

# **LaunchMagic™ 4**

## **User Guide**

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# Chapter 1—Welcome

LaunchMagic is the premier launch management utility for Mac OS X and is the official successor to F10 Launch Studio. It's the fastest and most efficient way to launch applications even if you don't know where they're located on your hard disk. Plus, you can use it to open favorite documents and folders just as quickly. Its unobtrusive design means it's completely out of the way until you need it and then disappears when you're finished. Plus, its visually stunning interface makes managing your applications fun. For a list of new features in this version please visit our web site at <http://www.chronosnet.com>.

## System Requirements

- ◆ Mac OS X v10.7 or later
- ◆ 60MB of available disk space

## Installing LaunchMagic

If you downloaded LaunchMagic from the Chronos website, you should see an LaunchMagic disk image on your Desktop.

- 1) Open the LaunchMagic disk image on your desktop.
- 2) Drag and drop the LaunchMagic application icon into your Applications folder or other folder of your choice.

### What Gets Installed?

LaunchMagic does not install any additional software components when it runs.

### Uninstall LaunchMagic

The below steps describe how to uninstall all of the components related to LaunchMagic.

- 1) Delete the LaunchMagic application. The LaunchMagic application was originally installed by you, so you are the only one that knows where it is installed. That said, it is likely in your Applications folder.
- 2) Delete the "Chronos/LaunchMagic" folder. This folder is where LaunchMagic stores its database. This is located in the "Application Support" folder of your home Library folder.
- 3) Delete the "com.chronos.LaunchMagic.plist" file. This file is located in the "Preferences" folder of your home Library folder.
- 4) Delete the "com.chronos.LaunchMagic.plist.lockfile" file if it exists. This file is located in the "Preferences" folder of your home Library folder.

## Learning to Use LaunchMagic

To learn how to use LaunchMagic, consult these resources:

### User Guide

This guide describes LaunchMagic's features and shows how to use the program.

## **Onscreen Help**

Help tags are available for many of the items in LaunchMagic. To see the help tags, let the mouse pointer rest over an item for a couple of seconds.

## **Technical Support**

Chronos provides various support options for LaunchMagic. See <http://www.chronosnet.com/Support/index.html> for technical support options.

## **Web Resources**

Go to <http://www.chronosnet.com/Products/index.html> to get the latest software and updates.

# Chapter 2—Getting Started

LaunchMagic is a little bit unique in that it is a faceless background application. This means it doesn't appear in the Mac OS X Dock and it doesn't have a regular menu bar. Instead it runs in the background and only appears when needed.

## Launching LaunchMagic

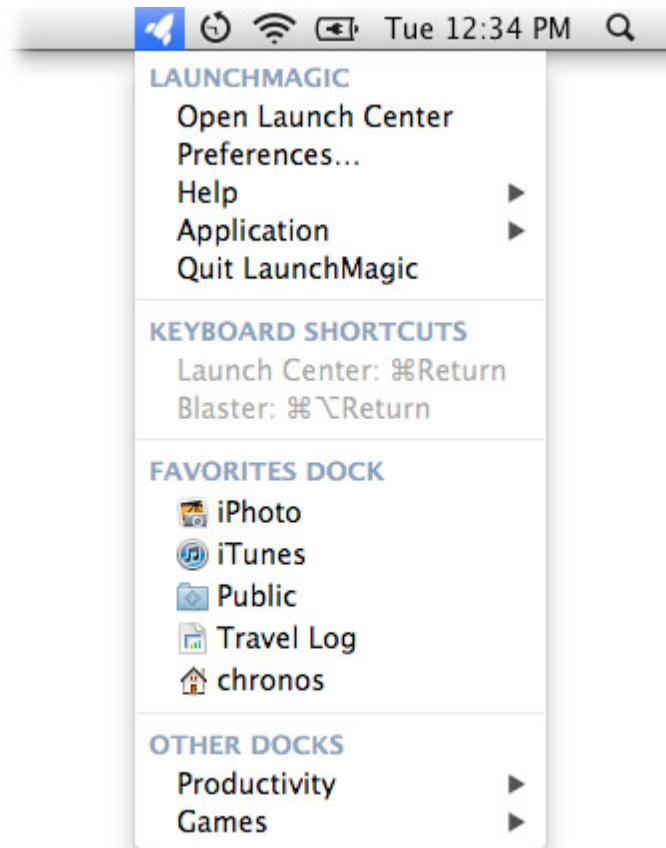
When you launch LaunchMagic it searches your computer for applications so the software knows about all of your applications when you need to launch one. Since LaunchMagic runs in the background, you can normally just launch it once and then leave it running indefinitely.

### To launch LaunchMagic:

- 1) Double-click the LaunchMagic application. The application will launch and a Welcome window will appear. The Welcome window contains a video you can watch to quickly get acquainted with the software. The Welcome window will also walk you through a few setup and informational steps.



