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**Denver Apple Pi  
Mac SIG Meetings are held at**  
APPLEWOOD COMMUNITY  
CHURCH  
12930 W 32<sup>nd</sup> Avenue  
Golden CO 80401  
7 to 9 PM

**Help SIG Meetings are held at**  
COURTYARD AT LAKEWOOD  
7100 W 13<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE  
LAKEWOOD CO 80214  
7 TO 9 PM

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Mac SIG	Nov 19	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues
Help SIG	Nov 21	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs
XMAS PARTY	Dec 17	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues
Help SIG	Dec 26	4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs

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### DAPI Mac SIG Meeting November 19, 2013

**Presenters: Larry Fagan and Tom King**

**Spreadsheet vs Data Base**

Some uses of Excel, NeoOffice  
and Numbers Applications

Time permitting, Tammy Hansen will present:  
DropBox for iPad

### Help SIG – November 21, 2013

**If you need help with your Mac and plan to attend the Help SIG meeting, notify Elissa at 303.421.8714 so our helpers can bring the proper software, etc. Bring your computer, power cord and mouse.**

## DAPI MEMBERSHIP

### Membership renewals are due for

Katherine Cusack .....	09/13
Bill Ferguson.....	08/13
Kandy Maharis.....	07/13
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Annette Rau .....	09/13
Carmen Rodriguez .....	09/13

Membership dues for DAPI are \$15 per year and you will receive the monthly newsletter, *The Seed*, via email in PDF format. If you prefer, you can pay \$20 and receive a snail mail copy of the newsletter. You can bring your payment to the monthly meetings or you can send your remittance to the club mailing address: Denver Apple Pi, 6501 Welch Court, Arvada, CO 80004-2223.

## MAVERICKS—THE OS X UPDATE FOR MACS

October 22, 2013

### Pricing & Availability

OS X Mavericks is available for free from the Mac App Store. Any Mac capable of running OS X Mountain Lion can also run Mavericks. You can upgrade to Mavericks for free directly from OS X Snow Leopard, Lion or Mountain Lion. For a complete list of system requirements and compatible systems, please visit [www.apple.com/osx/specs](http://www.apple.com/osx/specs).

Here are some quick guidelines to determine if your Mac, MacBook, MacBook Pro, or MacBook Air can be updated to run Mavericks: The latest version of

OS X is available *only* as a download from Apple's Mac App Store. Although Mavericks download is free, you must have Snow Leopard 10.6.8, Lion 10.7, or Mountain Lion 10.8 or on your computer

### Caveats before downloading Mavericks (10.9.0)

- Wait until the system software has been on the market long enough for users to identify problems and for Apple to correct them—maybe version 10.9.1?
- Back up your computer.
- Be aware downloading will take “the better part of an hour” to finish depending on your internet connection speed.
- Have at least 2GB RAM, but 4 GB would be better.

### Mac Model Requirement Year for Upgrade to Mavericks

iMac	mid 2007
MacBook	late 2008 (aluminum model or newer)
MacBook Pro	mid to late 2007 or newer
MacBook Air	late 2008 or newer
MacMini	early 2009 or newer
MacPro	2008 or newer
Xserve1	early 2009

*There's never enough money to do it right the first time, but there's always enough money for the fix . . .* says John Martello of *The MacObserver*.

When it comes to a new software rollout, product managers know that adding too many (developer) cooks to the stew just complicates and shows things down. As we saw with the iWork rollout, simplicity has always been Apple's key to a good point zero launch in the past. As other companies have found out, however, that doesn't always work because the customer base is large and diverse. ([With iWork, Apple had to backtrack anyway.](#))



## VIDEO GUIDE TO MAVERICKS

Rated 4+

Compatibility: OS X 10.7 or later, [64-bit processor](#)

**If you are one who learns from watching a video and then diving into the new OS, Gary Rosenzweig, who writes the *MacMost Newsletter* online, has a 558 MB App available in the Mac App Store for only \$9.99. In the October 31, 2013 newsletter, he describes the package: 25 videos with more than 2 hours of instruction. Go to**

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/video-guide-to-mavericks/id724780151?mt=12&ign-mpt=uo=4> .

Comments from The App Store on this guide are favorable, as one might assume they would be. Here is one: In addition to introducing Mavericks new features, this guide also serves as an overall reminder of how most things OS X work - you will remember features you forgot to use and then see how they are improved in the new version of the world's greatest operating system. Gary gets straight to the essence of what is useful and does it at a perfect pace that keeps you clicking the next video to see more cool stuff.

- Cost: \$9.99
- Category: [Education](#)
- Released: Oct 22, 2013
- Version: 1.0
- Size: 558 MB
- Language: English
- Seller: Gary Rosenzweig
- © CleverMedia, Inc.



## WHY THE NAME “MAVERICKS”?

On October 22, 2013, Apple announced the new OS X update: OS X Mavericks. No more cat names, we're told. For the foreseeable future, OS names will commemorate geographic locations in Apple's home state of California beginning with “Mavericks,” a surfing location in northern California approximately two miles off shore outside Pillar Point Har-

bor. The name is memorable because it was named after a dog. According to Wikipedia:

In early March 1961, three surfers, Alex Matienzo, Jim Thompson, and Dick Knottmeyer, decided to try the distant waves off Pillar Point. With them was a [white-haired German Shepherd](#) named Maverick, owned by Matienzo's roommate. Maverick was used to swimming out with his owner, or with Matienzo, while they were out surfing. The trio left Maverick on shore, but he swam out and caught up with them. Finding the conditions unsafe for the dog, Matienzo tied him up before rejoining the others. The riders had limited success that day, surfing overhead peaks about ¼ mile from shore, just along the rocks that are visible from shore. They deemed the bigger outside waves too dangerous.

