
SilverLining 5.8.2 !

LaCie's SilverLining 5.8.2 updates support Apple's new Extended Volume Format, also known as HFS+. Users will be able to create HFS+ partitions and also have control of allocation block size. The new version also fixes for problems with passwords, improves IDE drive support supporting multi-block transfers, improves performance in the SCSI driver for small data transfers, and offers compatibility with at least the pre-release version of Mac OS 8.1. The updates are available on-line at: <http://www.lacie.com/updates.html>

TechTool Pro 2.0 !

TechTool Pro, the commercial version of Micromat's great freeware utility TechTool, has long been the premiere tool for detecting <http://www.apple.ca/product/ds/233Upgrade.html>

Quark 4.0 Shipping!

Quark announced November 10th it is shipping QuarkXPress 4.0. The upgrade substitutes Apple's ColorSync for EFI Color and provides a palette of bezier drawing tools within the program. In addition, Quark has committed to providing Acrobat PDF import and export filters within a few months. The XPress 4.0 upgrade will be one of the more expensive software updates to come out recently with US pricing ranging from \$298 to \$498 depending on which version of XPress 3.x you start with. Quark Customer Service can be reached at: (307) 772-7100. A Quark 4.0 demo is available online at: <http://www.quark.com/demo001.htm>

Apple New Build-to-Order: U.S. Only —So Far!

Along with the new G3 computers, apple announced it was selling Macs directly over the Internet on a "build-to-order" basis. The new Apple Store at <http://store.apple.com> is only available for U.S. customers at the present time but Apple Canada has committed to supporting this delivery method within one year. The company said that Resellers will continue to provide added value to the products.