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General

☑ **Launch BetterTouchTool on startup**
☑ **Enable automatic update checking**
☑ Allow crash log and anonymized usage data collection
☑ Silently download & install updates on restart

Even if disabled, BTT will regulary check for security relevant updates!

Magic Mouse

Gesture sensitivity: **Easier to trigger** ———————————————— **Harder to trigger**

This slider will change the settings you made in the advanced preferences!

Set mouse speed ———————————————————————————

Trackpad & Magic Trackpad

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This slider will change the settings you made in the advanced preferences!

Force Touch sensitivity & feedback can be changed in the Advanced Trackpad Settings.

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Set trackpad speed ———————————————————————————

Window Snapping

☑ Enable window snapping

Language & Region

Language: System Language (if available) ⇅

Region Settings ⇅

Changes require restart: Restart BTT

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☐ Show Menubar Icon   **(If you hide the icon you can access the preferences by starting BTT again)**

☐ Show Dock Icon while running (may require restart)

Font Sizes in the Main User Interface:

Increase / Decrease Base Font Size by: [＿＿＿＿] pt   [Restart BTT to Apply Changes]

App Side-Bar:

[Use Default Dark Translucent Side-Bar ⇕]

Language & Region

Language: [System Language (if available) ⇕]

Region Settings [⇕]

[Restart BTT to Apply Changes]

Various things:

☑ Use new BetterTouchTool UI as default

☐ Only show recently used colors in side-bar color picker dropdown

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☐ Enable Touch Bar support (disabling requires you to restart BTT)

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☐ **Enable Notch Bar Support (requires macOS 12 or later)**

☑ **Toggle mode by scrolling up/down**
Switch between widget and menubar mode by scrolling up / down on the Notch Bar.
Alternatively use the predefined action "Toggle Notch Bar Mode" which you can assign to any BTT trigger.

| Notch Bar Screen | Standard Screens without Notch | Advanced |

Notch Bar Widget Mode:

☐ Show original system status icons in menubar
If disabled, you can use the Status Item widget in BTT to access some or all of your status items

☑ Show mini menubar on the bottom left

☐ Hide Left Fixed Button / Widget Container   ☐ Hide Right Scrollable Button / Widget Container
☐ Hide Left Scrollable Button / Widget Container   ☐ Hide Rigth Fixed Button / Widget Container

Notch Bar Menubar Mode
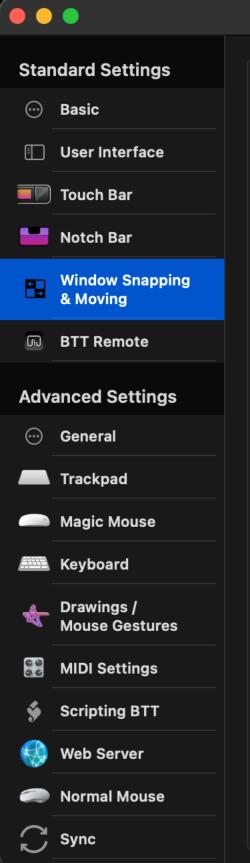
☑ Show original system status icons in menubar
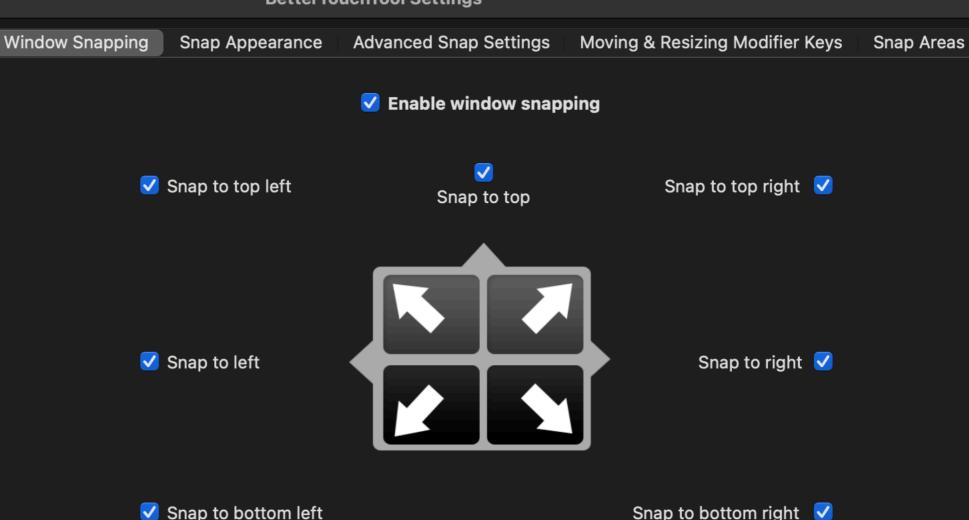If disabled, you can use the Status Item widget in BTT to access some or all of your status items

