

# Mac OS X Server Installer



To install Mac OS X Server, click Continue, and then follow the onscreen instructions.

To quit, choose Quit Installer from the Installer menu and click Startup Disk.

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## System requirements

You can install this version of Mac OS X Server on any Macintosh server or desktop computer with:

- an Intel or PowerPC G5 or G4 (867MHz or faster) processor
- at least 1GB of RAM
- at least 20GB of available disk space

## Starting installation

### Updating your computer's firmware

You may need to update your computer's firmware. If so, you must do it before you install Mac OS X Server. If you see a message that you need to update your computer's firmware after you start the Installer, quit the Installer and restart your computer using your current

startup disk.

To find firmware updates for your computer, open the Apple Software Updates website:

- [www.apple.com/support/downloads/](http://www.apple.com/support/downloads/)

### **Installing Mac OS X Server**

To start installing Mac OS X Server, insert the Mac OS X Server install disc, double-click the Install Mac OS X Server icon, and follow the instructions displayed.

### **Quitting the Installer**

If you need to quit the Installer before you click Install in the Easy Install or Custom Install pane, choose Quit from the Installer application menu, then click Startup Disk to select a startup disk for your computer.

If you have already clicked Install, wait until installation finishes.

## **Advice about installing Mac OS X Server**

### **Installing without a router**

During the setup of Mac OS X Server you will be prompted to enter a network router address. If you do not have a router in your network, enter the IP address of the server as the router address.

### **Erasing and formatting your disk**

When you install Mac OS X Server, you can choose to erase the destination disk you select. In the "Select a Destination" pane of the Installer, click the Options button. Select Erase and Install and then choose the Mac OS Extended (Journaled) format. Be sure you have backed up your files before you erase the disk.

You can also divide your hard disk into several partitions before you install Mac OS X Server. Choose Open Disk Utility from the Utilities menu and click Partition.

**Important** Partitioning the disk erases the entire disk, so be sure to back up your files first.

### **If you have problems starting up**

If you cannot start up your computer after you install Mac OS X Server, insert the Mac OS X Server disc and restart your computer while pressing the C key. Choose Open Disk Utility from the Utilities menu, then click First Aid to repair the disk and disk permissions.

If you have problems starting up your computer and you have devices connected to your computer, such as FireWire drives, USB printers, or external displays, try disconnecting them before starting up again.

## **Advice about hardware compatibility**

### **Installing on a computer with a third-party SCSI card**

If you have a third-party SCSI card installed in your computer and you cannot start up Mac OS X Server, attach a disk or SCSI terminator to one of the card's ports. If you continue to have problems, try removing the card. Contact the manufacturer of the card for more information about using the card with Mac OS X Server.

### **Installing on a computer with a third-party video card**

If you have a third-party video card installed in your computer, you may need to remove it before you install Mac OS X Server. Contact the manufacturer of the card for more information about using the card with Mac OS X Server.

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