconference with others using the included iChat AV application. The camera indicator light glows when the video camera is capturing and displaying video.

Built-in stereo speakers (3)

Listen to music, movies, games, and multimedia files.

Trackpad

Move the pointer on the MacBook display with one finger on the trackpad; scroll with two fingers on the trackpad.

Sleep indicator light

A white light pulses when the MacBook is in sleep.

Built-in infrared (IR) receiver

Use your Apple Remote and the built-in IR receiver to control your MacBook from a distance.

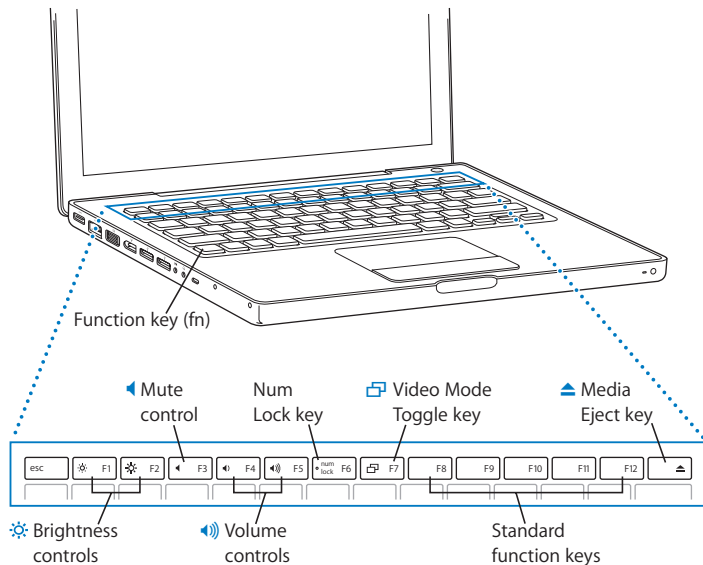
Slot-loading optical drive

Your optical drive can read CD and DVD discs and write to CDs. If you have a SuperDrive, you can also write to DVD discs. See “Using Your Optical Drive” on page 69 for details.

**Power button**

Turn your MacBook on or off, or put it to sleep.

Features of Your MacBook Keyboard



Function (Fn) key

Press and hold this key to activate customized actions assigned to the function keys (F1 to F12). To learn how to customize function keys, choose Help > Mac Help from the menu bar and search for “function keys.”

**Brightness controls**

Increase (☀️) or decrease (🌑) the brightness of your MacBook display.

**Mute control**

Mute the volume of the sound coming from the built-in speakers and headphone port.

**Volume controls**

Increase (🔊) or decrease (🔇) the volume of the sound coming from the built-in speakers and headphone port.

Num Lock key

Activate the numeric keypad integrated into the MacBook keyboard. When the numeric keypad is activated, a green light glows on the Num Lock key.

**Video Mode Toggle key**

Switch between dual-display mode (extending your desktop across the built-in display and an external display) and video-mirroring mode (presenting the same information on both displays).

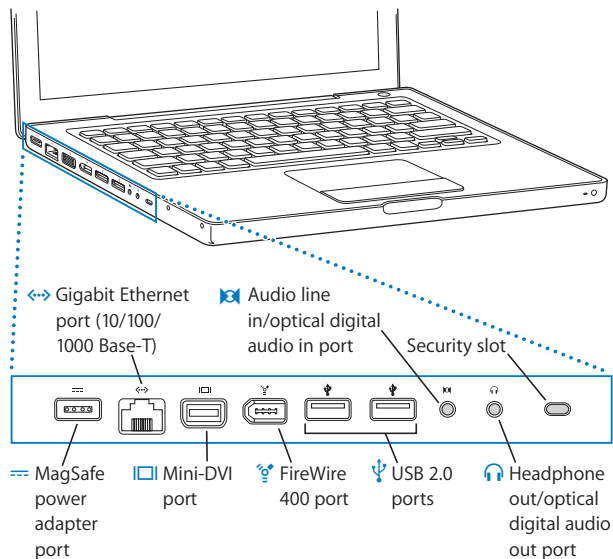
F11, F12

By default, F11 opens Exposé and F12 opens Dashboard.

**Media Eject key**

Press and hold this key to eject a disc. You can also eject a disc by dragging its desktop icon to the Trash.

Additional Components of Your MacBook



**MagSafe power adapter port**

Plug in the included Apple MagSafe 60W Power Adapter to recharge your MacBook battery.

**Gigabit Ethernet port (10/100/1000 Base-T)**

Connect to a high-speed Ethernet network or connect to another computer and transfer files. The Ethernet port autosensing feature detects other Ethernet devices and doesn't require an Ethernet crossover cable in order to connect.

**Mini-DVI (video out) port**

Connect to an external display or projection device that uses a DVI, VGA, composite, or S-video connector. Depending on the type of external device you're connecting to, you can use a Mini-DVI to DVI adapter, a Mini-DVI to VGA adapter, or a Mini-DVI to Video adapter, all sold separately at www.apple.com/store.

**FireWire 400 port**

Connect high-speed external devices, such as digital video cameras and external storage devices.

**Two high-speed USB 2.0 (Universal Serial Bus) ports**

Connect additional equipment to your MacBook, such as printers, external storage devices, digital cameras, modems, keyboards, and joysticks.

**Audio line in/optical digital audio in port**

Connect your MacBook to a line-level microphone or digital audio equipment.

**Headphone out/optical digital audio out port**

Connect external speakers, headphones, or digital audio equipment.

Security slot

Protect your MacBook from theft by connecting a security cable (sold separately).

For more information about these features, see Chapter 3, “Using Your MacBook,” on page 53.

Putting Your MacBook to Sleep or Shutting It Down

When you finish working with your MacBook, you can put it to sleep or shut it down.

Putting Your MacBook to Sleep

If you'll be away from your MacBook for only a short time, put it to sleep. When the computer is in sleep, you can quickly wake it and bypass the startup process.

To put the computer to sleep, do one of the following:

- Close the display.
- Choose Apple () > Sleep from the menu bar.
- Press the power (⏻) button and click Sleep in the dialog that appears.



- Choose Apple () > System Preferences, click Energy Saver, and set a sleep timer.
- Press and hold the Play/Pause (⏮) button on the Apple Remote for 3 seconds.

Warning: Wait a few seconds until the sleep indicator light starts pulsing (indicating that the computer is in sleep and the hard disk has stopped spinning) before you move your MacBook. Moving your computer while the hard disk is spinning can damage the hard disk, causing loss of data or the inability to start up from the hard disk.

To wake the computer:

- *If the display is closed*, simply open it to wake your MacBook.
- *If the display is already open*, press the power (⏻) button or any key on the keyboard, or any button on the Apple Remote.

Shutting Down Your MacBook

If you aren't going to use your MacBook for a day or two, it's best to shut it down. The sleep indicator light goes on briefly during the shutdown process.

To shut down your computer, do one of the following:

- Choose Apple (🍏) > Shut Down from the menu bar.
- Press the power (⏻) button and click Shut Down in the dialog that appears.

If you plan to store your MacBook for an extended period of time, see “Storing Your MacBook” on page 107 for information about how to prevent your battery from draining completely.

Calibrating Your Battery

To get the longest running time from your battery, calibrate it sometime during the first week you have your MacBook and recalibrate occasionally to keep your battery functioning at its fullest capacity.

To calibrate your battery:

- 1 Plug in the power adapter and fully charge your MacBook battery until the light on the power adapter plug changes to green and the Battery icon in the menu bar indicates that the battery is fully charged.
- 2 Allow the battery to rest in the fully charged state for two hours or longer. You may use your computer during this time as long as the adapter is plugged in.
- 3 Disconnect the power adapter with the MacBook on and start running it from the battery. You may use your computer during this time.

When your battery gets low, you'll see the low battery warning dialog on the screen.

- 4 Continue to keep your computer turned on until it goes to sleep. Save your work and close all applications when the battery gets low and before the system goes to sleep.
- 5 Turn off the computer or allow it to sleep for five hours or longer.
- 6 Connect the power adapter and leave it connected until the battery is fully charged again.

Important: Repeat the calibration process every two months or so to keep your battery fully functioning. If you use your MacBook infrequently, it's best to recalibrate the battery at least once a month.

If you purchased additional batteries, repeat the calibration procedure with those batteries as well. For more information, see “Using Your Battery” on page 74.

Getting More Information

For more information about your MacBook, check out these resources:

- Read Chapter 2, “Getting to Know Your MacBook,” on page 27 for important basics.
- If you’re unfamiliar with Mac OS X, review the *Welcome to Tiger* booklet that came with your computer and open Mac Help to browse the information there. For more information, see “Getting Answers Using Mac Help” on page 26.
- If you’re having a problem that prevents you from using your computer, see Chapter 5, “Troubleshooting,” on page 89.
- Check out the most commonly asked questions in “Top Ten Questions” on page 123.
- For support information, user discussion boards, and the latest Apple software downloads, go to www.apple.com/support.
- If you can’t find the answer to your question in these places, see the *AppleCare Service and Support Guide* that came with your computer for information about contacting Apple.

Getting Answers Using Mac Help

Most of the information about using your Macintosh is available on your computer in Mac Help.

To get Mac Help:

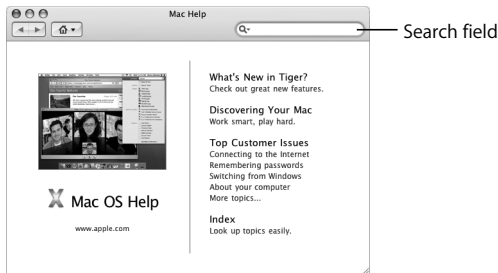
- 1 Click the Finder icon in the Dock (the bar of icons at the bottom of the screen).



- 2 Choose Help > Mac Help (click the Help menu in the menu bar and choose Mac Help).



- 3 Click in the Search field, type a question, and press Return on your keyboard.



Getting to Know Your MacBook

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This chapter introduces important basics about your MacBook.

Whenever you stop using your MacBook, wait a few moments to let the hard disk and any optical disc (such as a CD or DVD) in your drive stop spinning before you transport the computer. Avoid jostling or bumping your MacBook while discs are spinning.

Note: Your MacBook uses Sudden Motion Sensor technology to help protect the hard disk if the computer is dropped or shaken. See “Understanding Sudden Motion Sensor” on page 74 for more information.

When you use your MacBook or charge its battery, it is normal for the bottom of the case to get warm. For prolonged use, place your MacBook on a flat, stable surface. The bottom of the case is raised slightly to allow airflow that keeps the unit within normal operating temperatures.

You might hear system sounds during startup and when using your hard disk and optical drive. After the MacBook runs for some time, a small fan might turn on to cool it, producing a faint sound. System sounds such as these are part of the computer’s normal functioning.

For more safety instructions about handling and using your MacBook in various locations, make sure to read Appendix B, “Safety, Use, and Care Information,” on page 103.

The rest of this chapter includes sections about using components of your MacBook, such as the display, power adapter, trackpad, keyboard, built-in iSight camera, and Apple Remote. You'll also find information about Mac OS X, Mac Help, applications, and connecting to peripheral devices.

Adjusting Your Display

After you begin working with your new MacBook, you might need to adjust the brightness of your display so that the screen is easier to see. Use the F1 and F2 keys labeled with the brightness (☼) icon to adjust screen brightness.

To set preferences for your display that optimize battery use:

- 1 Open System Preferences and click Energy Saver.
- 2 In the “Settings for” pop-up menu, choose Battery and click Options.
- 3 Deselect “Reduce the brightness of the built-in display when using this power source” if you don’t want your display to dim to save on battery consumption.

When this feature is enabled, your display dims a small amount when you go from using the power adapter with your MacBook to using battery power. When you plug in the power adapter again, your display returns to its previous level of brightness.

Deselect “Automatically reduce the brightness of the display before display sleep” if you don’t want the display to dim before the MacBook sleeps.

Changing the Size of Images on the Screen

Your MacBook has a 13.3-inch widescreen display with a default resolution of 1280 x 800. You can change the size of images on your display by changing the screen resolution.

You can choose a lower resolution in the Displays pane of System Preferences. When you switch to a lower resolution, items on the screen appear larger, making them easier to see. However, lower resolutions might not be as sharp as the display's default resolution.

With some resolutions, a black band appears on each side of the display. If you don't want to see the bands, you can choose a "stretched" version of the resolution to have the image cover the entire screen and eliminate the bands.

To change the resolution on your display:

- Choose Apple (🍏) > System Preferences from the menu bar. Open the Displays pane of System Preferences.

To change your screen resolution using the Displays status menu in the menu bar, click "Show displays in menu bar."

Using Your Power Adapter

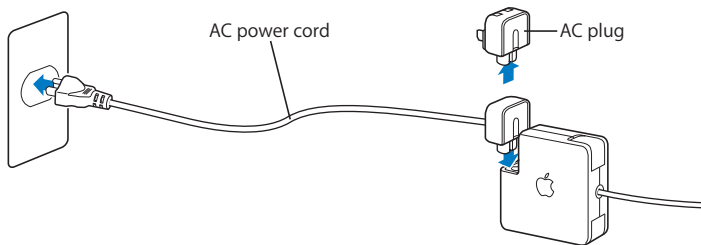
Plugging in the power adapter provides AC power to the MacBook and recharges the computer's battery.

Important: For optimal performance, use only the power adapter that came with your computer, or purchase an additional Apple MagSafe 60W Power Adapter.