- 2) Click Close to close the Welcome window and start using the software. At the top of your screen in the menu bar, you'll see an LaunchMagic icon which opens a menu. The LaunchMagic menu always remains in the menu bar no matter which application you're currently working in. It provides convenient access to key functionality of the software.



- 3) Click the LaunchMagic icon in the menu bar and choose Open Launch Center. The Launch Center will open and fill your screen.





4) Click the Exit button to close the Launch Center.

The first time you launch LaunchMagic, it is automatically added to the list of Login Items for your user account. This means that LaunchMagic will automatically and conveniently launch each time you restart your computer.

#### **To view/edit your user account's Login Items:**

- 1) Open the System Preferences.
- 2) Click the Accounts preference pane.
- 3) Select your account.
- 4) Click the Login Items tab.

## **Quitting LaunchMagic**

Because LaunchMagic is a background application, you can't quit it like you would most applications. Instead, you use the LaunchMagic menu in the menu bar.

#### **To quit LaunchMagic:**

- 1) Click the LaunchMagic icon in the menu bar and choose Quit LaunchMagic.

You can also quit the software from the Launch Center if it's already open on your screen.

#### **To quit LaunchMagic from the Launch Center:**

- 1) Click the Action (gear) button and choose Quit LaunchMagic.

# Changing Whether LaunchMagic Launches at System Startup

You can change, at any time, whether or not you want LaunchMagic to be launched automatically whenever your computer restarts.

## **To enable or disable LaunchMagic launching at system startup:**

- 1) Click the iClipboard icon in the menu bar and choose Preferences.
- 2) Select the General tab.
- 3) Select or deselect Enable at system startup.

# Choosing Where LaunchMagic Searches for Applications

LaunchMagic automatically limits searches to the system volume (the volume or partition containing Mac OS X) for applications. You can, however, have LaunchMagic include other volumes in the search as well. If you want very specific control over where LaunchMagic searches for applications, you can have it only search certain paths or you can have it ignore certain paths.

## **To choose where LaunchMagic searches for applications:**

- 1) Click the LaunchMagic icon in the menu bar and choose Preferences.
- 2) Select the Searching tab.
- 3) Choose whether you want the software to search for applications at specific locations or choose if you want it to search for applications everywhere except specific locations.
- 4) Add or delete the paths you want to search or exclude according to your above choice.
- 5) If you're searching for applications everywhere except certain paths, check or uncheck the button which controls whether you want to limit application searches to the system volume only.

# Chapter 3—Using LaunchMagic

LaunchMagic is the fastest, easiest way to open applications, documents, and folders. LaunchMagic automatically learns of any new applications installed on your computer, so it's always aware of all the applications that you may want to launch. This means that you don't have to worry about doing any special setup or work to use the software.

## Opening & Closing the Launch Center

LaunchMagic was designed to be instantly available the moment you need it. When you're opening applications, documents, and folders all day long, every second counts. Plus, it really helps when you don't have to rummage through your hard disk to find an application that isn't on your Mac OS X Dock.

In order to be instantly available the moment you need it, LaunchMagic was ergonomically designed to be invoked using the keyboard if your hands are on the keyboard or using the mouse if your hand is on the mouse.

### **To open the Launch Center:**

- 1) Press the assigned keyboard shortcut. The default keyboard shortcut is: Command-Return. To assign a different keyboard shortcut, see [Specifying The Launch Center Keyboard Shortcut](#).
- 2) OR move the cursor to a designated hot corner. For information on designating a hot corner, see [Designating a Hot Corner](#).
- 3) OR click the LaunchMagic icon in the menu bar and choose Open Launch Center.

### **To close the Launch Center:**

- 1) Press the assigned keyboard shortcut.
- 2) OR move the cursor to a designated hot corner.
- 3) OR press the Exit button in the Search Bar at the top of the Launch Center.
- 4) OR press Escape (ESC) on the keyboard.

## The Launch Center

When the Launch Center appears, it will fill the screen with all of your applications.

### Search Bar

Use the Search field to find applications.

### Launchpad

Displays your apps, documents, & folders.



### File List

Displays documents for the selected app.

### Dock

Customize with your favorite apps, docs, & folders.

The Launch Center has the following parts:

- ◆ **Search Bar.** This region contains the search field where you can quickly search for a particular application.
- ◆ **Launchpad.** This region displays all of your applications. It also displays the documents and folders you've manually added.
- ◆ **File List.** This optional region shows all the documents related to the selected application or all of the files in a selected folder. The file list provides a quick way, for example, to open a document that you recently worked on.
- ◆ **Dock.** This region contains one or more docks that you can customize with applications, documents, and folders that you frequently open.

