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Hiding a Process (Making a Backgrounded App)



To hide an application process in OS X 10.2 and earlier, open the Info.plist file in the Contents folder of the application package. Add this to the <dict> section (it doesn't seem to matter where):

```
<key>NSBGOnly</key>
<string>1</string>
```

In OS X 10.3 and later, add this instead:

```
<key>LSUIElement</key>
<string>1</string>
```

Doing this will remove the process from the Dock, and from any menus that list active (visible) processes. To show it again, you can either put in a 0 instead of a 1 for the <key>, or you can remove the whole thing.

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