When you first connect the power adapter to your computer, an indicator light on the power adapter plug starts to glow. An amber light indicates that power is going to the battery. A green light indicates that no power is going to the battery, which can mean the battery is fully charged, is not installed, or has a problem. If you don't see a light, your plug probably isn't seated correctly. Check for any debris and remove it. You can monitor the battery level using the Battery status menu in the menu bar or by checking the battery level indicator lights on the bottom of the battery (see page 74).

Warning: The MacBook power adapter port contains a magnet that can erase data on a credit card, iPod, or other device. To preserve your data, keep these and other magnetic media away from the power adapter port.

To extend the reach of your power adapter, first pull the AC plug up to remove it from the adapter. Attach the included AC cord to the adapter, making sure it is seated firmly. Plug the other end into a power outlet. The AC power cord provides a grounded connection.



Use the AC power cord and connect it to a grounded power outlet when one is available. Use only the AC power cord that came with your power adapter. Make sure to push the power plug snugly into the power adapter port on the computer to ensure it is engaged and power is flowing to the computer. If the cord is plugged in properly, you'll see a glowing indicator light on the end of the cord that plugs into your MacBook.

When disconnecting the power adapter from an outlet or from the computer, pull the plug, not the cord. For safety instructions about using your power adapter, see “Setting Up Your MacBook and Power Adapter” on page 105.

Using the Trackpad

How far the pointer moves onscreen is based on how quickly you move your finger across the trackpad. To move the pointer a short distance, move your finger slowly across the trackpad; the faster you move your finger, the farther the pointer moves onscreen. You can also adjust the tracking speed in the Keyboard & Mouse pane of System Preferences.

You can scroll vertically or horizontally in a window that has scroll bars, by moving two fingers on the trackpad. You can turn this option on or off in the Keyboard & Mouse pane of System Preferences.

Tips for Using the Trackpad

For best results when using the trackpad:

- Use only one finger, except when the scrolling feature is turned on and you want to scroll.
- Do not use a pen or any other object.
- Keep your finger and the trackpad dry. If the trackpad becomes moist from humidity or condensation, gently wipe it with a clean cloth before you use it.
- Never use any kind of cleaning solution on the trackpad.

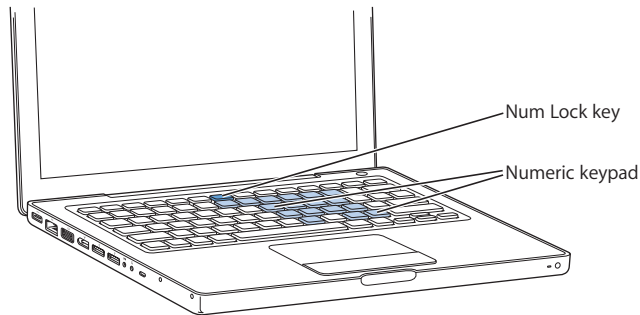
For more information about using the trackpad, choose Help > Mac Help from the menu bar at the top of the screen.

In addition to using the trackpad button, you can use your finger to click and double-click directly on the trackpad. You can turn on these features and other trackpad options in the Keyboard & Mouse pane of System Preferences.

Note: If you find that the pointer moves as you type because you accidentally brush the trackpad, you can avoid this problem by selecting the “Ignore accidental trackpad input” option in the Keyboard & Mouse pane of System Preferences.

Using the Keyboard

Your MacBook keyboard has a numeric keypad integrated into the standard keyboard keys. Keys used for the numeric keypad have a small secondary label.



To use the numeric keypad, press the Num Lock key. An indicator light on the Num Lock key glows when the keypad is active. When you finish using the keypad, press the Num Lock key again to turn it off.

Important: If your keyboard doesn't seem to be working correctly, check the Num Lock key. When the numeric keypad is active, other keys and keyboard equivalents for menu commands (such as ⌘-Q to quit) are deactivated.

You can use your keyboard as well as your Apple Remote to control the Front Row application. See "Using the Keyboard to Control Front Row" on page 39.

If you like to use keyboard shortcuts to work efficiently, open Mac Help and search for "keyboard shortcuts." You'll find an extensive list of keyboard shortcuts for many common procedures and applications.

Using a Mouse

If you have an Apple mouse with a USB connector, you can insert the USB connector into the USB 2.0 port and use your mouse right away. If you have an Apple wireless mouse, see "Using Bluetooth Wireless Technology" on page 62 for information about connecting it. You can purchase a wireless or USB mouse from the online Apple Store at www.apple.com/store or from an Apple Authorized Reseller.

Using the Apple Remote and Front Row

Your Apple Remote works with the Front Row interface and the built-in infrared (IR) receiver, which is located on the bottom right of the front side on your MacBook. Use the Apple Remote to open Front Row and work with iTunes, iPhoto, iMovie, DVD Player, and more, from across the room.

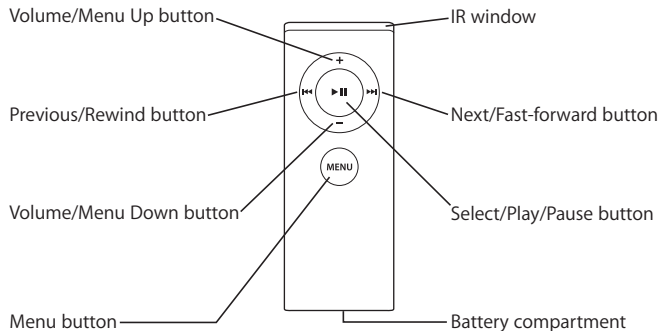
Use your Apple Remote to:

- Open Front Row and navigate through the Music, Photos, Videos, and DVD menus.
- Adjust the volume of a song, play or pause a song, or skip to the next or previous track in iTunes.
- Play a slideshow of any of your photo albums in iPhoto.
- Play movies that are in your Movies folder or watch online QuickTime movie trailers.
- Play a DVD in your optical drive with DVD Player.
- Navigate Keynote presentations.
- Sleep or wake your MacBook.

To use the Apple Remote with Front Row, point it at the MacBook and:

- Press the Menu (MENU) button to open or close Front Row, or to return to the previous menu when you're navigating through Front Row.
- Press the Next/Fast-forward (⏭) or Previous/Rewind (⏮) button to cycle through the applications in Front Row.
- Press the Volume/Menu Up (+) and Volume/Menu Down (−) buttons to move through a menu or adjust the volume.

- Press the Select/Play/Pause (▶||) button to select a menu item, or to play or pause a song, slideshow, video, or DVD.
- Press the Next/Fast-forward (▶▶) or Previous/Rewind (◀◀) button to skip forward or backward through your media content. Press and hold to fast-forward or rewind.
- Hold down the Select/Play/Pause (▶||) button for 3 seconds to put your MacBook to sleep.



Using the Apple Remote with Keynote

If you have Keynote installed, you can control presentations with the Apple Remote. With Keynote open, press the Select/Play/Pause (▶||) button to start a presentation. Then, depending on where you want to work in the application (in a presentation or the slide organizer), point the Apple Remote at your MacBook and press the buttons to control Keynote as described in the following table.

Press this button	In a presentation	In slide organizer
▶ (Select/Play/Pause)	To freeze/unfreeze	To jump to selected slide
MENU (Menu)	To invoke slide organizer	To exit slide organizer
MENU and hold	To exit	To exit presentation
⏮ (Previous/Rewind)	To move to previous slide	To select previous slide
⏮ and hold	To jump to first slide	
⏭ (Next/Fast-forward)	To move to next slide	To select next slide
⏭ and hold	To jump to last slide	
+ (Volume/Menu Up)	To increase volume	To increase volume
- (Volume/Menu Down)	To decrease volume	To decrease volume

Pairing Your Apple Remote

If you have multiple computers or other devices with built-in IR receivers in a room (for example, more than one MacBook or iMac in a home office or lab), you can pair your Apple Remote to be used with a specific computer or device. Pairing sets up the receiving computer or device to be controlled only by a specific Apple Remote.

To pair your Apple Remote with your MacBook:

- 1 Position the Apple Remote 3 to 4 inches from the IR receiver on your MacBook.
- 2 Press and hold the Menu (MENU) and Next/Fast-forward (⏭) buttons on the Apple Remote at the same time for 5 seconds.

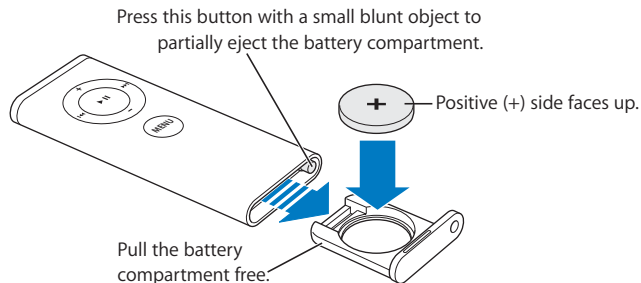
When you successfully pair your Apple Remote with your MacBook, you'll see a chainlink symbol (🔗) onscreen.

To delete a pairing between the Apple Remote and your MacBook:

- 1 Choose Apple (🍏) > System Preferences from the menu bar.
- 2 Click Security and then click Unpair.

Replacing the Battery

The Apple Remote includes a non-rechargeable battery. When needed, replace the battery with a CR 2032 battery. Do not attempt to recharge the battery.



To replace the battery:

- 1 Open the battery compartment by pressing the button (pictured above) with a small object, such as the end of a paper clip.
- 2 Pull the battery compartment out and remove the battery.
- 3 Insert the replacement battery with the positive (+) side facing up.
- 4 Close the battery compartment.

Turning Off IR Reception

You can use Security preferences to turn IR reception on your MacBook on or off.

To turn off IR reception:

- Choose Apple (🍏) > System Preferences from the menu bar and click Security.
- Select the “Disable remote control infrared receiver” checkbox.

Using the Keyboard to Control Front Row

In addition to using the Apple Remote to control Front Row, you can also use your keyboard. The following keys correspond to the buttons on the Apple Remote:

Keyboard equivalent	Apple Remote button
Command (⌘) - Esc	Enter Menu (MENU)
Esc	Exit Menu (MENU)
Space or Return	Select/Play/Pause (▶)
Up arrow (↑)	Volume/Menu Up (⏏)
Down arrow (↓)	Volume/Menu Down (⏏)
Right arrow (→)	Next/Fast forward (⏏)
Left arrow (←)	Previous/Rewind (⏏)

Getting More Information About the Apple Remote

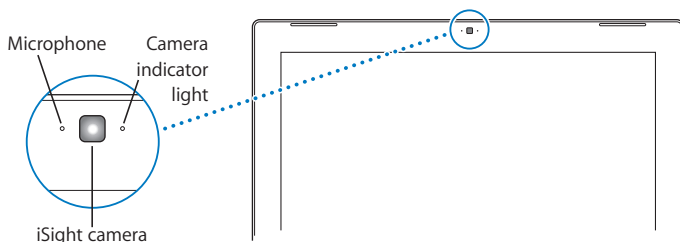
More information about your Apple Remote is available in Mac Help. Choose Help > Mac Help from the menu bar and search for “Apple Remote.”

Using the Built-in iSight Camera

With the built-in iSight camera, you can take pictures with Photo Booth or video chat with other iChat AV users.

Taking Pictures with Photo Booth

Use Photo Booth to take pictures and add fun visual effects such as sepia, black and white, glow, colored pencil, and more.



To take a picture with Photo Booth:

- 1 Click the Photo Booth icon in the Dock to open Photo Booth and turn on the built-in iSight camera.

The glowing indicator light next to the camera tells you it's on.

- 2 Select an effect to apply to your picture, if you like.
- 3 Click the Camera icon below the image to take a picture.

Save the picture as your iChat buddy picture, email it to your friends, or save it in your iPhoto library.

To use a picture as your buddy picture or account picture:

- 1 Open Photo Booth and take a picture.
- 2 Select the picture you'd like to use as your buddy picture or account picture.
- 3 Click the Buddy Picture or Account Picture icon to automatically update your picture.

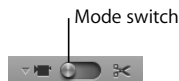
More information about Photo Booth is available by choosing Help > Mac Help from the menu bar, and then choosing Library > Photo Booth Help.

Using Your iSight Camera with iMovie HD

You can capture live video from your built-in iSight camera directly into iMovie HD.

To capture live video:

- 1 Open iMovie HD by clicking its icon in the Dock.
- 2 Click the mode switch to set iMovie HD to built-in camera mode.



- 3 Click the camera icon to the left of the mode switch and choose Built-in iSight from the pop-up menu.
- 4 Click the “Record With iSight” button in the iMovie monitor to begin recording.
The video you see in the iMovie monitor is recorded as a clip in the iMovie Clips pane.
- 5 Click the “Record With iSight” button again to stop recording.
You can record video as long as your MacBook has enough disk space to hold it.

More information about iMovie HD is available in Mac Help. Choose Help > Mac Help from the menu bar, and then choose Library > iMovie HD Help.

Videoconferencing with iChat AV

When you open iChat AV, the camera indicator light turns on. Click the video icon of a buddy to videoconference with that iChat AV user in real-time full-motion video. Your MacBook also has a built-in microphone, so you have both voice and video support for iChat AV videoconferences.

To use the built-in iSight to videoconference, you must have the following:

- A .Mac, America Online (AOL), or AOL Instant Messenger (AIM) account (required for iChat AV).
- A broadband Internet connection using a DSL or cable modem, or a local area network (LAN). A dial-up Internet connection doesn't support this activity.

To start a videoconference:

- 1 Open iChat AV.
- 2 Click the Camera button next to a buddy in your buddy list.