## Opening Items in the Launchpad

The main purpose of LaunchMagic is to quickly open applications, documents, and folders and it couldn't be easier.

### To open an application, document, or folder:

- 1) Open the Launch Center.
- 2) Double-click the item in the Launchpad you wish to open.
- 3) OR use the arrow keys on the keyboard to navigate to the item in the Launchpad you wish to open and press Return.
- 4) OR control-click or right-click on the item in the Launchpad you wish to open to bring up a contextual menu and choose "Open".

## Finding and Opening Items in the Launchpad

If you have lots of items in the Launchpad, visually scanning for the item you want to open might be too slow and cumbersome. Instead, you can use the search field to find the item and open it in a few keystrokes without ever taking your hands off of the keyboard.

### To find and open an item in the Launchpad:

- 1) Open the Launch Center. The cursor will be blinking in the Search field at the top of the screen.



- 2) If the cursor isn't blinking in the text field, you can either click in the Search field or press Command-F.
- 3) Start to type the name of the item. As you type, only the items that match your search phrase will be displayed to help narrow down your choices. Keep typing until your desired item is selected or use the arrow keys to select your desired item.
- 4) Press Return to open the selected item.

LaunchMagic will intelligently search for items as you enter words and abbreviations into the Search field. For example, you can partially or fully enter the following words to narrow down and find the "ColorSync Utility" application:

*"Color"*

*"ColorSync"*

*"ColorSync Utility"*

*"Sync"*

*"Utility"*

Similarly, you can enter the following abbreviations to narrow down and find the "ColorSync Utility" application:

*"csu"*—the capital letters in the application name

*"cu"*—the first letter of each word in the name

## Shortcuts

LaunchMagic uses a sophisticated adaptive algorithm to learn from the abbreviations, words, and phrases entered into the Search field and the item you ultimately choose to launch. For example, if you type "cal", you might see many choices including "Calculator", "iCal", "Display Calibrator", etc. The software will try and determine the item that it thinks you most likely are looking for and will order the results accordingly. In this case, the software might list the Calculator application first and select it as the "best choice". But if instead, you select and open the Display Calibrator application, the next time you type "cal", the software will automatically adapt and select the Display Calibrator application as the best choice.

The software has been specially designed to rapidly narrow down a list of items you might be looking for. Amazingly, it usually only takes two or three keystrokes to find the application you're looking for. For example, to find the "Disk Utility" application you only need to type "du" (the first letter of each word).

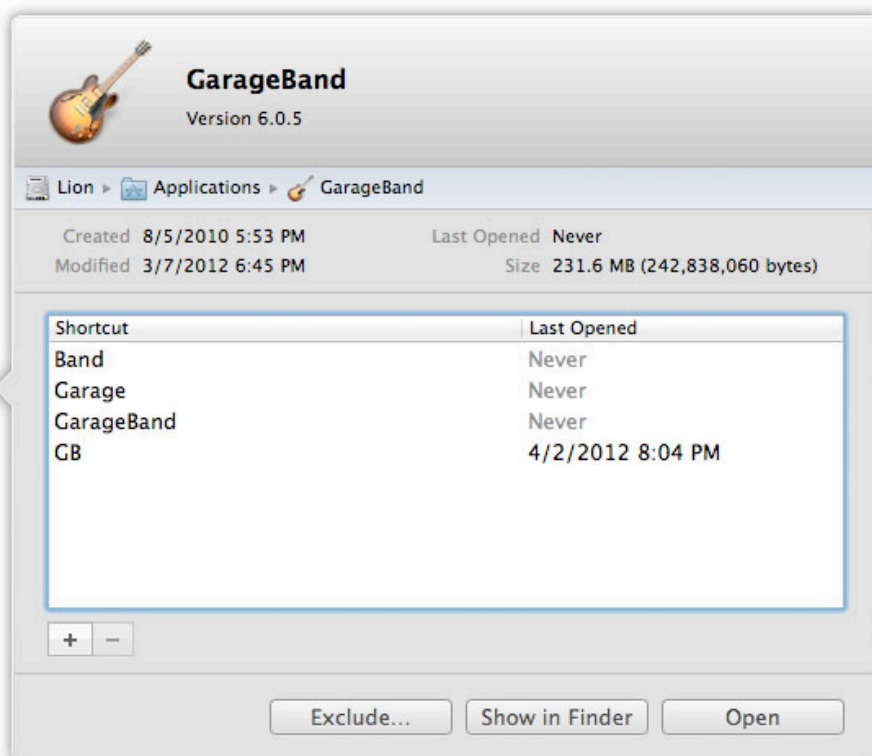
LaunchMagic maintains a list of abbreviations, words, and phrases called "shortcuts" that it associates with each of your applications. You can view these shortcuts, edit them, or even add your own. This means you can add custom shortcuts for items that you frequently open. Suppose, you frequently open the "Photo Booth" application but find that searching using the word "photo" takes too many keystrokes because you have a number of applications that contain the word "photo". Instead, you could simply add a "zz" shortcut to "Photo Booth" which means you can quickly launch it by typing "zz".