☑ Hide Left Fixed Button / Widget Container   ☑ Hide Right Scrollable Button / Widget Container
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Documentation is available on: https://docs.folivora.ai/docs/1200_notch_bar.html

Sidebar

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Diagram

| Fixed Left | Scrollable Left | Notch | Scrollable Right | Fixed Right |

Mini Menubar Area   Mini Status Icon Area

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☑ **Enable window snapping**

☑ Snap to top left   ☑ Snap to top   Snap to top right ☑

☑ Snap to left   Snap to right ☑

☑ Snap to bottom left   Snap to bottom right ☑

Instructions: in order to snap a window to one of the above mentioned positions click on its titlebar and drag it to the screen's edges. As soon as the mouse cursor touches the corners or edges of the screen a graphic will show you how the window will be resized after you release the drag.
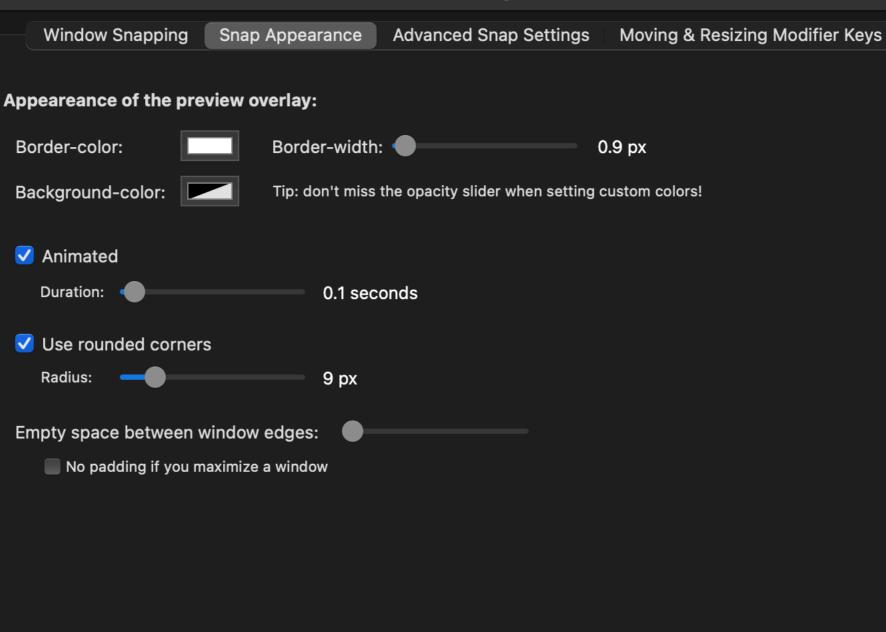
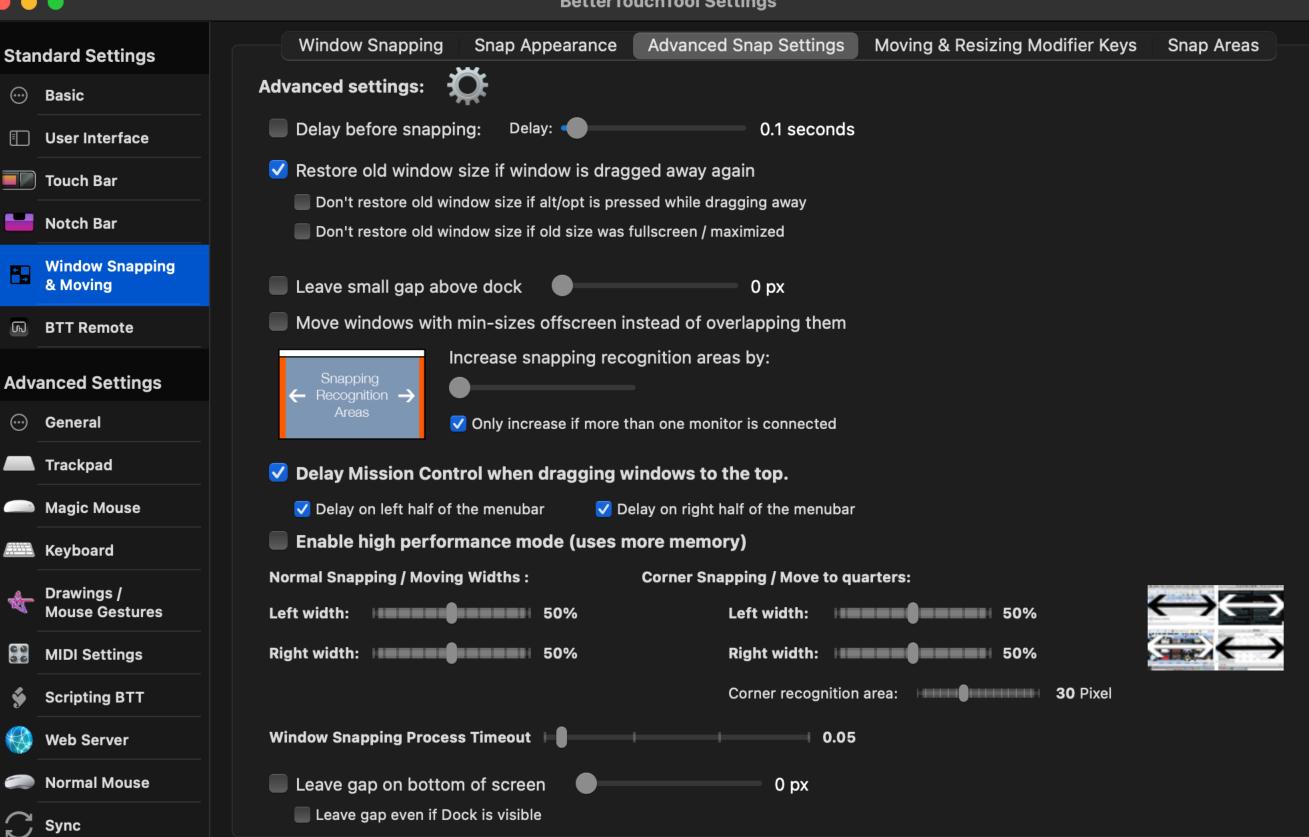Using BetterTouchTool and Spaces / Mission Control at the same time?

Advanced: While using predefined actions start/stop moving:

