



Mac OS 8.5.1!

Apple has released a minor update to Mac OS 8.5 which fixes some annoying bugs:

1. Drive Setup 1.6.2 fixes partition corruption and installs "needed patches"
2. Fixes bug with large number of asynchronous file writes to HFS or HFS Plus volumes [affects FileMaker, other programs]
3. Fixes HFS Plus volume corruption
4. Fixes ADB ("dongle") and joystick bugs introduced in Mac OS 8.5
5. Sherlock proxy bugs fixed, new Sherlock plug-ins added
6. Fixes AppleScript memory leak

The Mac OS 8.5.1 Update is available on-line at:

ftp://ftp.info.apple.com/Apple.Support.Area/Apple.Software.Updates/US/Macintosh/System/Mac_OS_8.5.1_Update/

FreeHand 8.0.1b!

FreeHand 8.0.1 introduced the option to link rather than embed GIF, JPEG, PSD, and TARGA formats. When linked, they retain their original characteristics. When embedded, they become TIFFs, as they do in FreeHand 8.0. When opening files containing linked jpegs, 8.0.1 made poor use of RAM. Even worse, the subsequent error message read "Could not complete your request because the file is not the right kind." This was fixed in 8.0.1b. FreeHand 8.0.1b can be downloaded at:

http://www.macromedia.com/support/freehand/ts/documents/linked_jpeg.htm

AppleShare IP 6.1

AppleShare IP 6.1 is now available and offers: Mac OS 8.5 compatibility; The ability to securely administer server from Web browser; TCP Filter software; The ability to host multiple Web sites; File-sharing performance improvements; The ability to log into a user's account with the administrator's password; Shared mail folders over IMAP; A First Aid tool for verifying, repairing, and backing up AppleShare data files; Configuration tool for the Web & File Server; and, Password-protected printing support (requires LaserWriter 8.6.1) . Find it on-line at:

<http://til.info.apple.com/swupdates.nsf/artnum/n11168>

AppleShare Client 3.8.1

Apple now offers the latest AppleShare Client software (from the AppleShare IP 6.1 Update) as a separate download for all Mac OS 7.6 and up computers. Find it at:

<http://til.info.apple.com/swupdates.nsf/artnum/n11163>

StuffIt Deluxe 5.0.1

This update restores functionality to the StuffIt Browser that was lost in the transition from 4.5 to 5.0. Get your copy of the 5.0.1 updater at:

<http://www.aladdinsys.com/deluxe/dlx501update.html>

UMAX VistaScan 3.1

UMAX continues to tweak its scanner driver. The latest update is available on-line at:

<ftp://207.88.20.146/FTP01/VistaScan/v31scsi/v31scsi.sea.hqx>

Yamaha CDRW driver 1.0q

Yamaha has revisions to its CDR and CDRW firmware for CRW4260, CRW4001, CDR400xx & CDR401 drives. Download it from:

<http://www.yamahayst.com/techsup/download2.htmDownload>

FaxSFT 5.0.5

This is a new Fax driver for the software that ships with some Power Macs and the new iMac. It fixes a wide variety of bugs. It is available on-line from:

<http://www.stfinc.com/software.htmbundle>

Markzware FlightCheck 3.45

Markzware has an updater available for FlightCheck 3.3x. Find it on the Markzware web site at:

<http://www.markzware.com/mw/updaters.html>

FWB Hard Disk Toolkit 3.0.1

FWB has brought out a brand new disk formatting utility Hard Disk Toolkit 3.0 and has already provided a 3.0.1 updater. The new version is said to offer the best available performance and now has the features of FWB RAID Toolkit rolled into it. Upgrades from version 2.5 are available for a fee from the FWB site. The 3.0->3.0.1 updater is free and is available at:

<http://www.fwb.com/dc/hdt/hdt3.0to3.0.1updater.html>