For information about adding people to your buddy list, choose Help > iChat AV Help.

When you click a Camera button in the buddy list, the camera indicator light glows to indicate you are displaying video. This also sends an invitation to your buddy to accept your video request and lets you preview how you look on camera. When a buddy accepts your invitation, you can see the buddy on your screen as well as yourself.

Videoconferencing with More Than One Buddy

You can videoconference with up to three buddies at once. One buddy hosts the videoconference, and the others participate.

To start a videoconference with more than one buddy:

- 1 Open iChat AV.
- 2 Hold down the Command key while you select the buddies you want to invite.
- 3 Click the Camera button at the bottom of your buddy list.

Turning Off the iSight Camera

To turn off your iSight camera, close the active iChat window. The camera indicator light turns off, indicating that the iSight camera is off and recording has stopped.

Using Your Picture as Your Buddy Picture

You can take a picture of yourself using the iSight camera and use it as your buddy picture. People who have placed you in their buddy list will see this picture.

To set your buddy picture:

- 1 Open iChat AV.
- 2 Choose Buddies > Change My Picture.
- 3 Click the Camera button.

Learning About Mac OS X

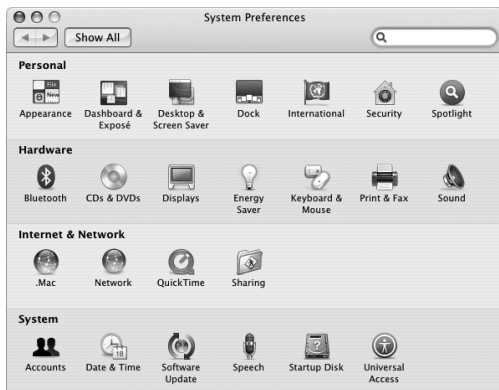
Your computer comes with Mac OS X v10.4 Tiger, which includes Spotlight, a search engine that automatically indexes all of your files; Dashboard, which puts handy “widgets” or mini-applications at your fingertips; Exposé, which tiles and neatly displays all your open applications; and much more.

When you’re ready to learn more about Mac OS X and the award-winning iLife applications that came with your computer, see the *Welcome to Tiger* booklet that came with your MacBook or browse the information in Mac Help. If you experience any problems while using Mac OS X, see Chapter 5, “Troubleshooting,” or Mac Help.

For information about the software applications compatible with Mac OS X, or to read more about Mac OS X, check the Apple website at www.apple.com/macosx.

Customizing Your Desktop and Setting Your Preferences

You can quickly make your desktop look the way you want using System Preferences. Choose Apple () > System Preferences from the menu bar.



Feel free to make changes and experiment with the following panes:

- *Appearance*: Select this preference pane to change the color of buttons, menus, windows, and highlight colors, among other options.
- *Dashboard & Exposé*: Select this preference pane to set active screen corners and shortcuts for Dashboard, your desktop, your application windows, and all windows.

- *Desktop & Screen Saver*: Select this preference pane to change the background color or pattern of your desktop, or change it to a photo or image you like. You can also choose an eye-catching screen effect that will appear on your screen when the computer is left idle.
- *Dock*: Select this preference pane to change the size, location, and behavior of your Dock (the bar of icons at the bottom of the screen).

As you get to know your computer, explore the other system preferences. System Preferences is your command center for most settings on your MacBook. For more information, open Mac Help and search for “System Preferences” or for the specific preference pane you want to use.

Note: Because Apple frequently releases new versions and updates to its system software, applications, and Internet sites, images shown in this book might be slightly different from what you see on your screen.

Using Applications

Your MacBook comes with software applications for sending email, surfing the Internet, and chatting online. It also includes the iLife suite of applications for organizing music and digital photos, making movies and websites, and much more. For more information about these applications, see the *Welcome to Tiger* booklet that came with your computer.

When an Application Doesn't Respond

On rare occasions, an application might “freeze” on the screen. Mac OS X provides a way to quit a frozen application without restarting your computer. Quitting a frozen application might allow you to save your work in other open applications.

To force an application to quit:

- 1 Press Command (⌘)-Option-Esc or choose Apple () > Force Quit from the menu bar. The Force Quit Applications dialog appears with the application selected.
- 2 In the confirmation dialog, click Force Quit.
The application quits, leaving all other applications open.

If you need to, you can also restart the Finder from this dialog.

If you're experiencing other problems with an application, see Chapter 5, “Troubleshooting,” on page 89.

Keeping Your Software Up to Date

You can connect to the Internet and automatically download and install the latest free software versions, drivers, and other enhancements from Apple.

When you are connected to the Internet, Software Update checks Apple's Internet servers to see if any updates are available for your computer. You can set your Mac to check the Apple servers periodically, and download and install updated software.

To check for updated software:

- 1 Open System Preferences.
- 2 Click the Software Update icon and follow the instructions on the screen.
 - For more information, search for “Software Update” in Mac Help.
 - For the latest information about Mac OS X, go to the Mac OS X website at www.apple.com/macosx.

Connecting to a Printer

Follow the instructions that came with your printer to install required software and connect the printer. The drivers for most printers are built into Mac OS X.

You can connect most printers with a USB cable; others might require a network connection, such as Ethernet. If you have an AirPort Express or AirPort Extreme Base Station, you can connect a USB printer to the base station (instead of connecting it to your computer) and print wirelessly. For more information about your USB ports, see “Using Universal Serial Bus (USB) Devices” on page 54. For more information about a wireless or network connection, see “How AirPort Provides Wireless Internet Access” on page 61 and “Connecting with Ethernet” on page 64.

After you connect a USB printer, your computer usually detects it automatically and adds it to the list of available printers. You might need to know the network name or address of printers connected to a network before you can print to them. Use the Print & Fax pane of System Preferences to select your printer.

Note: If your printer isn’t working, you might need to check the website of the printer manufacturer for compatible printer driver software to install.

To set up a printer:

- 1 Open System Preferences and click the Print & Fax icon.
- 2 Click Printing and then click the Add (+) button to add a printer.
- 3 Select the printer you want to use, and then click Add.
- 4 Use the Add (+) and Remove (–) buttons to choose the printers that appear in the printer list.

Monitoring Printing

After you send a document to a printer, you can monitor printing, halt your print job, or put it temporarily on hold. Click the printer icon in the Dock to open the Printer window. For more information, choose Help > Mac Help and search for “printing.”

Playing a CD and Connecting Headphones

You can use iTunes—an easy-to-use digital jukebox and store from which you can download music, videos, podcasts, and audiobooks—to listen to your iTunes music and CDs while you work. Insert a music CD in your optical drive and iTunes appears automatically on the screen. You can listen to your music on the MacBook internal speakers or connect headphones to the headphone port of your MacBook for private listening.

To learn more about iTunes:

- Open iTunes and choose Help > iTunes and Music Store Help.

Connecting a Camera or Other FireWire or USB Device

If you have an iPod, digital camera, video camera, scanner, or other device that has a FireWire or USB connector, you can connect it to your MacBook. Follow the installation instructions that came with your device. For information about FireWire, see “Connecting with FireWire” on page 57. For information about USB, see “Using Universal Serial Bus (USB) Devices” on page 54.

Transferring Files to or from Another Computer

If you want to transfer files or documents to or from another computer, there are several ways of doing it.

- You can easily transfer all your files using Migration Assistant and a FireWire cable (sold separately).
- You can connect to another Mac using a FireWire cable and start up your MacBook in FireWire Target Disk Mode. Your MacBook appears as a hard disk on the other computer and you can drag files to it. For information about using FireWire to transfer files, see “Connecting Your MacBook to Another Computer Using FireWire” on page 59.
- If you have an external hard disk drive, iPod, flash drive, or other data storage device that connects through a USB or FireWire cable, you can use it to transfer files.
- If you have an email connection, you can email your files to another computer.

- If you register for a .Mac account from Apple (fees apply), you can use it to transfer files. With a .Mac account, you get an iDisk, which provides Internet space for backing up and storing files, so other computers can access the files you transfer there.
- Using a recordable optical drive, you can record files for transfer on a CD or DVD disc.
- If you connect your computer to a network using Ethernet, you can exchange files with other computers on the network. You can access a server or another computer by clicking Network in the Finder sidebar, or by choosing Go > Connect to Server from the menu bar.
- You can create a small Ethernet network by connecting an Ethernet cable from your MacBook to another computer's Ethernet port. After you're connected, you can transfer files directly from one computer to the other. For more information, open Mac Help and search for "connecting two computers."
- You can connect to an AirPort Extreme wireless network to transfer files. For more information, see "How AirPort Provides Wireless Internet Access" on page 61.
- If you have access to devices that communicate using Bluetooth® wireless technology, you can transfer files to other Bluetooth equipped devices. For more information, see "Using Bluetooth Wireless Technology" on page 62.

For general information about transferring files and documents, open Mac Help and search for "transferring" or for the type of connection you need.

Your MacBook has many built-in features and connection capabilities.

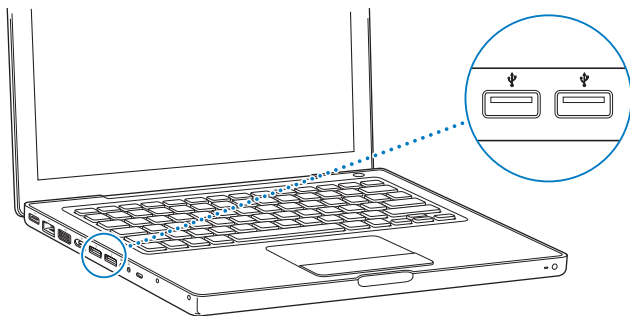
These include the following:

- Universal Serial Bus (USB) 2.0 ports for connecting equipment such as iPods, printers, scanners, and other devices. See “Using Universal Serial Bus (USB) Devices” on page 54.
- A FireWire 400 port for connecting high-speed equipment such as digital video cameras and external hard disk drives. See “Connecting with FireWire” on page 57.
- Bluetooth wireless connectivity, AirPort Extreme wireless networking capability, and Gigabit Ethernet networking capability. See “Using Bluetooth Wireless Technology” on page 62, “How AirPort Provides Wireless Internet Access” on page 61, and “Connecting with Ethernet” on page 64.
- An audio line in/optical digital audio in port and a headphone/optical digital audio out port for connecting headphones, speakers, and digital audio equipment. See “Connecting Speakers and Other Audio Devices” on page 68.

- A mini-DVI video out port for connecting your MacBook to an external display by using a Mini-DVI to DVI adapter or a Mini-DVI to VGA adapter. Use a Mini-DVI to Video adapter to connect a video device that requires a composite or S-video connection. All adapters are sold separately. See “Using External Video Support” on page 65.
- A slot-loading optical drive for playing CDs and DVDs and burning CDs. If you have a SuperDrive, you can burn DVDs as well. See “Using Your Optical Drive” on page 69.
- Sudden Motion Sensor technology that helps protect the internal hard disk if your MacBook is dropped or shaken. See “Understanding Sudden Motion Sensor” on page 74.
- A MacBook battery that provides convenient, at-a-glance battery status. See “Using Your Battery” on page 74.
- A security slot so that you can make sure your MacBook stays where it should. See “Securing Your MacBook” on page 78.

Using Universal Serial Bus (USB) Devices

Your MacBook comes with two USB 2.0 (Ψ) ports, also referred to as high-speed USB, which you can use to connect many types of external devices, including iPods, printers, scanners, digital cameras, game pads, joysticks, keyboards, and floppy disk drives. Your USB 2.0 ports are compatible with earlier USB devices. In most cases, you can connect and disconnect a USB device while the computer is running. After you connect the device, it is ready to use. You don't need to restart or reconfigure your computer.



To use a USB device with your computer, connect the device to the computer. Your computer automatically detects newly connected devices and loads the correct software to work with the device.

Note: If your MacBook can't find the correct software when you connect a USB device, you can either install the software that came with the device or go to the website of the device manufacturer to locate and install the correct software.

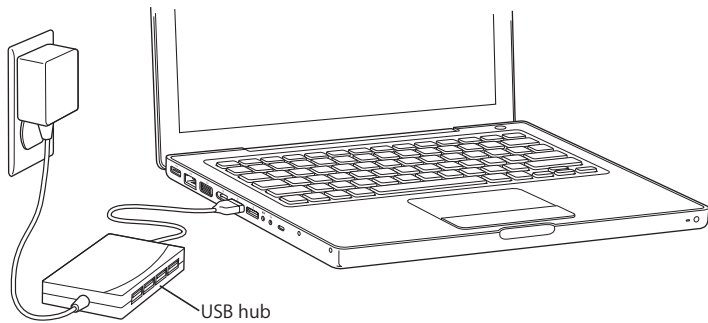
Understanding USB Devices and Battery Power

You can use USB devices, such as joysticks and keyboards, that are powered by the MacBook USB connection instead of by a separate power adapter. However, these types of USB devices can cause your MacBook battery to be depleted faster. If the device will be connected for an extended period, it is a good idea to connect the MacBook power adapter.

Using Multiple USB Devices at the Same Time

You can purchase a USB hub to connect multiple USB devices to your computer. The USB hub connects to an open USB port on your computer and provides additional USB ports (usually four or seven). High-speed hubs can support USB 2.0 high-speed devices as well as USB 1.1 compatible devices. USB 1.1 hubs don't allow high-speed USB devices to operate at their maximum data speed. Most USB hubs have a power adapter and should be plugged into an outlet.