### **To edit the shortcuts associated with an item:**

- 1) Select the item and click the Get Info (i) button in the lower right-hand corner of the item.



- 2) OR control-click or right-click on the item and choose "Get Info..." from the contextual menu that appears.
- 3) The Get Info window will appear. It will show you all of the shortcuts currently assigned to the item. It will also show you the last time that you actually used a particular shortcut to open the item. It's possible that the same shortcut can be assigned to multiple items in which case the software uses the last opened date during a search to determine the best choice.



- 4) Click Add (+) to add a new shortcut.
- 5) Click Delete (-) to delete the selected shortcut.
- 6) Double-click a shortcut to edit it and press Return when done.

NOTE: LaunchMagic automatically associates new shortcuts with items as you use them. Suppose, for example, that you enter “c” into the Search field. A bunch of search results will be displayed and a best choice will be selected. Suppose you want to launch the “Calculator” application but it isn’t selected as the best choice. So you double-click the “Calculator” application to launch it. The software will automatically associate the shortcut “c” with the “Calculator” application. This means the next time you type “c” into the Search field, the “Calculator” will automatically be selected as the best choice.

## Showing an Item in the Finder

The occasion may arise when you want to see exactly where on your computer a particular item exists. LaunchMagic makes finding out easy.

### To view an item in the Finder (OPTION 1):

- 1) Open the Launch Center.
- 2) Select the item and click the Get Info (i) button in the lower right-hand corner of the item. The Get Info window will appear.
- 3) Click Show in Finder. The Launch Center will disappear and the Finder will open a new window with the item selected.

### To view an item in the Finder (OPTION 2):

- 1) Open the Launch Center.
- 2) Control-click or right-click on the item you wish to see in the Finder.
- 3) Choose “Show in Finder” from the contextual menu that appears. The Launch Center will disappear and the Finder will open a new window with the item selected.

## Manually Adding Items to the Launchpad

In addition to the applications that LaunchMagic automatically finds and displays in the Launchpad, you can manually add other other applications, documents, and folders to the Launchpad.

### To manually add an application, document, or folder to the Launchpad:

- 1) Click Add (+) to the left of the Search field in the Search Bar. A file chooser sheet will appear.



- 2) Select any application, document, or folder on your computer. It will appear in the Launchpad and be automatically selected for your convenience.

## Excluding Applications from the Launchpad

There are two types of items that appear in the Launchpad:



- ◆ **Automatically Found Applications.** LaunchMagic automatically searches for applications on your computer in places you specify. When it finds an application in a permitted location, it automatically adds it to the Launchpad.
- ◆ **Manually Added Items.** You can manually add applications, documents, and folders to the Launchpad at any time.

This section applies to applications that are automatically found since only applications that are automatically found can be *excluded*.

If the Launchpad is cluttered with applications that you don't want to appear any longer, you can easily exclude them from appearing again. When you exclude an application, it is added to a list of excluded applications which prevents it from automatically being re-added. You can edit the list of excluded applications at any time if you change your mind.

NOTE: Excluding an application from the Launchpad does NOT delete the application from your computer. It simply no longer appears in the Launchpad.

#### **To exclude an application from the Launchpad (OPTION 1):**

- 1) Open the Launch Center.
- 2) Control-click or right-click on the application you wish to exclude.
- 3) Choose "Exclude..." from the contextual menu that appears.

#### **To remove an application from the Launchpad (OPTION 2):**

- 1) Open the Launch Center.
- 2) Select the application you wish to exclude and click the Get Info (i) button in the lower right-hand corner of the item. The Get Info window will appear.
- 3) Click Exclude.

#### **To edit the list of excluded applications:**

- 1) Click the Action (gear) button and choose Preferences.
- 2) Select the Excluded Applications tab.
- 3) Click Add (+) to add an application that you wish to exclude.
- 4) Click Delete (-) to delete an excluded application. The application will once again appear in the Launchpad.

## **Removing Items from the Launchpad**

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- ◆ **Manually Added Items.** You can manually add applications, documents, and folders to the Launchpad at any time.

This section applies to manually added items since only these types of items can be *removed*. When you no longer want an item that you manually added to appear in the Launchpad, you can easily remove it.

NOTE: Removing an application from the Launchpad does NOT delete the item from your computer. It simply no longer appears in the Launchpad.



