Web browsers – Safari

A Web Browser is a program that enables the user to view web pages.

Safari is an Internet web browser included with Mac OS X. This guide will help you familiarize yourself with the look and feel of Safari, as well as a few customizations that help you personalize your browsing experience.
The Safari web browser window

These are the elements that make up a Safari window with a sample Apple website shown. Some of these elements can be customized, as described below.
1. Back / Forward button *
2. Stop / Reload button *
3. "Open in Dashboard" button *
4. Add Bookmark button *
5. Address (URL) field *
6. RSS feed button, or SnapBack button (in Safari 3.x and earlier) *
7. Google search field *
8. Bookmarks Bar
9. Web page content
10. Scrollbar
11. Resize control

Set a home page

A home page is the webpage that your browser starts on when you open a new window. To set your Safari home page:

1. Navigate the web page you would like to set as your home page (by going to www.apple.com, for example).
2. From the Safari menu choose Preferences. Or press Command-, (the Command key and the comma key).

![Safari Preferences menu](image)
1. Click the General icon.
2. Click "Set to Current Page".
3. Close the preferences window.
Customize the toolbar

If you want to change the items that are on your Safari toolbar:

1. Choose **Customize Toolbar** from the Safari **View** menu.

2. The sheet shown below will appear, allowing you to drag individual favorite items into the toolbar, or rearrange the toolbar. Or, you can drag the default set to your toolbar if you want to go back to that.

3. Click **Done** when finished.
Creating a New Window or Tab

Occasionally, you may wish to view more than one website at a time. This is achievable through creating a new window, which is another full-frame Safari browser screen, exactly like the one you are looking at right now, or a tab, which is essentially a window inside of your current window.

Launching a new tab rather than a window is generally more convenient as it saves on space, leaving you to browse each website from a single window rather than several, which can look somewhat cluttered.

Click File and then New Window to open a new window, or File and New Tab to create a new tab.
Add a Bookmark

Bookmarking a website is similar to bookmarking a physical book, albeit digitally. Safari will keep a record of every website that you bookmark, ready to be viewed at a later date, meaning that you do not need to memorize an ever-growing list of website addresses.

As previously mentioned, iCloud will automatically sync your bookmark collection across every iDevice that you own, so long as you are signed into your iCloud account.

Click on the Share icon situated to the left of the address field and then Add Bookmark.
View your History

Click History and then Show All History. This will draw up a list of every website you have visited recently, categorized by date.

Show All History will draw up a list of every single website you have visited recently, categorised by date.
Reset Safari

To clear your History, click Safari and then Reset Safari.

Check all boxes and click Reset

Warning: This will delete all saved passwords, history and other personalization's.