☑ Left edge: resize to left half   ☑ Top edge: maximize

☑ Right edge: resize to right half   ☑ Corners: resize to quarters
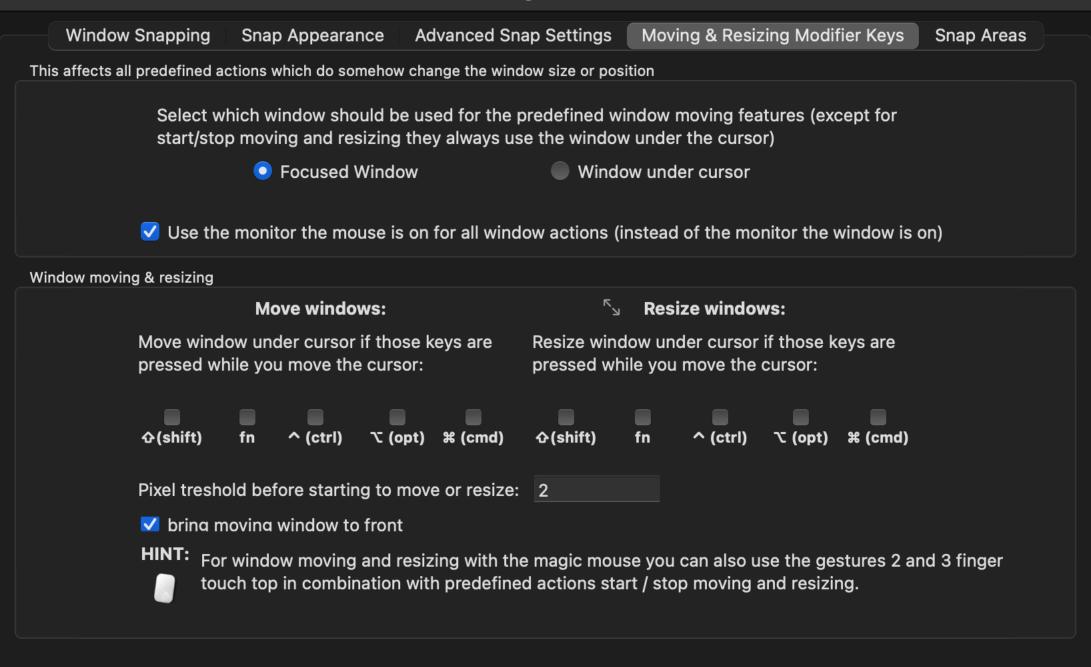
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| Window Snapping | Snap Appearance | Advanced Snap Settings | Moving & Resizing Modifier Keys | Snap Areas |

Appeareance of the preview overlay:

Border-color: [   ]   Border-width: ●———————————— 0.9 px

Background-color: [◣   ]   Tip: don't miss the opacity slider when setting custom colors!

☑ Animated

Duration: ●————————— 0.1 seconds

☑ Use rounded corners

Radius: ●———————— 9 px

Empty space between window edges: ●——————————————

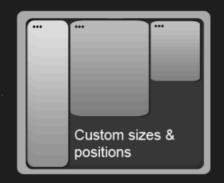☐ No padding if you maximize a window

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Advanced settings: ⚙️

☐ Delay before snapping: Delay: ———•——————————— **0.1 seconds**

☑ Restore old window size if window is dragged away again
   ☐ Don't restore old window size if alt/opt is pressed while dragging away
   ☐ Don't restore old window size if old size was fullscreen / maximized

☐ Leave small gap above dock   •——————————— **0 px**

☐ Move windows with min-sizes offscreen instead of overlapping them

Snapping Recognition Areas   ← →

Increase snapping recognition areas by:
•——————————————————————
☑ Only increase if more than one monitor is connected

☑ **Delay Mission Control when dragging windows to the top.**
   ☑ Delay on left half of the menubar   ☑ Delay on right half of the menubar

☐ **Enable high performance mode (uses more memory)**

Normal Snapping / Moving Widths :

Left width: ——————•—————— **50%**

Right width: ——————•—————— **50%**

Corner Snapping / Move to quarters:

Left width: ——————•—————— **50%**

Right width: ——————•—————— **50%**

Corner recognition area: ————•———— **30 Pixel**

Window Snapping Process Timeout   —•———————————————— **0.05**

☐ Leave gap on bottom of screen   •——————————— **0 px**
   ☐ Leave gap even if Dock is visible

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This affects all predefined actions which do somehow change the window size or position

Select which window should be used for the predefined window moving features (except for start/stop moving and resizing they always use the window under the cursor)