**To remove an application from the Launchpad (OPTION 1):**

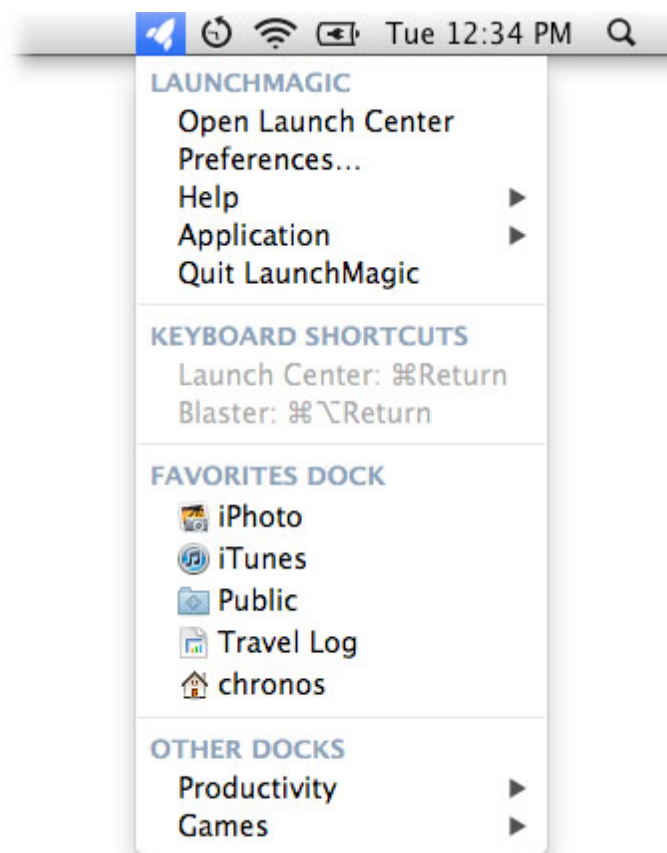
- 1) Open the Launch Center.
- 2) Control-click or right-click on the item you wish to remove.
- 3) Choose "Remove..." from the contextual menu that appears.

**To remove an application from the Launchpad (OPTION 2):**

- 1) Open the Launch Center.
- 2) Select the item you wish to remove and click the Get Info (i) button in the lower right-hand corner of the item. The Get Info window will appear.
- 3) Click Remove.

## LaunchMagic in The Menu Bar

The LaunchMagic menu always appears in the menu bar at the top of your screen. This menu provides convenient access to key functionality of the software. Plus, you can use this menu to quickly open items in any of your docks. For more information on docks, see [The Dock](#).



**To open an item in a dock using LaunchMagic in the menu bar:**

- 1) If the item is in your default dock, then simply select that item in the default dock section.

- 2) If the item is in a non-default dock, then choose the dock in the OTHER DOCKS section and then choose the item in that dock's menu.

**To conveniently view your keyboard shortcuts in the LaunchMagic menu:**

- 1) Your keyboard shortcuts are shown in the KEYBOARD SHORTCUTS section of the menu in case you forget one of them.

## Specifying The Launch Center Keyboard Shortcut

You can change the keyboard shortcut used to open and close the Launch Center. This keyboard shortcut provides a quick way to activate the Launch Center without having to move your hands from the keyboard to the mouse.

**To change the Launch Center keyboard shortcut:**

- 1) Click the Action (gear) button and choose Preferences.
- 2) Select the General tab.
- 3) Click in the Launch Center keyboard shortcut field.
- 4) Enter a new keyboard shortcut or click Clear to delete the existing keyboard shortcut.
- 5) Click Re-enable Keyboard Shortcuts to activate the new keyboard shortcut.

## Designating a Hot Corner

You can designate one or more corners of your screen as a hot corner. Moving your mouse into a hot corner will open/close the Launch Center. Hot corners provide a fast way to activate the Launch Center without taking your hand off of the mouse.

- 1) Click the Action (gear) button and choose Preferences.
- 2) Select the General tab.
- 3) Choose "Launch Center" from the pop-up menu located at each corner of the hot corners screen to make a corner active.

## Changing Launchpad Sorting

You can change the way items are sorted in the Launchpad at any time. You can choose to sort by name or when each item was last opened.

**To change the way items are sorted:**

- 1) Click the Sort (triangle icon) next to the number of items field in the Search Bar.

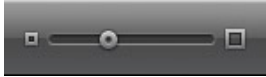


- 2) Choose your sorting preference from the pop-up menu.

## Changing the Size of Icons

You can change the size of the icons in the Launchpad. This lets you choose a size that is easy on your eyes and it allows you to control how many items you can see with minimal scrolling.

- 1) Slide the slider located at the top of the screen in the Search Bar to your desired size.



NOTE: You cannot change the size of icons while a search is in progress.

## Turning the Icon Animation On/Off

The applications that appear in the Launchpad move around in an animated fashion as you search for applications. If you don't care for the animation or feel that it slows down your searching, you can turn it off.

