

## Summary

The article describes how to download older versions of macOS from the Mac App Store. It provides instructions on how to find and download the installer for specific versions of macOS, including Sonoma, Ventura, Monterey, Big Sur, Catalina, Mojave, High Sierra, El Capitan, Yosemite, Mountain Lion, Lion, and Snow Leopard.

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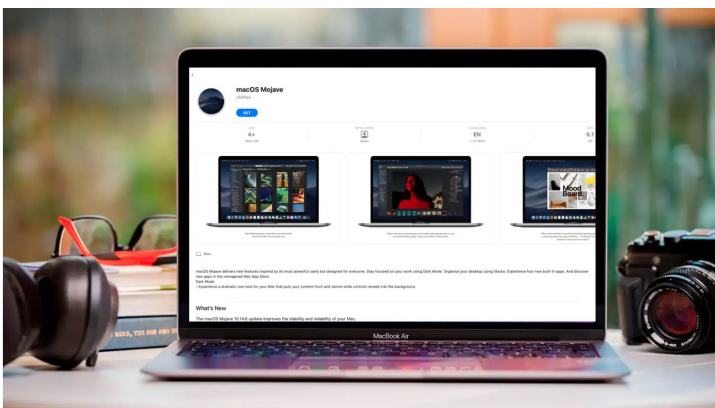
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Here's how to download old and obsolete versions of macOS and Mac OS X going all the way back to Mac OS X 10.7 Lion.

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There are a few reasons why you might want to download and install an old version of macOS or Mac OS X. Perhaps you're relying on software you have discovered doesn't work properly in the latest version. Perhaps your Mac has run slowly ever since you updated. Or maybe you just don't like the new version of macOS that you have installed. Either way, you have questions and we have answers.

In this article, we will cover how to get old versions of macOS, including Sequoia, Sonoma, Ventura, Monterey, Big Sur, Catalina, Mojave, El Capitan, Sierra, Yosemite, and even old versions of Mac OS X. We explain how to get hold of the relevant installer files so that you can install the software on your Mac.