◉ Focused Window   ◯ Window under cursor

☑ Use the monitor the mouse is on for all window actions (instead of the monitor the window is on)

Window moving & resizing

Move windows: ⤡ **Resize windows:**

Move window under cursor if those keys are pressed while you move the cursor:

Resize window under cursor if those keys are pressed while you move the cursor:

☐   ☐   ☐   ☐   ☐
⇧(shift)   fn   ^ (ctrl)   ⌥ (opt)   ⌘ (cmd)

☐   ☐   ☐   ☐   ☐
⇧(shift)   fn   ^ (ctrl)   ⌥ (opt)   ⌘ (cmd)

Pixel treshold before starting to move or resize: 2

☑ bring moving window to front

HINT: For window moving and resizing with the magic mouse you can also use the gestures 2 and 3 finger touch top in combination with predefined actions start / stop moving and resizing.

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User-customizable Snap Areas are a new, advanced, feature in BetterTouchTool. It allows you to create additional areas that snap to a specific position & size if a window is dragged onto them. In order to create new Snap Areas the BetterTouchTool menubar icon has to be visible.

Custom sizes & positions

1.) Resize an arbitrary window on your screen to the position & size where you want the new Snap Area to snap to later

2.) Click on the BetterSnapTool menubar icon and select "Snap Areas", then select "Create New Snap Area (Use Active Window As Template)"

3.) BetterSnapTool will open a view which shows the newly created Snap Area and highlights the position where it will snap to later. You can now edit it. (e.g. move it to the edges of the screen, change the color etc.)

4.) After you have finished editing your Snap Area just press cmd+w or click the shown icon to finish the whole process.

For a more complete documentation & introductory video click here
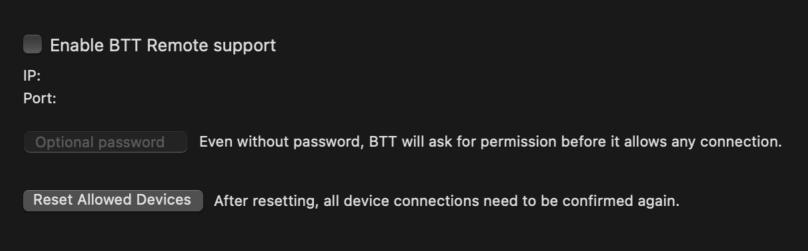
☐ Disable the Snap Area feature (setting will become active after restarting BetterTouchTool)

☑ If checked BetterTouchTool will use a bit more memory, but Snap Areas show up faster.

☐ Allow Snap Areas to snap if drag was started inside of a snap area

Import existing Snap Areas from BetterSnapTool (experimental)   Reset all Snap Areas

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☐ Enable BTT Remote support

IP:
Port:

Optional password   Even without password, BTT will ask for permission before it allows any connection.

Reset Allowed Devices   After resetting, all device connections need to be confirmed again.

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General Stuff

Disable BetterTouchTool while holding: ☐ ⇧(shift)   ☐ fn   ☐ ^ (ctrl)   ☐ ⌥ (opt)   ☐ ⌘ (cmd)

☐ Restart BTT after wake from sleep

Updates

☑ **Enable automatic update checking**   – Even if disabled, BTT will regulary check for security relevant updates!

☐ Update to alpha versions too

☑ Silently download & install updates when BetterTouchTool is restarted

Process Priority Helper Tool (Optional)

BetterTouchTool needs to listen to and intercepts input events (e.g. Touch, Mouse, Keyboard etc.). If your system is busy due to other CPU demanding tasks, BTT may not be able to do that fast enough. This can result in sluggish scrolling, lost keyboard keys or similar. By installing the optional process priority helper tool, BTT's process will automatically get slightly higher priority than other processes running on your system, which can help to workaround these issues. This will not increase CPU usage.

Install Process Priority Helper Tool   Uninstall Process Priority Helper Tool

Installing the helper tool will require admin priviledges and therefore ask for your password.

Refresh Process Status   Process currently has normal priority (helper tool not active)