**To turn the icon animation on/off:**

- 1) Click the Action (gear) button and choose Preferences.
- 2) Select the General tab.
- 3) Select or deselect Enable animation.

## Changing the Color of Highlighted Items

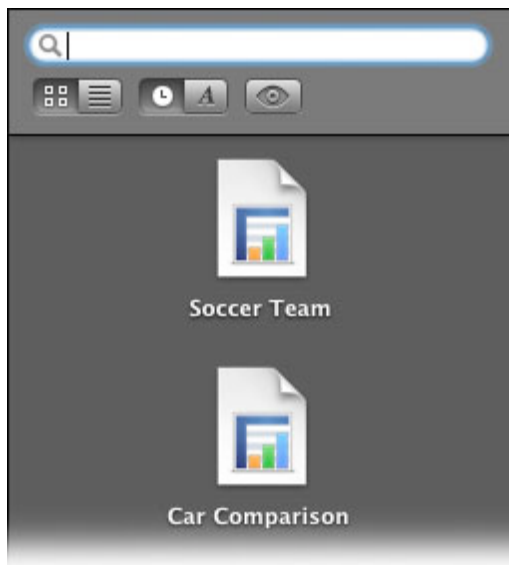
By default, the Launchpad highlights selected items in a special golden orange color. If you prefer a different color, you can instead choose to use the Highlight Color you've selected in the "General" System Preferences.

**To change the color of highlighted items:**

- 1) Click the Action (gear) button and choose Preferences.
- 2) Select the General tab.
- 3) Select or deselect Use System Preferences highlight color.

# Chapter 4—The File List

You often launch an application because there's a particular document that you want to work on. LaunchMagic makes it fast and easy to launch an application and open a related document at the same time. Whenever you select an application in the Launchpad, the optional File List shows you all of the items related to that application. Likewise, whenever you select a folder in the Launchpad, the File List shows all of the items in that folder.



## Opening and Closing the File List

The File List is optional. You can open it and leave it open all of the time or you can open and close it whenever you need it.

### To open/close the File List:

- 1) Click the Action (gear) button and choose Show File List if the File List is currently hidden or choose Hide File List if it is currently visible.

## Opening Documents Related to an Application

When you select an application in the Launchpad or the Dock, the File List will automatically show you all of the documents that you can open with the selected application.

### To open a document with the selected application:

- 1) Open the Launch Center.
- 2) Make sure the File List is open.
- 3) Use the Search field to search for an application or click an application to select it. The File List will quickly find and display all the documents related to the selected application.

- 4) Double-click the document you wish to open. LaunchMagic will open the selected document using the selected application.

## Opening Items Inside of a Folder

When you select a folder in the Launchpad or the Dock, the File List will automatically show you all of the items inside of that folder.

**To open an item inside the selected folder:**

- 1) Open the Launch Center.
- 2) Make sure the File List is open.
- 3) Use the Search field to search for a folder or click an application to select it. The File List will show you all of the items inside of the selected folder.
- 4) Double-click the item you wish to open. LaunchMagic will open the selected item.

## Sorting the File List

You can choose to sort the items in the File List alphabetically or by the date each was last opened. If you choose to sort by the date each was last opened, it essentially turns the File List into a most recently opened list.

**To sort the documents in the File List:**

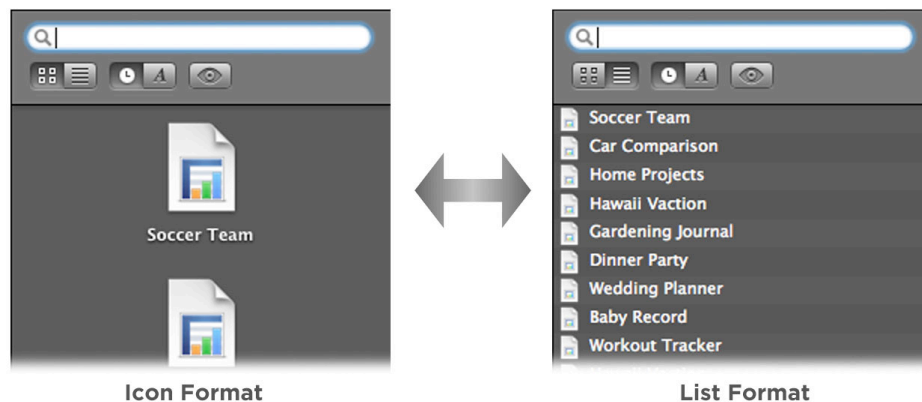
- 1) Click one of the two Sort buttons to sort the items by last opened date or alphabetically.



## Viewing in a List or Icon Format

You can choose to view the items in the File List two different formats:

- ◆ **Icon Format:** View the items as large icons with the items name below the icon.
- ◆ **List Format:** View the items in a regular list consisting of the item's name and a small icon.