Note: If you are using a chain of USB devices and hubs, some USB devices might not work when connected through a combination of USB 2.0 high-speed hubs and USB 1.1 full-speed or low-speed hubs. For example, you might not see an external USB hard disk on your desktop. To avoid this problem, don't connect USB devices with different speeds together. Connect your high-speed hub directly to your computer and connect high-speed devices to it. Connect a full-speed or low-speed hub directly to your computer and connect similar speed devices to it.



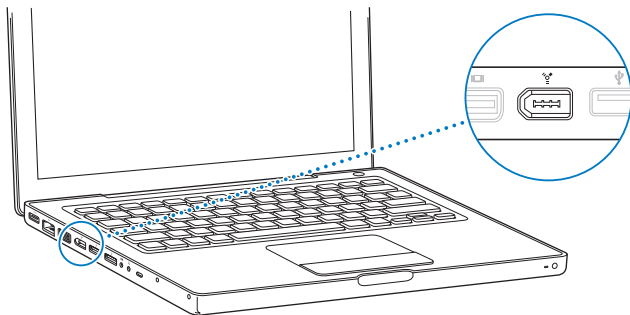
Getting More Information About USB

More information about USB is available in Mac Help. Choose Help > Mac Help in the menu bar and search for “USB.” You can also find information on the Apple USB website at www.apple.com/usb. For information about USB devices available for your computer, check the Macintosh Products Guide at www.apple.com/guide.

Connecting with FireWire

Your computer has one FireWire 400 (⌘) port. With FireWire, you can easily connect and disconnect external high-speed devices—such as high definition video (HDV) or digital video (DV) cameras and hard disks—without restarting your computer.

You can connect a standard 6-pin FireWire device directly to the FireWire 400 (⌘) port. The port provides power to connected devices, so the devices don’t need a separate power plug.



These are some of the things you can do with FireWire:

- Connect an HDV or DV camera and capture, transfer, and edit high-quality video directly on your computer using video-editing software such as iMovie HD, Final Cut Express, or Final Cut Studio (sold separately).
- Connect an external FireWire hard disk drive and use it to back up data or transfer files.
- Start up from an external FireWire hard disk. Connect an external FireWire hard disk drive (with Mac OS X v10.4.6 or later installed on it), open the Startup Disk pane of System Preferences, and click the FireWire hard disk icon. Restart your computer.
- Transfer files between your MacBook and another FireWire-equipped computer using FireWire Target Disk Mode. See “Connecting Your MacBook to Another Computer Using FireWire” on page 59 for more information.

Using FireWire Devices

To use a FireWire device with your computer, connect the device to the computer and install any software that came with the device. Your computer automatically detects newly connected devices.

Note: If your MacBook can't find the correct software when you connect a FireWire device, you can either install the software that came with the device or go to the website of the device manufacturer to locate and install the correct software.

Understanding FireWire Devices and Battery Power

You can use FireWire devices, such as certain external hard disk drives, that are powered by the MacBook FireWire connection instead of by a separate power adapter. However, these FireWire devices can cause your MacBook battery to be depleted faster. If a device will be connected for an extended period, it is a good idea to connect the MacBook power adapter.

Note: The FireWire (⚡) port is designed to support power for FireWire devices (up to 7 watts maximum). You can connect multiple devices to each other and connect the chain of devices to the FireWire port on your computer, but only one device should get power from the computer. The rest of the devices in the chain should be powered by separate power adapters. Connecting more than one FireWire device that gets power from the port can cause problems. If a problem occurs, shut down the computer, disconnect the FireWire devices, and restart your computer.

Connecting Your MacBook to Another Computer Using FireWire


If you want to transfer files between your MacBook and another FireWire-equipped computer, or if you have a problem that prevents your computer from starting up, you can use FireWire Target Disk Mode to connect to another computer. When you start up your MacBook in FireWire Target Disk Mode, the other computer can access your MacBook as if it were an external hard disk.

Note: When using FireWire Target Disk Mode, it's a good idea to connect your power adapter to the MacBook.

To connect your MacBook to another computer in FireWire Target Disk Mode:

- 1 Make sure that your MacBook is shut down.
- 2 Use a FireWire cable to connect your MacBook to another FireWire-equipped computer.
- 3 Start up your MacBook and immediately hold down the T key.

Your MacBook display will show the FireWire logo. The other computer's display shows the MacBook internal hard disk icon. You can now drag and drop files between the computers.

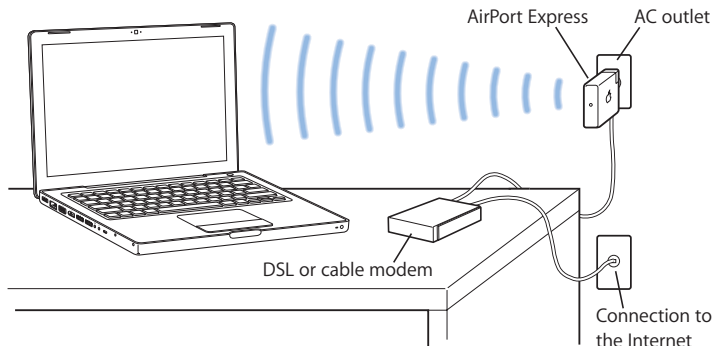
- 4 When you finish transferring files, drag the MacBook hard disk icon to the Trash (Eject icon).
- 5 Press the power () button on the MacBook to shut it down, and then disconnect the FireWire cable.

Getting More Information About FireWire

More information about FireWire is available in Mac Help. Choose Help > Mac Help in the Finder menu bar and search for “FireWire.” You can also find information on the Apple FireWire website at www.apple.com/firewire.

How AirPort Provides Wireless Internet Access

With AirPort Extreme technology, your MacBook makes a wireless connection to an AirPort Express, AirPort Extreme Base Station, or any 802.11b- or 802.11g-compliant product that is connected to the phone line, a DSL or cable modem, or a local area network (LAN) with Internet access.



Getting More Information About AirPort Extreme

To purchase an AirPort Extreme Base Station or AirPort Express, go to the online Apple Store at www.apple.com/store or contact your Apple Authorized Reseller.

More information about AirPort Extreme and AirPort Express is available in AirPort Help. Choose Help > Mac Help, and then choose Library > AirPort Help. You can also find information on the Apple AirPort website at www.apple.com/airportexpress and www.apple.com/airportextreme.

Using Bluetooth Wireless Technology

Your MacBook comes with Bluetooth wireless technology. With Bluetooth, you can make short-range wireless connections between desktop and portable computers, personal digital assistants (PDAs), mobile phones, camera phones, printers, digital cameras, and wireless input devices, such as the Apple Wireless Keyboard and Apple Wireless Mouse (available for purchase from the online Apple Store at www.apple.com/store).

Bluetooth wireless technology eliminates the need for many cables that traditionally connect devices together. Bluetooth enabled devices can connect to each other wirelessly at a distance of up to 33 feet (10 meters).

With Bluetooth wireless technology, you can do the following:

- Use your MacBook to communicate with a compatible Bluetooth enabled mobile phone. Your phone can act as a modem to connect you to a wireless service provider, at a speed of up to 56 kilobits per second (kbit/s), so you can use your mobile phone to access the Internet.
- Synchronize with your handheld Bluetooth enabled PDA. Using iSync, you can perform a HotSync operation without cables or send your business card or calendar events directly to a colleague's PDA.
- Exchange files between Bluetooth enabled computers and devices—even Mac to PC.
- Use a Bluetooth wireless printer, keyboard, mouse, or headset.

Setting Up a Bluetooth Device

Before you can use a Bluetooth device with your MacBook, you need to set up the device to work with your computer. After you set up the device, it is paired with your computer, and you can see it in the Devices pane of Bluetooth preferences. You pair your computer with the device only once, and they remain paired until you delete the pairing.

To set up a Bluetooth device:

- 1 Choose Set up Bluetooth Device from the Bluetooth (⌘) status menu.
- 2 Follow the onscreen instructions for the type of device you want to set up.

If the Bluetooth (⌘) status menu isn't in the menu bar, open System Preferences and click Bluetooth. Click Settings and then select "Show Bluetooth status in the menu bar."

To delete a pairing with a device:

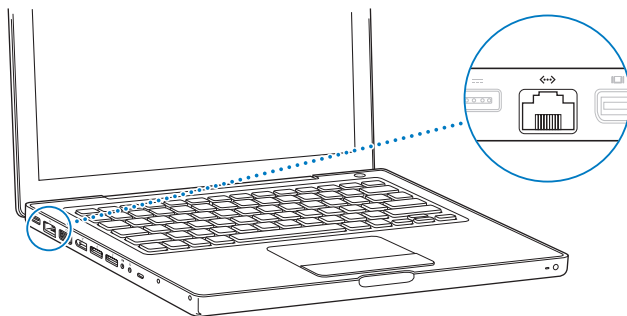
- 1 Open System Preferences and click Bluetooth.
- 2 Click Devices and select the device in the list.
- 3 Click Delete.

Getting More Information About Bluetooth Wireless Technology

You can find out more about using Bluetooth wireless technology by opening the Bluetooth File Exchange application (located in the Utilities folder within the Applications folder) and choosing Help > Bluetooth Help. You can also find information on the Apple Bluetooth website at www.apple.com/bluetooth.

Connecting with Ethernet

Your computer comes with built-in Gigabit Ethernet (↔) networking capability, which you can use to connect to a network or to a DSL or cable modem.



Connecting to a network gives you access to other computers and potentially to network printers, modems, email, and the Internet. You can use Ethernet to share files between two computers or set up a small network. The Ethernet port on your MacBook automatically detects other Ethernet devices. You don't need an Ethernet crossover cable when connecting to other Ethernet devices.

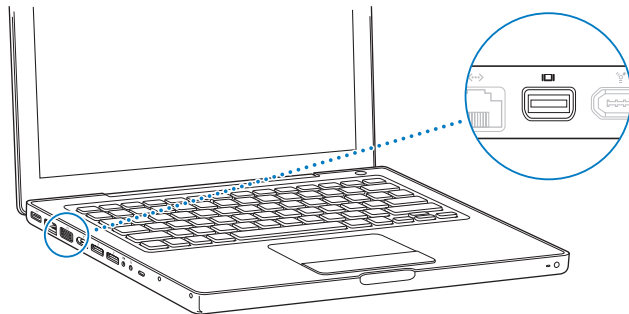
Getting More Information About Using Ethernet

More information, including setting up an Ethernet network and transferring files using Ethernet, is available in Mac Help. Choose Help > Mac Help and search for “Ethernet” or “network.”


For information about networking products you can use with your MacBook, check the Macintosh Products Guide at www.apple.com/guide.


Using External Video Support

Your computer has an external monitor (mini-DVI) port that allows you to connect a display or projector with a DVI or VGA port. Use the Apple Mini-DVI to DVI Adapter (sold separately) to connect your MacBook to a DVI monitor or projector. Use the Apple Mini-DVI to VGA Adapter (sold separately) to connect your MacBook to a VGA monitor or projector.



You can also display images on a TV, record images on a VCR, or play DVDs on your TV by connecting an Apple Mini-DVI to Video Adapter for use with composite and S-video connectors. You can purchase the adapters from an Apple Store retail location, the online Apple Store at www.apple.com/store, or an Apple Authorized Reseller.

When an external monitor or TV is connected, you can either have the same image appear on both the built-in display and the external monitor (known as *video mirroring*) or use the external monitor to extend the size of the Mac OS desktop (known as *dual-display* or *extended desktop mode*). By default, your MacBook starts up in dual-display mode. Press the F7 () key to switch between dual-display and video-mirroring modes.

If you want sound to come from an external display, such as a projector or TV, you need to connect an audio cable (not included) from the computer's headphone () port to that device.

Note: Because of the display limitations of most TVs, images displayed on a TV screen are of lower quality than those on the built-in display or an external monitor.

Connecting an External Display or Projector

To connect an external display or projector with a DVI or VGA connector to your computer:

- 1 Turn on the external display or projector.
- 2 Make sure the display cable is connected to the external display or projector.
- 3 Connect the display cable to your MacBook using the appropriate adapter (the Apple Mini-DVI to DVI Adapter or the Apple Mini-DVI to VGA Adapter). Your MacBook automatically detects the external display.
- 4 Adjust the resolution on an external display by using the Displays pane of System Preferences or by using the Displays icon in the menu bar.

Note: Your MacBook supports external display resolutions up to 1920 x 1200 on Apple DVI displays and up to 1600 x 1200 on VGA displays.

Using Your MacBook with the Display Closed

You can use your MacBook with the display closed if the computer is connected to an external monitor, keyboard, and mouse.

Important: To use your MacBook with the display closed, the MacBook must be plugged into a functioning power outlet.

To operate your computer with an external monitor attached and the display closed:

- 1 Connect a USB keyboard and mouse to your MacBook.
- 2 Connect the power adapter to the MacBook and a power outlet. Check that the power adapter light is on.
- 3 Close the MacBook display to put the computer to sleep.
- 4 Follow the steps in the previous section to connect your MacBook to an external display.
- 5 Wait a few seconds and then press any key on the external keyboard to wake the MacBook.

Connecting a TV, VCR, or Other Video Device

To connect a TV or video device that requires a composite or S-video connection:

- 1 Connect the Apple Mini-DVI to Video Adapter (sold separately) to the Mini-DVI port on your MacBook.
- 2 Connect the device to the adapter.
- 3 If you want to send the sound from your MacBook to the device, connect a miniplug-to-RCA cable (not included) from the headphone (🎧) port on your MacBook to the audio input ports on your device.
- 4 Turn on the external device.

