

Black out sensitive words from your PDFs.

Install

- 1 Double-click Obscura.dmg to open it.
- 2 Drag the Obscura icon into your Applications folder.
- 3 Eject the disk image (drag it to Trash, or click the eject icon).

Opening for the first time

Because Obscura isn't from the Mac App Store, macOS will block it the first time.

This is normal. You only need to do this once:

1. **Right-click** (or Control-click) the Obscura app in Applications.
2. **Click "Open"** in the menu that appears.
3. **Click "Open"** again in the security dialog.

After this, Obscura opens normally with a regular double-click.

Quick start

The app guides you through three steps:

- 1 **Add your words** Type the words or phrases you want blacked out, one per line.
- 2 **Add your PDFs** Drag and drop files, or click Browse to select them.
- 3 **Redact** Click the button and Obscura does the rest — then verify the results.

Your redacted files appear in the project's output folder. Click "Open output folder" after a run to find them.

If something goes wrong

In the app, click "View logs" at the bottom of the project list screen.

This opens a log file with detailed information about what happened.

You can also find the log file directly at:

`~/Library/Logs/Obscura/obscura.log`

Share this file if you need to report a problem.