They decided to name the *surfing location* after Maverick, who seemed to have gotten the most out of the experience. It became known simply as “Mavericks”. [file://localhost/Wikipedia/http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki:Mavericks\\_%2528location%2529](file://localhost/Wikipedia/http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki:Mavericks_%2528location%2529)

The Mavericks logo is a white circle with a big “X” in the middle on a rectangular background of the blue California surf.



## COMPUTEREDGE® ONLINE OFFERS

ComputerEdge®Online has an E-Book Catalog of cartoon collections which has a two-book bundle offer at a reduced price of \$4.99 for many (if not all) of the e-book formats. These cartoons cover the trials and tribulations of using computers and the Internet. Also on this website are other e-books on other subjects including how to download and install e-books for iPads (and other formats).

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## GAMES FOR MACS AND iOS DEVICES

Here are some games for our Macs, iPhones, iPads and iPods. Some are free and some cost a small amount. Look along the left sidebar to see game choices.

[More Clever Media Sites](#)

<http://macmost.com/creating-a-recovery-disk.html>

<http://justsolitaire.com/http://justsolitaire.com/>

<http://justjigsawpuzzles.com/>

<http://justwordsearch.com/>  
<http://justmahjongsolitaire.com/>

Look at this website for over 150 original Flash and Shock-wave games made by Clever-Media. Additionally, games can be played on iOS devices using HTML5:

<http://gamescene.com/>

Free but for a limited time only for iPhone, iPad and iPod: Jigsaw Xmas Party on the App:

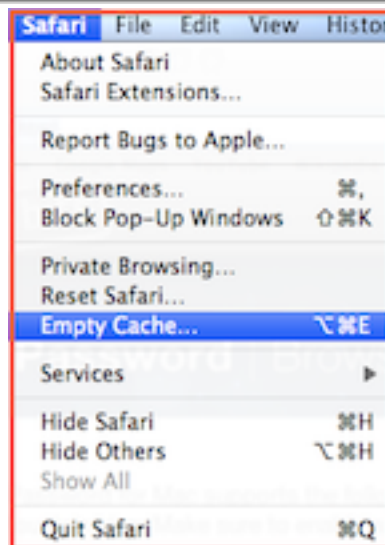
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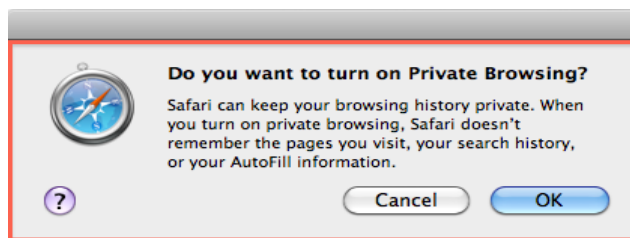
## GUARDING YOUR ONLINE PRIVACY

Pew Research Center, an American think tank organization based in Washington, D.C. provides information on public opinion. Their research shows that 37 percent of U.S. web users say complete anonymity can be achieved. Although this percentage may be dropping, there are tools that can be applied without "cracking open a computer science textbook," to provide some privacy as you surf on the Internet and email and text your friends, according to Brian Fung of *The Washington Post*. Here are some tools.

- Clear your cache and disable cookies.



- Encrypt your email and chats. *Adiumi for Mac* can provide encryption. <https://adium.im/>
- Enable incognito mode on your Web browser. Most browsers come with a private browsing or incognito mode that won't log your search or browsing history and won't retain cookies that sites use to track your behavior. It won't encrypt the traffic you send over the networks, but it's a good way to hide your activity from others who might use the same computer later. In the Safari Browser drop down menu (above), click on Private Browsing... to bring up this choice and click "OK."



- **Tor** is a free anonymizing service that routes your traffic through the Web in ways that makes it hard for someone else to track. To outsiders, it looks as if your Internet traffic is coming from one of Tor's exit relays which can be located anywhere in the world (NOT where you are). Go to <https://www.torproject.org/>. Tor protects you by bouncing your communications around a distributed network of relays run by volunteers all around the world: it prevents somebody watching your Internet connection from learning what sites you visit, and it prevents the sites you visit from learning your physical location.



- Pay for a private VPN (Virtual Private Network). The website TorrentFreak can provide additional information about VPN providers.
- Use a password manager. To help you keep track of all your passwords, LastPass at <https://lastpass.com/> or 1Password at <https://agilebits.com/extensions/mac/index.html> are tools that can help you reduce the likelihood of someone gaining the passwords to your online accounts.



**Jim and Larry making plans for next meeting.**



**DAPI Recycles**  
**Please bring your used Injet and toner cartridges to Elissa**



**Tom explaining how things work**



**Elissa and Darlene listening at DAPi Board Meeting**

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MEMBERSHIP DUES are \$20 per year for a monthly hard copy of The Seed or \$15 per year for a monthly pdf copy. Fill in the form below or ask for an application to send with your check to the DAPi mailing address.

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Macintosh SIG meets the THIRD TUESDAY of the month, 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Troubleshooter Group Help SIG meets the FOURTH THURSDAY of the month, 7:00 to 9:00 pm. The Seed articles should be emailed to [jjetherton@comcast.net](mailto:jjetherton@comcast.net), subject: SEED article.

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