- 5 To detect the TV or other external device, hold down the Command (⌘) key and press the F2 key. You can also open the Displays pane of System Preferences and click the Detect Displays button.
- 6 To adjust how the image is displayed on the device, use the Displays pane of System Preferences.

Getting More Information About Using an External Monitor or TV

More information about using and configuring an external monitor is available in Mac Help. Choose Help > Mac Help from the menu bar and search for “external monitor.”

Connecting Speakers and Other Audio Devices

Your MacBook comes with three built-in speakers, a built-in microphone, an audio line in/optical digital audio in port, and a headphone/optical digital audio out (🎧) port.

You can connect external speakers, headphones, and other sound output devices to the headphone (🎧) port. The headphone port is also an S/PDIF stereo 3.5 mini-phono jack. When devices are plugged in, sound won't come through your built-in speakers. Unplug any headphones or speakers to hear the computer speakers.

You can record sound onto your hard disk using the built-in microphone located next to the built-in iSight camera. You can also connect external microphones or other audio equipment to the audio line in port. The audio line in port is also an S/PDIF stereo 3.5 mini-phono jack, which doesn't provide power to a connected device, so you must use self-powered peripherals. Using a Toslink jack-to-miniplug adapter, you can use a Toslink cable to connect Digital Audio Tape (DAT) decks or digital instruments to input and mix your own music.

For applications that can record sounds, such as iMovie HD, use the Sound pane of System Preferences to select the audio input device you want to use, including microphones connected through USB.

The volume controls on your keyboard allow you to easily adjust the output volume. You can also adjust both the input and output volume from the Sound pane of System Preferences.

For more information about using or troubleshooting sound on your computer, choose Help > Mac Help and search for “sound.”

Using Your Optical Drive

Your MacBook includes an optical drive—either a Combo drive or a SuperDrive.

With your optical drive, you can:

- Install or use software from CDs and DVDs.
- Play music and multimedia files from CDs.
- Write music, documents, and other digital files to CD-R and CD-RW discs.
- Play DVD movies and read most DVD discs.

If you have a SuperDrive, you can also record information on blank DVD±R and DVD±RW discs.

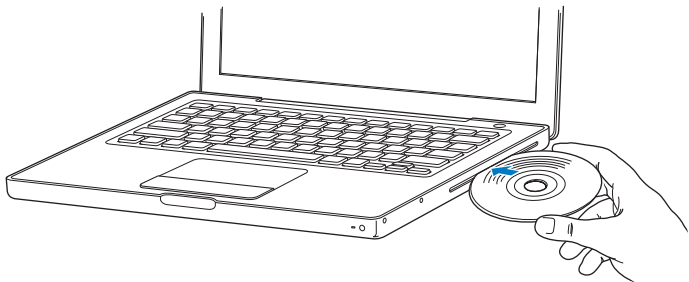
Important: The optical drive on your MacBook supports standard circular 12 cm discs. Irregularly shaped discs or discs smaller than 12 cm are not supported. These types of discs can become lodged in the drive.

Inserting a CD or DVD Disc

To install or use software from a CD or DVD disc:

- 1 With the computer turned on, insert the disc (with the label facing up) into the drive slot until you feel the drive catch the disc and take it the rest of the way in.

You might need to insert the disc nearly all the way before the drive takes it the rest of the way. This is normal.



- 2 When the icon for the disc appears on the desktop, the disc is ready to use.

Ejecting a Disc

To eject a disc, do one of the following:

- Drag the disc icon to the Trash (Eject icon).
- Press and hold the Media Eject (⏏) key on the keyboard until the disc ejects.

Allow the disc to fully eject before removing or reinserting it.

If you can't eject the disc, quit any applications that might be using the disc and try again. If that doesn't work, restart the computer while holding down the trackpad button.

Playing DVDs

To play a DVD-Video on your MacBook, insert the DVD disc. DVD Player opens automatically. You'll find DVD Player provides easy-to-use controls for starting, stopping, and viewing DVDs.



If your MacBook is connected to a TV so that you can watch a DVD-Video on the TV screen, select 720 x 480 NTSC (in the United States) or 720 x 576 PAL (in Europe and other regions) in the Displays pane of System Preferences.

You can easily connect your MacBook to your stereo system. Use a miniplug-to-RCA cable (not included) to connect the headphone (🎧) port on your MacBook to the audio input ports on your stereo.

Recording CD-R and CD-RW Discs

Your MacBook can record data to CD-R and CD-RW discs. If you have a SuperDrive, you can record your own digital movies on blank recordable DVD±R and DVD±RW discs. You can also record other kinds of digital data, such as backing up files onto a recordable DVD disc.

To record data on CD-R, CD-RW, DVD±R, or DVD±RW discs:

- 1 Insert a blank recordable CD or DVD (SuperDrive only) disc into the optical drive.
- 2 In the dialog that appears, enter a name for the disc and select the format you want to use.
- 3 Double-click the disc icon that appears on your desktop, and then drag files and folders to it.
- 4 Click the Burn Disc icon beside the disc name in the Finder sidebar.

You can also record music to CD or DVD discs right from your iTunes library.

To record music from your iTunes library:

- 1 Click the iTunes icon in the Dock.
- 2 Select the playlist or songs you want to record.
- 3 Insert a blank CD or DVD (SuperDrive only) disc.
- 4 At the top of the iTunes window, click Burn CD.

Important: If your battery runs down when you are burning a CD, the burn can fail and you will not be able to use the CD disc again. To prevent this, always use your power adapter when burning a CD.

If you have a SuperDrive, you can record your own digital movies on a blank recordable DVD disc. You can also record other kinds of digital data. For example, you can back up files to recordable DVD discs. With applications like iDVD, you can create your own customized digital media project, burn it on a blank recordable DVD disc, and play it on most standard DVD players.

To burn an iDVD project onto a blank DVD±R or DVD±RW disc:

- 1 Open iDVD and open your iDVD project.
- 2 Click the Burn button.
- 3 When prompted, insert a blank recordable DVD disc into the drive.
- 4 Click the Burn button again.

For more information, open iDVD and choose Help > iDVD Help.

Important: If your battery runs down when you are burning a DVD, the burn can fail and you will not be able to use the DVD disc again. To prevent this, always use your power adapter when burning a DVD.

Getting More Information

For more information about DVD Player and iTunes, see these resources:

- For information about how to use DVD Player, choose Help > DVD Player Help from within DVD Player.
- For information about how to use iTunes to record music files on a CD or DVD disc, choose Help > “iTunes and Music Store Help” from within iTunes.

Understanding Sudden Motion Sensor

Your MacBook has Sudden Motion Sensor technology, which helps protect the hard disk from damage if the computer is dropped or shaken.

Sudden Motion Sensor protection doesn't affect hard disk performance during regular MacBook operation. Occasionally, unusually strong vibrations might activate the Sudden Motion Sensor technology at a time when your MacBook is writing or reading data intensively (such as when playing or recording video or audio). If you notice dropped frames or sound elements, make sure that your MacBook is in a stable environment without vibration or abrupt movement.

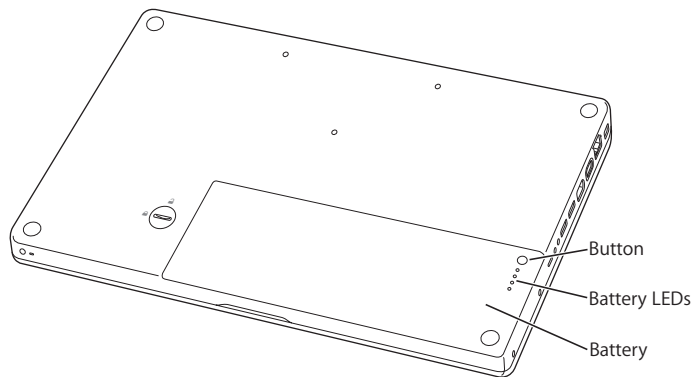
Using Your Battery

When the external power adapter is not connected, your computer draws power from its battery. The length of time that you can run your MacBook varies, depending on the applications you use and the external devices connected to your MacBook. Turning off features such as AirPort Extreme or Bluetooth wireless technology can help conserve battery charge. For more information about using your battery, see "Understanding Battery Conservation Tips" on page 77.

You can determine the charge left in your battery by looking at the battery level indicator lights on the battery itself. Press the button next to the lights, and the lights glow briefly to show how much charge is left in the battery. You can check the charge with the battery in or out of the MacBook.

If your battery runs low while you are working, attach your power adapter and let the battery recharge. To replace a low battery with a charged one when your computer isn't connected to a power adapter, shut down your computer.

Important: If only one indicator light is on, very little charge is left. If no lights are visible, the battery is completely drained and the computer will not start up unless the power adapter is connected. Plug in the power adapter to let the battery recharge, or replace the drained battery with a fully charged battery (see “Removing the Battery” on page 80).



If the battery icon in the Finder menu bar is set to show the percentage of charge, sometimes the battery won't show a full 100 percent charge when the power adapter is attached. This is normal behavior; battery life is maximized if charging is not continuously cycled on and off when the battery's charge capacity is between 95 and 100 percent. When the battery level eventually drops below 95 percent, it will charge all the way up to 100 percent.

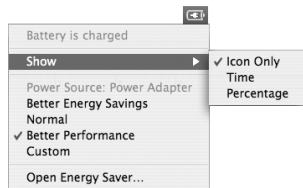
Removing and Replacing the Battery

For instructions on removing and replacing the battery, see “Removing the Battery” on page 80 and “Replacing the Battery” on page 86.

Note: Dispose of batteries according to your local environmental laws and guidelines. For more information, see “Disposal and Recycling Information” on page 132.

Charging a Battery

When the power adapter is connected to your computer, the battery recharges whether the computer is off, on, or in sleep. However, the battery recharges more quickly if the computer is off or in sleep. When the computer is on, you can monitor the battery charge level using the Battery status icon in the menu bar.



The battery charge level displayed is based on the amount of power left in the battery with the applications, peripheral devices, and system settings (display brightness, Energy Saver settings, and so on) you are currently using. To conserve battery power, close applications and disconnect peripheral devices not in use, and adjust your Energy Saver settings (see the next section).

Understanding Battery Conservation Tips

The amount of work time your MacBook battery can provide before you need to recharge depends on the applications and peripheral devices you're currently using and the steps you take to conserve power while you work.

For the best conservation of battery power, do the following:

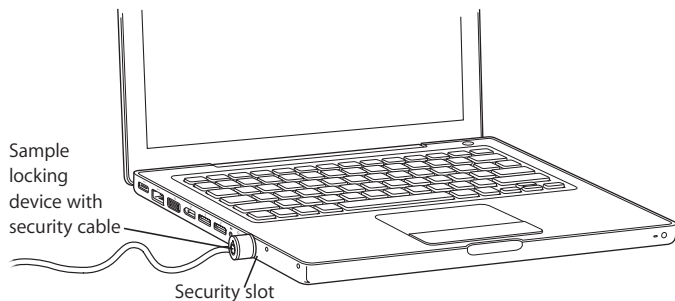
- Disconnect bus-powered USB or FireWire devices when they are not in use.
- Quit open applications that you are not using.
- Turn off AirPort or Bluetooth when they are not in use. (Use the AirPort and Bluetooth status icons in the menu bar. If these icons don't appear in the menu bar, you can turn them on in the Network and Bluetooth panes of System Preferences.)
- Remove CD and DVD discs when they are not in use.
- Reduce screen brightness using the brightness controls on the MacBook keyboard.
- Set the hard disk to spin down after a short time. In the Energy Saver pane of System Preferences, select the "Put the hard disk to sleep when possible" option.
- Set your MacBook to sleep after inactivity of five minutes or less.
- Your MacBook is preset to automatically reduce its processing speed during periods of low processing activity when using battery power, thus reducing power usage. The setting that determines this is the Normal option in the Optimization pop-up menu of the Energy Saver pane of System Preferences. During periods of high processing activity, your computer will automatically switch to a higher processing speed. To conserve the most battery life, choose Better Battery Life from the Optimization pop-up menu. However, choosing this option may affect your computer's performance. To set your computer to use its highest processing speed at all times, choose Better Performance.

Getting More Information About Your MacBook Battery

More information is available in Mac Help. Choose Help > Mac Help and search for “battery.” You can also find information about extending the life of your battery at www.apple.com/batteries/notebooks.html.

Securing Your MacBook

You can purchase a security cable lock to protect your MacBook. With a lock, you can secure your computer to a desk or table.



Getting More Information About Security Options

More information about the software security features of your MacBook, including multiple user passwords and file encryption, is available in Mac Help. Choose Help > Mac Help and search for “security” or “multiple users.”

Adding Memory to Your MacBook

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This chapter provides information and instructions for installing additional memory and for removing and replacing the battery in your MacBook.

Warning: Apple recommends that you have an Apple-certified technician install memory. Consult the service and support information that came with your computer for instructions on how to contact Apple for service. If you attempt to install memory and damage your equipment, such damage is not covered by the limited warranty on your computer.

Your computer has two memory slots that you access by removing the computer's battery. Your MacBook comes with a minimum of 512 megabytes (MB) of 667 MHz Double Data Rate (DDR2) Synchronous Dynamic Random-Access Memory (SDRAM) installed. Both memory slots can accept an SDRAM module that meets the following specifications:

- Double Data Rate Small Outline Dual Inline Memory Module (DDR2 SO-DIMM) format
- 1.25 inch or smaller
- 256 MB, 512 MB, or 1 gigabyte (GB)

- 200-pin
- PC2-5300 DDR2 667 MHz Type RAM

For best performance, fill both memory slots and install an equal memory module in each slot. The maximum amount of memory you can install in your MacBook is 2 GB, using one 1 GB DIMM in each memory slot.

