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## Apple Ships Mac OS 9!

Apple is now shipping Mac OS 9 (*Precursor Systems* price \$141 + taxes). The new OS offers 50 new features and is particularly strong in its Internet capabilities (See *Precursor PDFNews* 11:01 and 11:03). The new system is in use at Precursor Systems now and we love it! However, we strongly recommend that Precursor support customers contact us before installing OS 9 as there may be some compatibility issues with their systems.

Apple has two offers for customers to save money on OS 9:

1) Owners of qualifying Apple computers can upgrade to Mac OS 9 for \$19.95 US. Complete details are at the Mac OS Up-To-Date web page:

<http://www.apple.ca/macosp/upodate/>

2) Purchasers of Mac S 8.5 after October 5/99 may upgrade to Mac OS 9 for \$29.95 CDN with the coupon at Apple Canada's web site:

[http://www.apple.ca/macosp/pdf/Mac\\_OS\\_9\\_CAN.pdf](http://www.apple.ca/macosp/pdf/Mac_OS_9_CAN.pdf)

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## Adobe Fixes ATM/ATR for OS 9

Adobe has brought out updates to its type management software for compatibility with Mac OS 9:

Adobe Type Manager Deluxe 4.5 -> 4.5.2 updater works only on properly installed copies of ATM Deluxe 4.5 (not 4.5.1) and only under Mac OS 9 (earlier versions of system software will not allow the upgrade).

<http://www.adobe.com/support/downloads/5bae.htm>

Adobe Type Manager (Lite) 4.5.2 which is free –and supplies font smoothing without the management capabilities of ATM Deluxe– also only installs to Mac OS 9 systems.

<http://www.adobe.com/support/downloads/5ba6.htm>

Adobe Type Reunion Deluxe 2.5.x -> 2.5.2 will update versions 2.5 and 2.5.1 on systems that are running Mac OS 9.

<http://www.adobe.com/support/downloads/5baa.htm>

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## MasterJuggler Upgrade for OS 9!

Like Adobe, ALSoft has spruced up MasterJuggler for Mac OS 9. For simple compatibility, users can download a MasterJuggler 2.x -> 2.0.3 updater. For compatibility plus new features available under Mac OS 9 MasterJuggler owners can order the MasterJuggler Pro 2.1 upgrade for \$12.95 US plus \$5 processing fee.

<http://www.Alsoft.com/MasterJuggler/support.html>

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## Symantec Qualifies NUM/NAV for OS 9

Symantec has qualified its Anti-virus and Utilities software for Mac OS 9. Norton Utilities 5.0 and NAV 6.0 are both Mac OS 9 compatible. NUM 4.0.x and NAV 5.0.x are not compatible (see our chart with compatibility recommendations on the following page).

# Precursor Systems OS Comptibility Chart

The following recommendations have been compiled as a brief guideline to assist customers in assembling the correct software packages before a major upgrade. No warrantee is issued either express or implied. For full comptibility and proper installation please contact us at [support@precursor.mb.ca](mailto:support@precursor.mb.ca) or call (204) 793-1880.

Mac OS	8.1	8.6	9.0
QuickTime .....	3.0.2	4.0.3	4.0.3
NUM .....	3.5.3/4.0.4	4.0.4	5.0
NAV .....	5.0.3	5.0.3/6.0	6.0
ATM .....	4.0.2	4.0.2	4.5.2
ATM Deluxe .....	4.0.3	4.5.1	4.5.2
ATR/ATR Deluxe .....	1.2	2.5.1	2.5.2
Suitcase .....	3.0.1	8.1	8.1.1
MasterJuggler .....	2.0.2	2.0.2	2.0.3
Retrospect .....	4.0	4.1	4.2
FWB HDT .....	2.5.3	3.0.2	3.0.2
Silverlining/Pro .....	5.8.3	6.1	6.1
Iomegaware .....	1.1.3	1.1.3	1.1.3
Outlook Express .....	4.0.2	4.5	5.0
Netscape .....	4.0.8	4.7	4.7
QuarkXPress .....	3.32r5	4.0.4	4.1
Photoshop .....	4.0.1	5.0.2	5.5
Illustrator .....	8.0.1	8.0.1	8.0.1
FreeHand .....	8.0.1b	8.0.1b	8.0.1b
Acrobat .....	4.0	4.0	4.0
Adobe PS (print driver) .....	8.5.1	8.6	8.6



**\$141 +taxes**

The above price includes installation and is available only for Precursor Systems annual support contract customers.