Choose the Icon format when you prefer to see an icon representation of the item. Choose the List format when you want to see lots of items at once.

**To choose the format of the File List:**

- 1) Click one of the two Format buttons to view the File List in List or Icon format.



## Searching Items

Your list may contain hundreds or thousands of items so finding the item you're looking for might be a little overwhelming. In such cases, use the built-in Search field to search for a particular item or items.

**To search the items in the File List:**

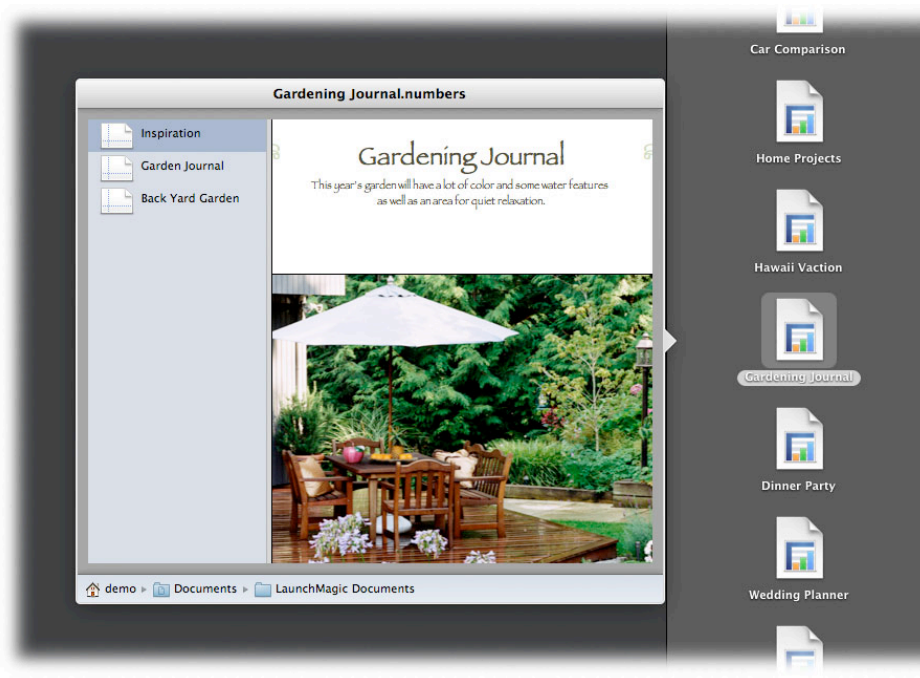
- 1) Click in the Search field at the top of the File List or press Command-F.
- 2) Start to type the name of the item you're looking for. As you type, only the items that match your search phrase will be displayed to help narrow down your choices. Keep typing until your desired item is found.

## Previewing Items

Sometimes you need to actually see the contents of an item to know if it's the item you're after or to get a certain tidbit of information from it. LaunchMagic lets you preview the contents of any item in the File List. The preview shows you the actual contents of the item when possible using the Quick Look technology built into Mac OS X.

**To preview an item in the File List:**

- 1) Select an item in the File List.
- 2) Press the space bar key on the keyboard. The Preview will open and show you the name of the item, its location on your computer, and a Quick Look preview of its contents when possible.



- 3) Press the space bar key on the keyboard again to close the Preview or click away from the Preview.

**To automatically open a Preview whenever an item is selected:**

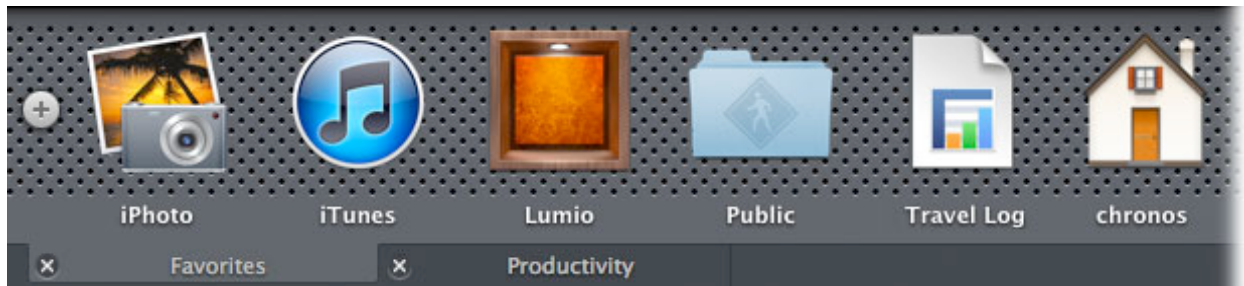
- 1) Select the Preview button below the Search field. The icon on the Preview button will glow blue.