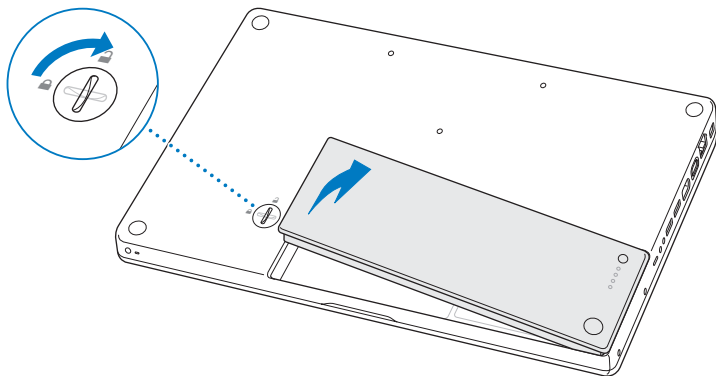
Installing Additional Memory

Installing memory involves removing and replacing your battery. The following procedure includes instructions for adding memory and replacing your battery.

Step 1: Removing the Battery

- 1 Shut down your MacBook. Disconnect the power adapter, Ethernet cable, and any other cords connected to the MacBook to prevent damaging the computer.

- 2 Turn over the MacBook and locate the battery latch. Use a coin to turn the latch a quarter turn clockwise to unlock the battery, and gently remove it.

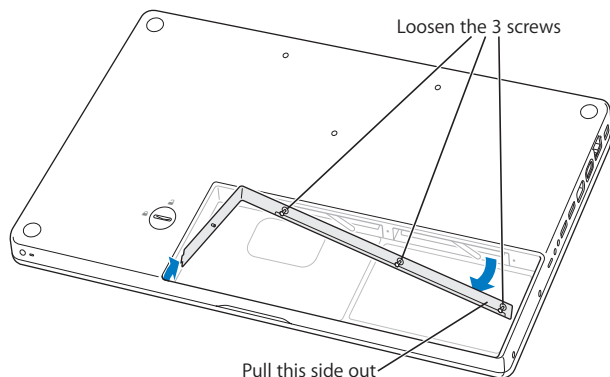


Warning: The internal components of your MacBook can be hot. If you have been using your MacBook, wait 10 minutes after shutting down to let the internal components cool before continuing.

Step 2: Installing Memory

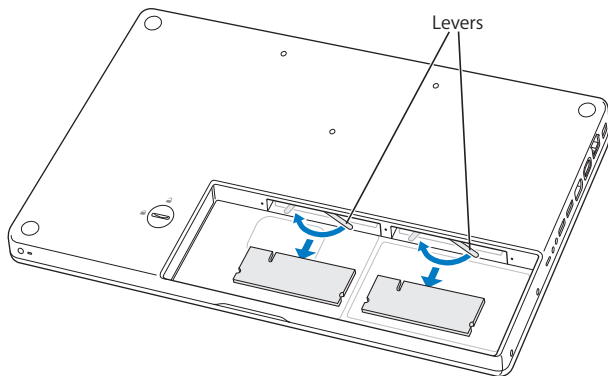
- 1 Loosen the three captive screws that secure the L-bracket, pull out the long end first to remove the bracket, and place it to the side.

Levers on the memory slots spring out when you remove the bracket.

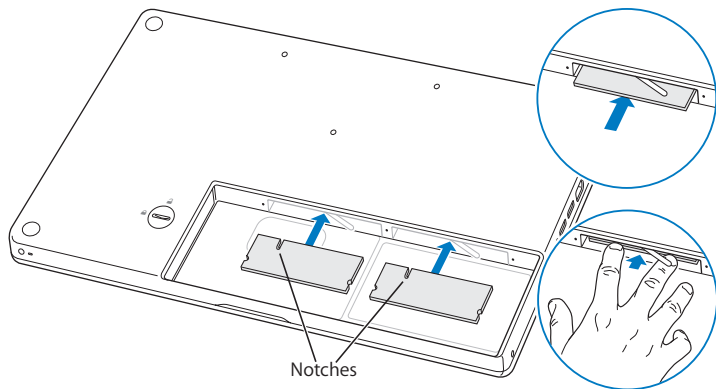


- 2 Touch a metal surface inside the computer to discharge any static electricity from your body.

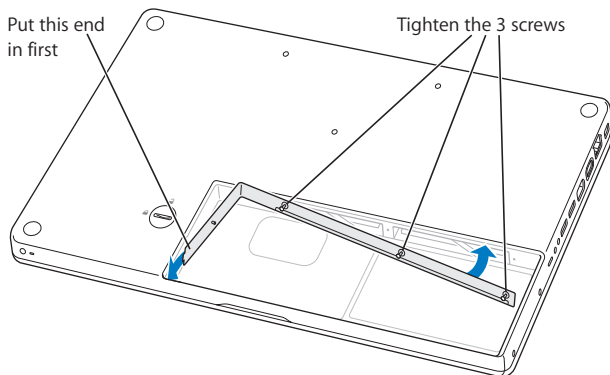
- 3 To remove a memory module installed in a slot, move the lever for the slot all the way to the left until the edge of the memory module pops out. Pull out the memory module. Repeat to remove the other memory module.



- 4 Insert the new memory modules into the slots:
- a Insert the gold edge first, with the notch on the left side.
 - b Use two fingers with firm, even pressure to push in the memory modules. You should hear a click when the memory is inserted correctly.
 - c If the levers don't return to the closed position, move them to the right to close them.

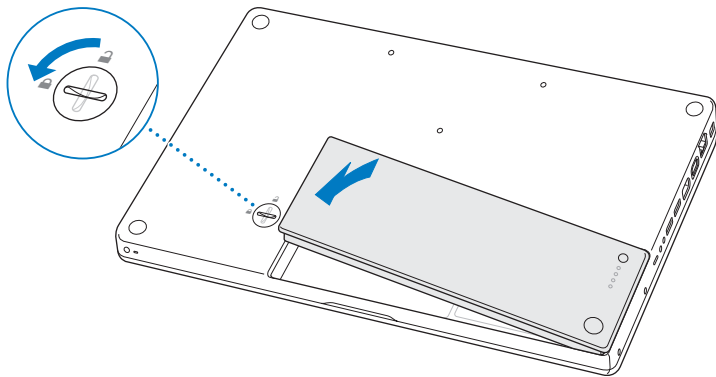


- 5 Replace the L-bracket by inserting the short end first and tightening the screws.



Step 3: Replacing the Battery

- 1 Place the right side of the battery into the battery compartment. Gently press the left side of the battery down until the battery latch locks into place.



- 2 Reconnect the power adapter and any other cables that were attached.

Making Sure Your MacBook Recognizes the New Memory

After installing additional memory in your MacBook, check whether the computer recognizes the new memory.

To check the computer's memory:

- 1 Start up your MacBook.
- 2 When you see the Mac OS desktop, choose Apple () > About This Mac.



Total memory installed
in your MacBook

For a detailed breakdown of the memory installed in your computer, open System Profiler by clicking More Info and then Memory.

If your computer doesn't recognize the memory or if it doesn't start up correctly, shut down your MacBook and check the instructions again to make sure that the memory you installed is compatible with your MacBook and that it is installed correctly. If you still have problems, remove the memory and consult the support information that came with the memory or contact the vendor who provided the memory.

If you have a problem working with your MacBook, check here first for solutions and advice.

When you have a problem working with your MacBook, there is usually a simple and quick solution. Think about the conditions that led up to the problem. Making a note of things you did before the problem occurred will help you narrow down possible causes and find the answers you need.

Make a note of the following:

- The applications you were using when the problem occurred. Problems that occur only with a specific application might indicate that the application is not compatible with the version of the Mac OS installed on your computer.
- Any software that you recently installed, especially software that added items to the System folder.
- Any hardware that you installed, such as additional memory or a peripheral.

You can also find more troubleshooting information in Mac Help and on the Apple Service & Support website at www.apple.com/support.

Problems That Prevent You from Using Your Computer

If the computer doesn't respond or the pointer doesn't move

- Press Command (⌘)-Option-Esc to force a frozen application to quit. In the dialog that appears, select the application you want to quit and click Force Quit.
Next, save your work in any open applications and restart the computer to make sure the problem is entirely cleared up.
- If you are unable to force the application to quit, press and hold the power (⏻) button for a few seconds to shut down the computer.
- If the computer still doesn't respond, try to restart it by simultaneously holding down the power (⏻) button and the Command (⌘) and Control keys.

If the problem occurs frequently, choose Help > Mac Help from the menu bar at the top of the screen. Search for the word “freeze” to get help for instances when the computer freezes or doesn't respond.

If the problem occurs only when you use a particular application, check with the application's manufacturer to see if it is compatible with your computer. If you know an application is compatible, you might need to reinstall your computer's system software.

If the computer freezes during startup, or you see a flashing question mark, or the display is dark and the sleep indicator light is glowing steadily (not in sleep)

- Wait a few seconds. If the computer doesn't start up after a brief delay, shut down your computer by pressing and holding the power (⏻) button for about 5 seconds, until the computer shuts down. Then hold down the Option key and press the power (⏻) button again to start up your computer. When your computer starts up, click the hard disk icon, and then click the right arrow. After the computer starts up, open System Preferences and click Startup Disk. Select a local Mac OS X System folder.
- If that doesn't work, try using Disk Utility to repair the disk. Insert the Mac OS X Install Disc 1 into your computer. Then restart your computer and hold down the C key as it starts up. Choose Installer > Open Disk Utility. When Disk Utility opens, follow the instructions in the First Aid pane to see if the utility can repair your disk.

If using Disk Utility doesn't help, you might need to reinstall your computer's system software. For instructions, see "Reinstalling the Software That Came with Your Computer" on page 96.

If the computer doesn't turn on or start up

- Make sure the power adapter is plugged into the computer and into a functioning power outlet. Make sure to use the power adapter that came with your computer. If the power adapter stops charging and you don't see the indicator light on the power adapter turn on when you plug in the power cord, try unplugging and replugging the power cord to reset it.

- Check whether your battery needs to be recharged. Press the small button on the battery. You should see one to four lights indicating the battery's level of charge. If only one battery level indicator light is flashing, allow the power adapter to charge the battery until at least one indicator light is glowing continuously.
- If the first two suggestions don't solve the problem, return the computer to its factory settings by disconnecting the power adapter, removing the battery, and holding down the power (⏻) button for at least 5 seconds.
- If you recently installed additional memory, make sure that it is correctly installed and that it is compatible with your computer. See whether removing it allows the computer to start up (see "Installing Memory" on page 82).
- If that doesn't work, press the power (⏻) button and immediately hold down the Command (⌘), Option, P, and R keys simultaneously until you hear the startup sound a second time.
- If you are still unable to start up your MacBook, see the service and support information that came with your MacBook for information about contacting Apple for service.

If the display suddenly goes black or your system freezes

Try restarting your computer.

- 1 Unplug any devices that are connected to your MacBook, except the power adapter.
- 2 Hold down the Command (⌘) and Control keys, and press the power (⏻) button to restart the system.
- 3 Let the battery charge to at least 10 percent before plugging in any external devices and resuming your work.

To see how much the battery has recharged, look at the Battery status menu in the menu bar.

Your display might also darken if you have energy saver features set for the battery. For more information, see “Adjusting Your Display” on page 28.

Other Problems

If you forgot your password

You can reset your administrator password and passwords for all other accounts.

- 1 Insert your Mac OS X Install Disc 1. Then restart your computer and hold down the C key as it starts up.
- 2 Choose Installer > Reset Password from the menu bar. Follow the instructions on the screen.

If you have a problem with an application

- For problems with software from a manufacturer other than Apple, contact the manufacturer. Software manufacturers often provide software updates on their websites.
- You can configure your MacBook to automatically check for and install the latest Apple software using the Software Update pane of System Preferences. For more information, choose Help > Mac Help and search for “Software Update.”

Note: Classic (or Mac OS 9) applications are not compatible with your computer and will not open.

If you have trouble using AirPort Extreme wireless communication

- Make sure the computer or network you are trying to connect to is running and has a wireless access point.
- Make sure you are within antenna range of the other computer or the network's access point by checking the AirPort (📶) status menu in the menu bar. Up to four bars appear, indicating full signal strength.

Nearby electronic devices or metal structures can interfere with wireless communication and reduce this range. Repositioning or rotating the computer might improve reception.

- Make sure you have properly configured the software according to the instructions that came with your base station or access point.
- See AirPort Help (choose Help > Mac Help, then choose Library > AirPort Help from the menu bar). Also see the instructions that came with the wireless device for more information.

If your computer's hard disk is not recording data correctly

- In a few instances, if the hard disk undergoes unusually strong vibration, the Sudden Motion Sensor might become active and cause dropped frames or unrecorded portions of sound or data when the disk is recording intensively. If this occurs, make sure that your MacBook is in a stable environment without vibration or abrupt movement.
- If vibration isn't the problem, run Disk Utility (in /Applications/Utilities/) to check the drive.

If you have trouble ejecting a disc

- Quit any applications that might be using the disc and try again. If this doesn't work, restart the computer while holding down the trackpad button.

If you suspect a problem with your computer hardware

- You can use the Apple Hardware Test application to help determine if there is a problem with one of your computer's components, such as the memory or processor.

