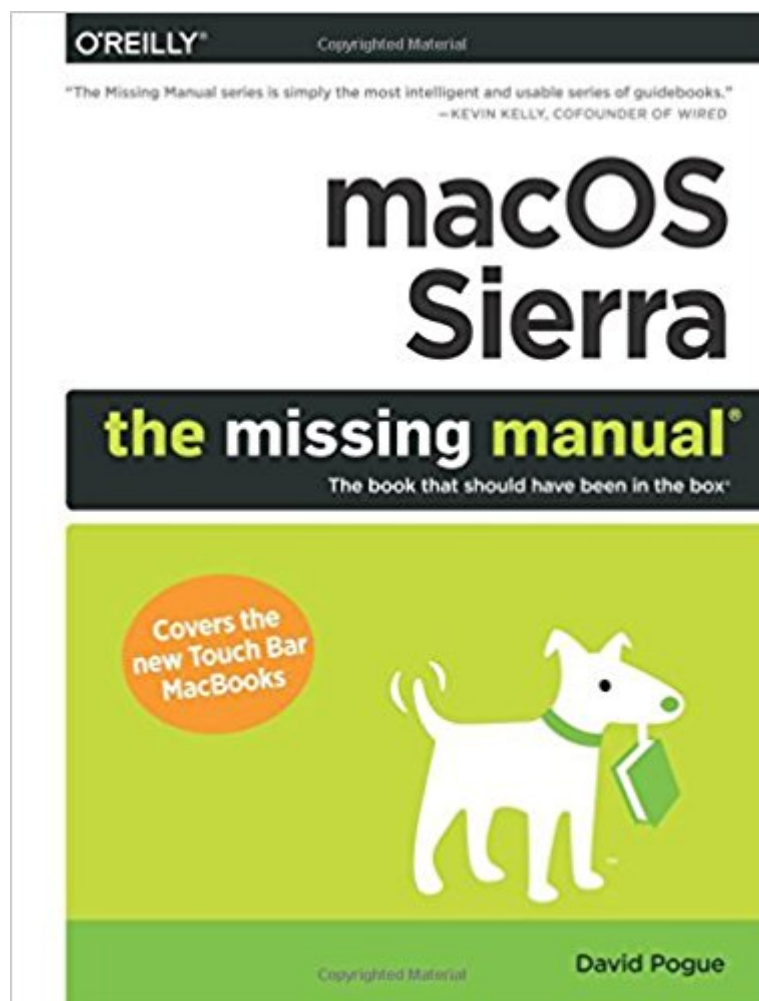




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MacOS Sierra: The Missing Manual: The Book That Should Have Been In The Box



Synopsis

With Sierra, Apple brings never-before-seen features to macOS—like Siri voice control, file sharing across all your iOS devices, picture-in-picture mode for iTunes and Safari, and AI photo search. Once again, David Pogue brings his humor and expertise to the #1 bestselling Mac book. Whether you're a developer or a home-user, this guide offers a wealth of detail on Apple's OS X 10.12 operating system, this new edition covers everything Sierra has to offer. Perfect for newcomers. Get crystal-clear, jargon-free introduction to the Dock, the macOS folder structure, Safari, Mail, and iCloud. Go in-depth. Learn how to use key new features such as Optimized Storage, the Universal Clipboard, Siri for Mac, and iCloud Drive Sync. Get the full story. David Pogue doesn't stop at telling you how to use macOS features. He wants you to know why to use them—and how to avoid common pitfalls.

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About This Book: macOS Sierra: The Missing Manual is designed to accommodate readers at every technical level. The primary discussions are written for advanced-beginner or intermediate Mac fans. But if you're a Mac first-timer, miniature sidebar articles called Up to Speed provide the introductory information you need to understand the topic at hand. If you're a Mac veteran, on the other hand, keep your eye out for similar shaded boxes called Power Users' Clinic. They offer more technical tips, tricks, and shortcuts. When you write a book like this, you do a lot of soul searching about how much stuff to cover. Of course, a thinner book, or at least a thinner-looking one, is always preferable; plenty of readers are intimidated by a book that

dwarfs the Tokyo White Pages. On the other hand, Apple keeps adding features and rarely takes them away. So this book isn't getting any skinnier. Even so, some chapters come with free downloadable appendixes—PDF documents, available on this book's Missing CD; webpage—that go into further detail on some of the tweakiest features.

(You'll see references to them sprinkled throughout the book.) Maybe this idea will save a few trees and a few back muscles when you try to pick this book up.

MacOS Sierra: The Missing Manual is divided into six parts. **Part One: The macOS Desktop** covers everything you see on the screen when you turn on a Mac: folders, windows, icons, the Dock, the Sidebar, Spotlight, Dashboard, Spaces, Mission Control, Launchpad, Time Machine, menus, scroll bars, the Trash, aliases, the Apple menu, and so on. **Part Two: Programs in macOS** is dedicated to the proposition that an operating system is little more than a launchpad for programs—the actual applications you use: email programs, web browsers, word processors, graphics suites, and so on. These chapters describe how to work with applications—how to open them, switch among them, swap data between them, and use them to create and open files. And there's also, of course, a new chapter all about Siri. **Part Three: The Components of macOS** is an item-by-item discussion of the software nuggets that make up this operating system—the 30-ish panels of System Preferences and the 50-some programs in your Applications and Utilities folders. **What's New in Sierra** Optimized Storage Desktop and Documents Folders on iCloud. Copy/Paste Between Devices Auto-Unlock with the Apple Watch Apple Pay on the Web Window tabs Picture-in-picture Messages upgrade Touch Bar and Touch ID

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I was decades behind in Apple operating systems. Finally no systems would be supported. I went to a tutorial the day after I bought my MacBook Pro. Great laptop. I knew there was so much more to learn. I have just started with the book. It is very detailed and I have decided to skim over much of it because I'm not going to use many of the features. The only drawback is that it doesn't cover basic programs like numbers and pages. Separate book. If there is a geek or nerd hidden away inside you, you'll like the book.

Like all of the missing manual books, this one is excellent. It is a detailed reference to the help one fully use the Sierra operating system.

Good overview for users new to MacOS. Sometimes it feels like too many links have to be followed to get through a whole topic. On whole a worthwhile investment.

Great Book. Easy to use, as are all The Manual series are. I usually buy the hard copy version, as it is easier to use

Gotta have it, can't function without it. As always, David Pogue produces the best of this genre.

to keep up with the new features. A great reference when I am trying to figure something out. Lots of good tips as well.

My daughter loves these books & the explanations are easy to understand.

if you have a problem, this book has the answer. great book! you don't have to read it all, just look up the parts you are having trouble with. i give it 5 stars.

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