- 2) Select an item in the File List. The Preview will automatically open now whenever you select an item in the File List.
- 3) Select the Preview button again to disable the automatic preview feature. The icon on the Preview button will turn back to its regular color so you know the feature is disabled.

# Chapter 5—The Dock

The Launch Center has a special region called the Dock which you can customize with applications, documents, and folder that you frequently use. It provides another way to quickly launch favorites.



## Using the Dock

### To launch an item from the Dock:

- 1) Double-click the item on the Dock.

### To add an item to the Dock (OPTION 1):

- 1) Drag an item from the Launchpad to the Dock.

### To add an item to the Dock (OPTION 2):

- 1) Click Add (+) on the left side of the Dock. A file chooser sheet will open.
- 2) Select any application, document, or folder on your computer. It will appear on the Dock and it will also appear in the Launchpad.

### To remove an item from the Dock:

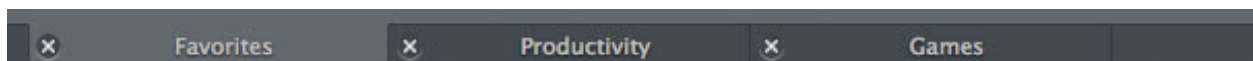
- 1) Select the item you wish to remove from the Dock.
- 2) Press the Delete key.

### To rearrange items on the Dock:

- 1) Drag and drop an item on the Dock to its new desired location on the Dock.

## Managing Multiple Docks

LaunchMagic lets you create as many Docks as you want. Each Dock resides in its own tab.



The Dock in each tab can be customized with different items. In essence, multiple Docks allow you to categorize applications that you frequently use.

### To add a new Dock:



- 1) Click the Action (gear) button and choose New Dock.

**To rename a Dock:**

- 1) Select the tab of the Dock you wish to rename.
- 2) Click the Action (gear) button and choose Rename Dock.

**To delete a Dock:**

- 1) Click the X button in the tab of the Dock you wish to delete.

# Chapter 6—The Blaster

Most Mac OS X users are familiar with the Command-Tab keyboard shortcut which is used to switch between your running applications. If you're familiar with how this Mac OS X feature works, then you already know how to use the Blaster. Simply press a special keyboard shortcut and the items from your Dock appear on your screen. Press the special keyboard shortcut repeatedly until the item you want to open is selected and presto, the item will be opened.



The Blaster shows you the items from the Dock selected in the upper right-hand corner of the Blaster. If an application is already running, a small glow dot will appear beneath the application icon.

## To use the Blaster:

- 1) Press the Blaster keyboard shortcut (the default keyboard shortcut is Option-Command-Return). The Blaster window will appear and the Cancel button will be selected.
- 2) Choose a Dock from the Dock button in the upper right-hand corner of the Blaster.
- 3) Continue to hold down the modifier keys (Option & Command in this case). As long as these modifier keys are held down, the Blaster window will remain on the screen.
- 4) With the modifier keys held down, repeatedly release and press the main key of the keyboard shortcut ("Return" in this case). Each time you press the main key, the selected item in the Blaster will advance. NOTE: you also hold down the Shift modifier key to reverse the order that items are selected in.
- 5) Release the modifier keys to open the currently selected item.

**TIP #1:** While the modifier keys are being held down, you can also hold down the Shift modifier key to reverse the order that items are selected.

**TIP #2:** While the modifier keys are being held down, you can press the left, right, up, or down arrow keys on your keyboard to change the selection. This is a useful when you have multiple rows of items.

## To specify the Blaster keyboard shortcut:

- 1) Click the Action (gear) button and choose Preferences.
- 2) Select the General tab.
- 3) Click in the Blaster keyboard shortcut field.
- 4) Enter a new keyboard shortcut or click Clear to delete the existing keyboard shortcut.
- 5) Click in the Cancel Blaster keyword shortcut field. This is an optional keyboard shortcut you can specify to quickly cancel the Blaster. It's sometimes quicker to press this keyboard shortcut than to cycle back to the

Cancel button. Be sure to choose a keyboard shortcut that uses the same modifier keys as the Blaster keyboard shortcut.

- 6) Enter a new keyboard shortcut or click Clear to delete the existing keyboard shortcut.
- 7) Click Re-enable Keyboard Shortcuts to activate the new keyboard shortcut.

# Chapter 7—Database Reset

LaunchMagic stores references to all of the applications it finds on your computer along with the shortcuts assigned to these applications in a special database. It also keeps track of the docks you create in this same database. You can reset this database at any time if you want to start over from scratch with the software.

**WARNING:** please note that resetting the database means you'll have to manually re-create your docks and shortcuts.

**To reset your database:**

- 1) Click the Action (gear) button and choose Preferences.
- 2) Select the Advanced tab.
- 3) Click Reset Database.