For more information about Apple Hardware Test, see "Using Apple Hardware Test" on page 98.

If you have problems with your Internet connection

- Make sure your phone line or network cable is connected and functioning properly.
- If you are using a dial-up Internet connection, make sure that your phone cord is plugged into the Apple USB Modem (sold separately) and not the Ethernet (↔) port on the computer.
- Open the Network pane of System Preferences and verify the information entered there with your Internet service provider (ISP) or network administrator.

If you have a problem using your computer or working with the Mac OS

- If the answers to your questions are not in this manual, choose Help > Mac Help from the menu bar and search for instructions and troubleshooting information.
- Check the Apple Support website at www.apple.com/support for the latest troubleshooting information and software updates.

Reinstalling the Software That Came with Your Computer

Use the software installation discs that came with your computer to reinstall Mac OS X and any applications that came with your computer.

Important: Apple recommends that you back up the data on your hard disk before restoring software. Apple is not responsible for any lost data.

Installing Mac OS X and Applications

To install Mac OS X and the applications that came with your computer:

- 1 Back up your essential files.

Because the Erase and Install option erases your destination disk, you should back up your essential files before installing Mac OS X and other applications.

- 2 Make sure your power adapter is plugged in.
- 3 Insert the Mac OS X Install Disc 1 that came with your computer.
- 4 Double-click Install Mac OS X and Bundled Software.
- 5 Follow the onscreen instructions.
- 6 After selecting the destination disk for installation, continue following the onscreen instructions. Your computer might restart and ask you to insert the next Mac OS X installation disc.

Note: To restore Mac OS X on your computer to the original factory settings, click Options in the Select a Destination pane of the Installer, and then select Erase and Install.

After selecting the destination disk for installation, continue following the onscreen instructions for a basic installation of Mac OS X. To install custom applications, click Customize, click the triangle next to the application, and select the version you want to install.

Installing Applications

To install just the applications that came with your computer, follow the steps below. Your computer must have Mac OS X already installed.

- 1 Back up your essential files.
- 2 Make sure your power adapter is plugged in.
- 3 Insert the Mac OS X Install Disc 1 that came with your computer.
- 4 Double-click Install Bundled Software Only.
- 5 Follow the onscreen instructions.
- 6 After selecting the destination disk for installation, continue following the onscreen instructions. Your computer might restart and ask you to insert the next Mac OS X installation disc.

Note: To install iCal, iChat AV, iSync, Safari, and the iLife applications, follow the instructions in “Installing Mac OS X and Applications” on page 96. You might need to insert Mac OS X Install Disc 2, depending on the applications you choose to install.

Using Apple Hardware Test

You can use Apple Hardware Test to help determine if there is a problem with your computer's hardware.

To use Apple Hardware Test:

- 1 Disconnect all external devices from your computer except the power adapter. If you have an Ethernet cable connected, disconnect it.
- 2 Insert the Mac OS X Install Disc 1 that came with your computer.
- 3 Restart your computer and hold down the D key as it starts up.
- 4 When the Apple Hardware Test main screen appears, follow the onscreen instructions.
- 5 If Apple Hardware Test detects a problem, it displays an error code. Make a note of the error code before pursuing support options. If Apple Hardware Test doesn't detect a hardware failure, the problem may be software related.

For more information about Apple Hardware Test, see the Apple Hardware Test Read Me file on the Mac OS X Install Disc 1.

Locating Your Product Serial Number

Use one of these methods to find your computer's serial number:

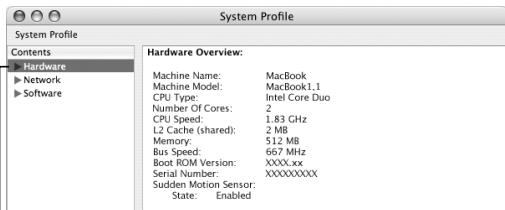
- Choose Apple (🍏) > About This Mac and then click on the version number beneath the words "Mac OS X." Clicking cycles between the Mac OS X version number, the build version, and the serial number.
- Open System Profiler (in /Applications/Utilities/) and click Hardware. You can also open System Profiler by clicking the More Info button in the About This Mac dialog.
- Remove the battery and view the serial number for your MacBook in the battery bay. For information about removing the battery, see "Removing the Battery" on page 80.

Specifications

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You can use System Profiler to find out detailed information about your MacBook.

You can find out the amount of built-in memory, hard disk size, devices connected, the product serial number, and more. To access the information in System Profiler, choose Apple () > About This Mac from the menu bar and then click More Info, or open System Profiler, located in /Applications/Utilities/.



Click the triangles in the window to show and hide information in the different categories.

Operating Environment

- *Operating temperature:* 50° F to 95° F (10° C to 35° C)
- *Altitude:* 3048 m (10,000 ft.) maximum
- *Relative humidity:* 0% to 90% noncondensing

Power Adapter

- *Input:* AC 100–240 volts (V), 50/60 hertz (Hz)
- *Output:* DC 16.5 V @ 3.65 A

Battery

- *Output:* DC 10.8 V
- *Capacity:* 55 Wh

More information is available on the Apple website at www.apple.com/macbook and www.apple.com/support.

Safety, Use, and Care Information

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Read this important MacBook safety and maintenance information.

Apple products are designed and evaluated to the latest standards for safety of information technology equipment. However, to ensure safe usage, it is important that safety instructions marked on the product and in the documentation are followed.

Understanding General Safety Instructions

Read and follow all instructions marked on the product and in this manual before operating your MacBook. Keep these instructions handy for reference by you and others.

- Set up your MacBook on a stable work surface.
- Keep your computer away from sources of liquids, such as drinks, washbasins, bathtubs, shower stalls, and so on.
- Protect your computer from dampness or wet weather, such as rain, snow, and fog.

- For your own safety and that of your equipment, always take the following precautions. Disconnect the power plug (by pulling the plug, not the cord), remove the battery, and disconnect any other cables if any of the following conditions exists:
 - You want to install memory.
 - You want to remove any parts.
 - The power cord or plug becomes frayed or otherwise damaged.
 - You spill something into the case.
 - Your computer is exposed to rain or any other excess moisture.
 - Your computer has been dropped or the case has been otherwise damaged.
 - You suspect that your computer needs service or repair.
 - You want to clean the case (use only the recommended procedure described later).
- The MacBook power adapter port contains a magnet. Do not place magnetically sensitive material or devices within 1 inch (25 mm) of this port.
- Never push objects of any kind into the MacBook ventilation openings.
- The battery in the MacBook may present a risk of fire or burn if mistreated. Do not disassemble, heat above 212° F (100° C), or incinerate. Replace the battery only with an Apple-authorized battery for this product. Use of another battery may present a risk of fire or explosion. Dispose of used batteries promptly according to your local environmental guidelines.

Setting Up Your MacBook and Power Adapter

Ensure the AC plug or AC power cord is fully inserted into the power adapter before plugging the adapter into a power outlet. For best results, connect the adapter using the AC power cord and use a grounded power outlet.

Use only the power adapter that came with your MacBook. Adapters for other electronic devices (including MacBook Pro models and other portable computers) might look similar, but they can negatively affect your computer's performance or damage your computer.

The power adapter may become hot during normal use of your MacBook. Always allow adequate ventilation around the adapter and use care when handling it during or immediately after operation. When possible, place the power adapter on a hard flat surface to dissipate the heat.

Never force a connector into a port. Check for obstructions on the port. If the connector and port don't join with reasonable ease, they probably don't match. Make sure that the connector matches the port and that you have positioned the connector correctly in relation to the port.

If debris gets into the power adapter port, it can prevent the power adapter from seating properly. Remove debris gently with a cotton swab.

Using Your MacBook

When you're using your MacBook or charging the battery, it is normal for the bottom of the case to get warm. For prolonged use, place your MacBook on a flat, stable surface.

Do not leave the bottom of your MacBook in contact with your lap or any surface of your body for extended periods. Prolonged contact with your body could cause discomfort and potentially a burn.

The bottom of the MacBook case functions as a cooling surface that transfers heat from inside the computer to the cooler air outside. The bottom of the case is raised slightly to allow airflow that keeps the unit within normal operating temperatures. In addition, warm air is vented from the slots in the back of the case.

Warning: Do not place your MacBook on a pillow or other soft material when it is on, as the material can block the airflow vents, in particular the rear vents, and cause the computer to overheat. Never place anything over your keyboard when operating in closed-lid mode. This can cause your computer to cycle on and off which might create excessive heat and drain your battery. Never turn on your computer unless all of its internal and external parts are in place. Operating the computer when it is open or missing parts can be dangerous and can damage your computer.

Carrying Your MacBook

If you carry your MacBook in a bag or briefcase, make sure that there are no loose items (such as paper clips or coins) that could accidentally get inside the computer through an opening such as the optical drive slot or get stuck inside a port. Also, keep magnetically sensitive items away from the power adapter port.

Storing Your MacBook

If you are going to store your MacBook for an extended period of time, keep it in a cool location (ideally, 71° F or 22° C) and do one of the following to preserve your MacBook battery life:

- Discharge the battery 50 percent before storing your MacBook.
- When storing your computer for longer than five months, discharge the battery to approximately 50 percent and then remove it from the MacBook. If you are storing your computer for an extended period, recharge your battery to 50 percent every six months or so.

Cleaning Your MacBook

Follow these guidelines when cleaning the outside of your computer and its components:

- Shut down your MacBook, unplug the power adapter, and remove the battery.
- Use a damp, soft, lint-free cloth to clean the computer's exterior. Avoid getting moisture in any openings. Do not spray liquid directly on the computer.
- Don't use aerosol sprays, solvents, or abrasives that might damage the finish.

Cleaning Your MacBook Display

To clean your MacBook screen, do the following:

- Shut down your MacBook, unplug the power adapter, and remove the battery.
- Dampen a clean, soft, lint-free cloth or paper with water only and wipe the screen. Do not spray liquid directly on the screen.

Avoiding Hearing Damage

Warning: Permanent hearing loss may occur if earbuds or headphones are used at high volume. You can adapt over time to a higher volume of sound that may sound normal but can be damaging to your hearing. If you experience ringing in your ears or muffled speech, stop listening and have your hearing checked. The louder the volume, the less time is required before your hearing could be affected. Hearing experts suggest that to protect your hearing:

- Limit the amount of time you use earbuds or headphones at high volume.
- Avoid turning up the volume to block out noisy surroundings.
- Turn the volume down if you can't hear people speaking near you.

Laser Information

Warning: Making adjustments or performing procedures other than those specified in your equipment's manual may result in hazardous radiation exposure.

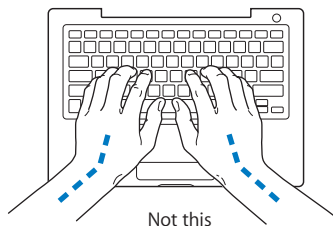
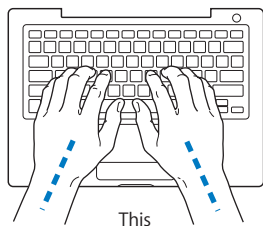
Do not attempt to disassemble the cabinet containing the laser. The laser beam used in this product is harmful to the eyes. The use of optical instruments, such as magnifying lenses, with this product increases the potential hazard to your eyes. For your safety, have this equipment serviced only by an Apple-authorized service provider.

Understanding Ergonomics

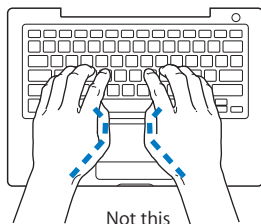
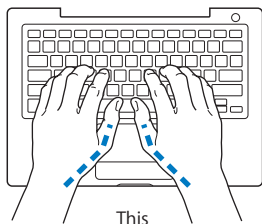
Here are some tips for setting up a healthy work environment.

Keyboard and Trackpad

When you use the keyboard and trackpad, your shoulders should be relaxed. Your upper arm and forearm should form an angle that is slightly greater than a right angle, with your wrist and hand in roughly a straight line.



Use a light touch when typing or using the trackpad and keep your hands and fingers relaxed. Avoid rolling your thumbs under your palms.



Change hand positions often to avoid fatigue. Some computer users might develop discomfort in their hands, wrists, or arms after intensive work without breaks. If you begin to develop chronic pain or discomfort in your hands, wrists, or arms, consult a qualified health specialist.

Chair

An adjustable chair that provides firm, comfortable support is best. Adjust the height of the chair so your thighs are horizontal and your feet are flat on the floor. The back of the chair should support your lower back (lumbar region). Follow the manufacturer's instructions for adjusting the backrest to fit your body properly.

You might have to raise your chair so that your forearms and hands are at the proper angle to the keyboard. If this makes it impossible to rest your feet flat on the floor, you can use a footrest with adjustable height and tilt to make up for any gap between the floor and your feet. Or you can lower the desktop to eliminate the need for a footrest. Another option is to use a desk with a keyboard tray that's lower than the regular work surface.

External Mouse

If you use an external mouse, position the mouse at the same height as your keyboard and within a comfortable reach.

Built-in Display

Adjust the angle of the display to minimize glare and reflections from overhead lights and windows. Do not force the display if you meet resistance. The display is not meant to open past 130 degrees.

You can adjust the brightness of the screen when you take the computer from one work location to another, or if the lighting in your work area changes.

Getting More Information

Go to www.apple.com/about/ergonomics.

Learning About Apple and the Environment

Apple Computer, Inc. recognizes its responsibility to minimize the environmental impacts of its operations and products. For more information, go to www.apple.com/environment/summary.html.

