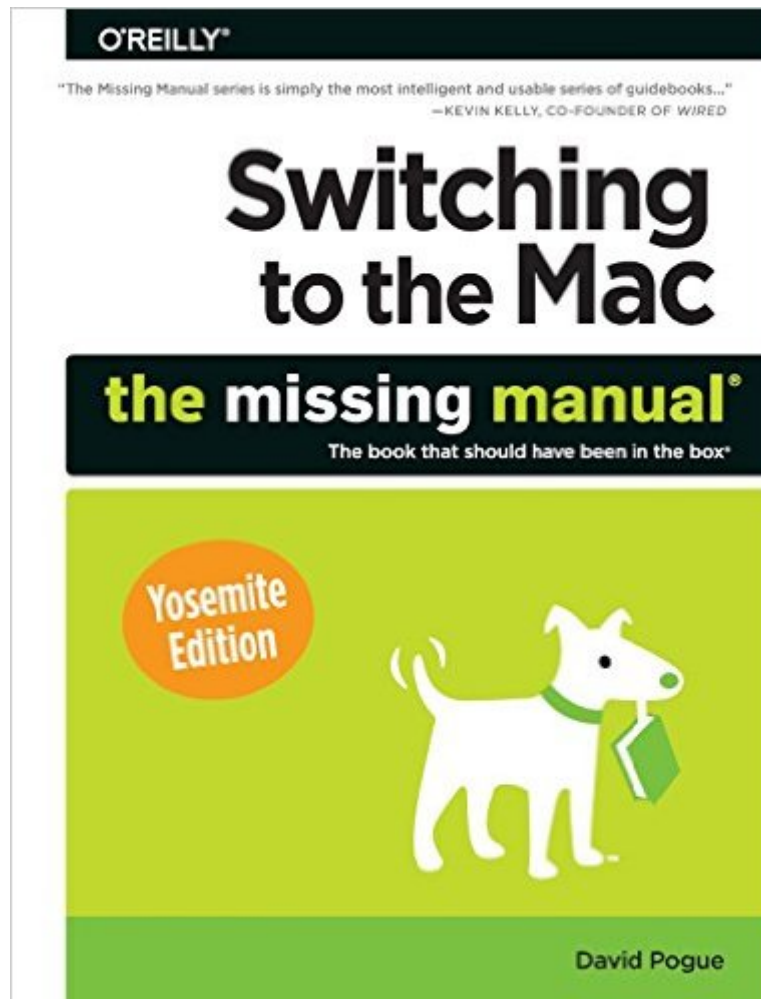


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Switching To The Mac: The Missing Manual, Yosemite Edition



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What makes Windows refugees decide to get a Mac? Enthusiastic friends? The Apple Stores? Great-looking laptops? A "halo effect" from the popularity of iPhones and iPads? The absence of viruses and spyware? The freedom to run Windows on a Mac? In any case, there's never been a better time to switch to OS X and there's never been a better, more authoritative book to help you do it. The important stuff you need to know: Transfer your stuff. Moving files from a PC to a Mac by cable, network, or disk is the easy part. But how do you extract your email, address book, calendar, Web bookmarks, buddy list, desktop pictures, and MP3 files? Now you'll know. Recreate your software suite. Many of the PC programs you've been using are Windows-only. Discover the Mac equivalents and learn how to move data to them. Learn Yosemite. Apple's latest operating system is faster, smarter, and more in tune with iPads and iPhones. If Yosemite has it, this book covers it. Get the expert view. Learn from Missing Manuals creator David Pogue—author of OS X Yosemite: The Missing Manual, the #1 bestselling Mac book on earth.

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Switching to the Mac: The Missing Manual is divided into five parts: Part One: Welcome to Macintosh, covers the essentials of the Macintosh. It's a crash course in everything you see onscreen when you turn on the machine: the Dock, Sidebar, icons, windows, menus, scroll bars, Trash, aliases, Apple menu, and so on. Part Two: Making the Move, is dedicated to the actual process of hauling your software, settings, and even peripherals (like printers and monitors) across the chasm from the PC to the Mac. It covers both the easy parts (copying over your documents, pictures, and music files) and the harder ones (transferring your email, address books, buddy lists, and so on). It also covers the steps for running Windows on your Mac, which is an extremely attractive option. Part Three: Yosemite Online, walks you through the process of setting up an Internet connection on your Mac. It also covers Apple's Internet software suite: Mail, Contacts, Safari, and Messages

Part Four: Putting Down Roots, deals with more advanced topics and aims to turn you into a Macintosh power user. It teaches you how to use Yosemite's new Continuity features, set up private accounts for people who share a Mac, create a network for file sharing and screen sharing, navigate the System Preferences program (the Mac equivalent of the Windows Control Panel), use the Notification Center, operate the 50 or so freebie bonus programs that come with OS X. Part Five Appendixes. At the end of the book, you'll find four appendixes. The first two cover installation and troubleshooting. The third is the 'Where'd It Go?' Dictionary, an essential reference for anyone who occasionally (or frequently) flounders to find some familiar control in the new, alien Macintosh environment.

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