

Podcasting with itunes

About podcasts

Podcasts are radio- and TV-style shows you can download from the Internet.

You can download free podcasts from the iTunes Store. You can also subscribe to podcasts (for free) so that new episodes are automatically downloaded as they become available. (Some websites charge a fee for podcasts.)

Podcasts are different from Internet radio stations, which stream content over the Internet. Podcast episodes are downloaded to iTunes on your computer—and you can copy them to an iPod—so that you can play them when you're not connected to the Internet.

Downloading podcasts

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To download a podcast from the iTunes Store:

1. Click iTunes Store (below Store).
2. Click Podcasts (below "Inside the iTunes Store"). Click a podcast to see a list of recent episodes.
3. When you find a podcast you want to download, do one of the following:
 - To download a single episode, click Get Episode.
 - To subscribe to a podcast, click Subscribe. iTunes downloads the most recent episode. As new episodes become available, they are automatically downloaded to iTunes (when you are connected to the Internet).

Choose Edit > Preferences and then click Podcasts to do the following:

- Change the number of episodes iTunes downloads.
- Change how often new podcasts you subscribe to are downloaded.
- Set iTunes to delete podcasts after you've listened to them.

To unsubscribe to a podcast, select a podcast or episode and then click Unsubscribe (at the bottom of the iTunes window).

If you know the Internet address of a podcast, you can subscribe to it without using the iTunes Store. Choose Advanced > "Subscribe to Podcast" and then enter the URL. You can usually find the URL of a podcast on that podcast's webpage.

When you click the Subscribe button next to a podcast in the iTunes Store, iTunes downloads only the most recent episode of the podcast.

If you have a problem subscribing to a podcast:

- If a podcast episode doesn't download to iTunes when you click the Subscribe or Get Episode button in the iTunes Store, the website that provides that podcast may be offline or busy. Select Podcasts and then click Refresh to try again.
- If you subscribe to a podcast by entering its URL and the podcast doesn't download, you may have entered an incorrect URL. Check the podcast webpage for the correct URL.

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