Connecting to the Internet

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You can use your computer to browse the World Wide Web, send email to friends and family, and chat in real time over the Internet. Use this information to help you connect to the Internet.

When you first start up Mac OS X, Setup Assistant helps you enter your Internet configuration information. If you didn't use Setup Assistant to configure your Internet connection, you can use Network Setup Assistant later (see "Using Network Setup Assistant to Connect" on page 117). If you choose not to use Network Setup Assistant, you can use the information in this appendix to set up your connection manually.

There are four kinds of Internet connections:

- **High-speed DSL or cable modem connection:** Your computer is plugged into a special modem you get from an ISP using an Ethernet cable.
- **Wireless connection:** Your computer is connected wirelessly using an AirPort Extreme Base Station, AirPort Express, or other 802.11b or 802.11g access point.
- **Local area network (LAN):** Your computer is plugged into a LAN using an Ethernet cable. This type of connection is usually used in the workplace.

- **Dial-up connection:** Your computer is connected to an external modem that is plugged into a phone wall jack using a phone cable.

Before you connect to the Internet:

- 1 Set up an account with an Internet service provider (ISP).
- 2 Gather the connection information you need from your ISP or network administrator. See the next section, “Gathering the Information You Need,” to find out what information to get for each type of connection. You can write the information directly on the next few pages, and then enter it in Setup Assistant.

If another computer in the same location is already connected to the Internet, you might be able to use its settings.

To find the settings on a Mac OS X computer:

- Open the Network pane of System Preferences.
- Choose your connection method from the Show pop-up menu.
- Copy the information for your configuration.

To find the settings on a Windows computer:

The connection information on a Windows computer resides in two places.

- *To find the IP address and subnet mask*, open the “Network and Internet Connections” control panel.
- *To find user account information*, open the User Accounts control panel.

- 3 If you are using an external modem such as the Apple USB Modem (sold separately), plug it into a USB port on your MacBook, and then use a phone cord (not included) to connect the modem to a phone wall jack. If you are using a DSL or cable modem, follow the instructions that came with the modem to connect it to your computer.
- 4 Turn on your computer and enter information in Setup Assistant to configure your Internet connection.

Note: If you already started your computer and didn't use Setup Assistant to configure your Internet connection, see "Using Network Setup Assistant to Connect" on page 117.

Gathering the Information You Need

You can write the information you get from your ISP, your network administrator, or your other computer on these pages, and then enter it in Network Setup Assistant.

To set up a phone dial-up connection, gather the following information:

- Service provider name
- User or account name
- Password
- ISP phone number
- Alternate phone number
- Dialing prefix to obtain an outside line

To set up a DSL modem, cable modem, LAN, or AirPort Extreme wireless connection, choose your connection method (ask your system administrator or your ISP, if you don't know):

- Manually
- Using DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol) with a manual address
- Using DHCP
- Using BootP
- PPP (Point-to-Point Protocol)

If you're unsure which method to use, "Using DHCP" might be a good choice, because the network supplies most of the required information for you automatically.

If you select "Manually" or "Using DHCP with a manual address," gather the following:

- IP address
- Subnet mask
- Router address

Note: If you select "Using DHCP with a manual address," you don't need a subnet mask or router address.

If you select "Using DHCP," gather the following optional information (ask your ISP if you need it):

- DHCP client ID
- DNS servers

If you select “PPPoE” (for Point-to-Point Protocol over Ethernet connections), gather the following:

- Service provider
- Account name
- Password
- PPPoE service name

The information below is optional. Ask your ISP or system administrator if you need it.

- DNS servers
- Domain name
- Proxy server

Entering Your Information

After gathering your specific setup information from your ISP or network administrator, you can use Network Setup Assistant to connect or enter the information manually.

Using Network Setup Assistant to Connect

If you didn’t use Setup Assistant to configure your Internet settings when you first started up your MacBook, you can use Network Setup Assistant at any time to configure your Internet connection or to change your settings.

To use Network Assistant:

- 1 Choose Apple (🍏) > System Preferences.
- 2 Click Network and then click “Assist me.”
- 3 Click Assistant to open Network Assistant.

4 Follow the onscreen instructions.

More information about setting up an Internet connection is available in Mac Help. Choose Help > Mac Help and search for “connecting to the Internet.”

Manually Entering Information

To enter your information manually:

- 1 Open System Preferences > Network.
- 2 Select from the Show pop-up menu and set options according to the type of connection you want to make:
 - Cable modem, DSL modem, or LAN connection using one of these configurations:
 - **Manually:** With a manual configuration, your ISP or network administrator provides a static IP address and other information that you enter in Network preferences.
 - **Using Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP):** With a DHCP configuration, the DHCP server automatically enters the information for you.
 - **Using Point-to-Point Protocol over Ethernet (PPPoE):** If you use a DSL modem and need a user name and password to connect to the Internet, check with your ISP to determine if you should connect using PPPoE.
 - Dial-up external modem with Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP) connection. Enter your account name and password, telephone number, and other information.
 - AirPort Extreme wireless connection: You can configure your AirPort Extreme network and Internet connection using AirPort Setup Assistant, located in the /Applications/Utilities/ folder.
- 3 If you need further help, click “Assist me”.

Troubleshooting Your Connection

If you have trouble with your Internet connection, you can try the steps in this section for your type of connection or you can use Network Diagnostics.

To use Network Diagnostics:

- 1 Choose Apple (🍏) > System Preferences.
- 2 Click Network and then click “Assist me.”
- 3 Click Diagnostics to open Network Diagnostics.
- 4 Follow the onscreen instructions.

If Network Diagnostics can't resolve the problem, there may be a problem with the Internet service provider (ISP) you are trying to connect to, with an external device you are using to connect to your ISP, or with the server you are trying to access. You can also try the following steps.

Cable Modem, DSL Modem, and LAN Internet Connections

If you can't connect to the Internet using your cable modem, DSL modem, or local area network (LAN), see the following instructions.

Important: Instructions that refer to modems do not apply to LAN users. LAN users may have hubs, switches, routers, or connection pods that cable modem and DSL modem users do not. LAN users should contact their network administrator rather than an ISP.

Check the cables and power supplies

Make sure all modem cables are firmly plugged in, including the modem power cord, the cable from the modem to the computer, and the cable from the modem to the wall jack. Check the cables and power supplies to Ethernet hubs and routers.

Turn the modem off and on and reset the modem hardware

Cycle the power on your DSL or cable modem by turning it off for a few minutes and then turning it back on. Some ISPs recommend that you unplug the modem's power cord. If your modem has a reset button, you can press it either before or after turning the modem off and on again.

PPPoE Connections

If you are unable to connect to your ISP using PPPoE, first check the cables and power supplies, and then turn the modem off and on again to reset the modem hardware. Next, check your settings in the Network pane of System Preferences.

To check System Preferences settings:

- 1 Choose Apple (🍏) > System Preferences from the menu bar.
- 2 Click Network.
- 3 Choose Network Port Configurations from the Show pop-up menu.
- 4 Drag Built-in Ethernet to the top of the Port Configurations list.
- 5 Choose Built-in Ethernet from the Show pop-up menu.
- 6 Click PPPoE.
- 7 Select "Connect using PPPoE."
- 8 Check the Account Name field to make sure you entered the correct information from your ISP.
- 9 If you chose to save your password, retype it to make sure it is correct.
- 10 Click TCP/IP. Make sure you've entered the correct information from your ISP in this pane.
- 11 Click Apply Now.

Network Connections

If you have two or more computers attempting to share an Internet connection, make sure that your network is set up properly. You need to know if your ISP provides only one IP address or if it provides multiple IP addresses, one for each computer.

If only one IP address is used, you must have a router capable of sharing the connection, also known as network address translation (NAT) or “IP masquerading.” For setup information, check the documentation provided with your router or ask the person who set up your network. The AirPort Extreme Base Station can be used to share one IP address among multiple computers. For information about using the AirPort Extreme Base Station, check the onscreen help or visit the Apple AirPort website at www.apple.com/airportextreme.

If you can't resolve the issue using these steps, contact your ISP.

Top Ten Questions

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Appendix

Do you have a question? Here are the top ten questions commonly asked by new MacBook users.

My Internet connection doesn't seem to be working. How do I set it up?

There are different types of Internet connections. For example, you can connect using a modem, a DSL connection, a wireless AirPort connection, or an Ethernet network. You need to supply Mac OS X with specific information about your connection type, Internet service provider, or network. The first step in configuring your connection is gathering the information needed for your connection type. To find out what information you need and for instructions on how to configure your connection type, see Appendix C, "Connecting to the Internet," on page 113. Your computer also has the Setup Assistant application to help walk you through setting up an Internet connection. Open System Preferences and click Network. Click the "Assist me" button to open Network Setup Assistant.

How do I set up my printer? Is it compatible with my MacBook?

Begin by connecting your printer and installing any software according to the instructions that came with your printer. Next, open System Preferences and click the Print & Fax icon. Use the Print & Fax pane to configure your MacBook to access the printer. You'll find lots of information about setting up printers in Mac Help (choose Help > Mac Help from the menu bar and search for "printer"). Also see "Connecting to a Printer" on page 48.

If your printer isn't working as expected, check the manufacturer's website for updated print drivers. Often the latest printer software is available for downloading.

If you sent a print job to your printer but it's not printing, check to see if the print job is stopped or on hold by clicking the printer icon in the Dock. (If no icon appears in the Dock, open Printer Setup Utility in the /Applications/Utilities/ folder and double-click the printer's name.) If the window for the printer says "Job Stopped," click the Start Jobs button. If "Hold" appears beside the job name, resume printing by selecting the job name and clicking Resume. If a print job has stopped printing because of a technical error, you can delete the faulty job by selecting the job and clicking Delete. You can then try printing the job again.

How does the Mac OS X interface work?

Users new to Mac OS X often have questions about how to carry out certain tasks. Your best source for Mac OS X information is Mac Help. You'll find introductory explanations for new users, users switching from Windows computers, and users upgrading from Mac OS 9. Open Mac Help by choosing Help > Mac Help in the menu bar at the top of your screen. Browse the new Mac OS X user information listed there. Many of the basic tasks users are interested in involve the Finder, so try searching for "Finder," too.

How do I make my MacBook battery last longer?

Remember to calibrate your battery when you first use it (see “Calibrating Your Battery” on page 23). You can conserve battery power by using the Energy Saver preference pane to specify how quickly the computer should go to sleep or dim the display. Open System Preferences and click the Energy Saver icon. Choose settings that are optimized for your type of usage. Using peripheral devices such as hard disk drives, which get power from your computer, can also shorten the amount of time your battery lasts. You can conserve battery power by disconnecting such devices. You can also purchase an additional battery that you can swap into your computer when power gets low. For more information about conserving battery power, see “Understanding Battery Conservation Tips” on page 77.

I put a disc in my optical drive, but nothing happened. How do I know if the disc is compatible with my optical drive?

Press the Media Eject (⏏) key to eject the disc. Apple slot-loading optical drives support only round 12 cm discs. Nonstandard discs and discs with noncircular shapes do not work in the optical drive. For more information about nonstandard discs, go to the Apple Service & Support website at www.apple.com/support and search for “nonstandard discs.”

Warning: Inserting a nonstandard disc into the optical drive can damage the drive.

How do I connect an external display, TV, or projector to my MacBook?

- 1 Turn on the external display or projector.
- 2 Make sure the display cable is connected to the external projector or display.

- 3 Connect the display cable to your MacBook using the appropriate cable:
 - a If you're connecting to an external device with a DVI connection, use the Apple Mini-DVI to DVI Adapter, sold separately.
 - b If you're connecting to an external device with a VGA connection, use the Apple Mini-DVI to VGA Adapter, sold separately.
 - c If you're connecting to an external device with an S-video connection, use the Apple Mini-DVI to Video Adapter, sold separately.

Your MacBook automatically detects the external display, TV, or projector.

- 4 Adjust the resolution on the external display by using the Displays pane of System Preferences or the Displays status menu in the menu bar.

For more information about connecting displays and other devices, see “Using External Video Support” on page 65.

I forgot my password. How do I reset it?

To reset your password, start up from the software installation disc that came with your computer. After the installer opens, choose Installer > Reset Password from the menu bar. Follow the instructions on the screen.

I hear a fan coming on and my MacBook seems to get quite warm. Is that OK?

As your MacBook operates, it's designed to keep itself within safe thermal limits. The fan comes on and stays on to keep the MacBook operating at normal temperatures. The bottom of your MacBook can become warm because it's designed to let heat dissipate through the case. This is normal. For more information, see “Using Your MacBook” on page 106.

An application or Mac OS X doesn't seem to be working correctly. Do I need to reinstall Mac OS X?

The process of troubleshooting a problem requires that you answer several questions, such as whether the problem always happens with a specific application, is related to your operating system, or is a result of faulty hardware. Before you reinstall, see “Troubleshooting” on page 89 to help analyze the problem. Apple also provides many technical explanations and advice for solving problems on the Apple Service & Support website at www.apple.com/support. If you determine that you must reinstall Mac OS X, you'll find instructions in “Reinstalling the Software That Came with Your Computer” on page 96.

I installed an application on my MacBook, but it doesn't seem to be working. Where can I go for help?

Check the documentation that came with the application for information about how to get support. Often manufacturers are aware of common problems that might occur with their applications and provide solutions and updates for immediate use. If your application is not an Apple product, you'll need to contact the manufacturer directly for the best support.