

Boot Camp: System Requirements for Microsoft Windows

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Summary

Apple's Boot Camp software, included with Mac OS X 10.5 Leopard, lets you install and use Microsoft Windows and Windows-based applications on your Intel-based Mac.

System requirements

To use Boot Camp with Mac OS X 10.5 you need the following:

- An Intel-based Mac
- A Mac OS X 10.5 Leopard installation disc. This can be either a Mac OS X Leopard disc included with a purchased copy of Leopard, or a Mac OS X Install Disc 1 from a Mac that had Leopard preinstalled
- A USB keyboard and mouse, or a built-in keyboard and trackpad
- At least 10 GB of free space on the disk you're installing on (for Microsoft Windows and Windows-based applications)
- Boot Camp Assistant, which is installed by Leopard in (/Applications/Utilities/).
- As well as Microsoft Windows

Products Affected

Boot Camp, Microsoft Windows XP, Microsoft Windows Vista

Important: You should always use the latest version of Mac OS X 10.5 Leopard with Boot Camp. Choose **Software Update** from the **Apple** menu to check for available Mac OS X updates. All available firmware updates for your computer should also be installed.