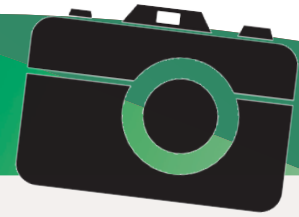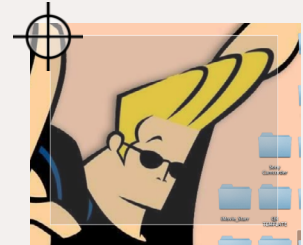# Mac OS X
Capture Screenshots

In Mac OS X, you can use keyboard shortcuts to quickly capture screenshots in the PNG (Portable Network Graphics) image format. For timed screenshots or if you need to include a cursor, use the Apple utility Grab, located in the Applications > Utilities folder. Screenshots produced with Grab are saved as TIFF files.

Capture screenshots using keyboard shortcuts

Note: Screenshots are automatically saved to your desktop. To copy a screenshot to the clipboard instead, add **Control** to the keyboard shortcut.
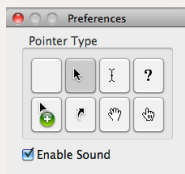
1. Capture the entire desktop: Press Command-Shift-3

2. Capture selected areas of the desktop: Press Command-Shift-4 Click and drag the cross-hair cursor to select the area you want to capture, then release mouse button to take the screenshot.

3. Capture a specific application window: Press Command-Shift-4, then press Space-bar**.** The cursor turns into a camera. Move the cursor/camera over the application window you want to capture and click the mouse button.

Capture screenshots using Grab

1. Click on [scissors icon] in the dock to open Grab (or go to the Applications > Utilities folder).

2. To **include a cursor** in your screenshot, open Preferences in the Grab menu and select a pointer type.

3. Select Capture from the Grab menu and choose a capture mode: Selection, Window, Screen, Timed Screen. A window with capture instructions automatically appears.