



Mac Low Vision

Screen Magnifier: Zoom

Your Mac's Zoom screen magnifier is a quick way to bump up the size of text and images.

Zoom is the built-in screen magnifier on your Mac. And when it's on, you can make everything on the screen bigger and more readable. **Try it out!**

Accessibility Menu

1. Select the **Apple icon** on the left side of the **Apple** menu bar at the top of the screen.
2. Select **System Settings** from the drop-down menu.

Tip: On some Macs, System Settings might be called System Preferences

3. Select **Accessibility** in the left pane of the **System Settings** window to open the **Accessibility** pane.

Zoom Options

4. Select **Zoom** under the **Vision** heading to open the **Zoom** pane.

5. The first option under the **Zoom** heading is **Use Keyboard Shortcuts to Zoom**. Select the toggle button on the right to turn this option on. Now you can use the keyboard shortcuts below to control your **Zoom** feature:

- **Option + Command + 8**: Toggle **Zoom** on and off.
- **Option + Command + Plus Key**: Zoom in. Each time you tap the **Plus** key, the screen zooms in more.
- **Option + Command + Minus Key**: Zoom out. Each time you tap the **Minus** key, the screen zooms out more.

Tip: When you zoom in, you see a smaller part of the display, like when you look through a magnifying glass. To see more of the screen, just move around using the trackpad or the mouse. As the pointer gets close to the edge of the screen, everything shifts so you can see more of what's on the display.

6. Use **Option + Command + 8** to turn **Zoom** off.

Tip: The next time you turn **Zoom** on, it is automatically set at the magnification level you used when you turned it off.

7. Select the toggle button next to **Use Scroll Gesture with Modifier Keys to Zoom** to turn it on.

8. Select the drop-down menu next to **Modifier Key for Scroll Gesture** and choose the modifier key you want to use.
9. Press and hold your modifier key and slide two fingers up the laptop trackpad to zoom in and down the trackpad to zoom out.

Tip: This Zoom technique also works using the scrolling gesture if you are using a mouse. Just press and hold the Command key and use the scrolling gesture on the mouse up and down to zoom in and out.