

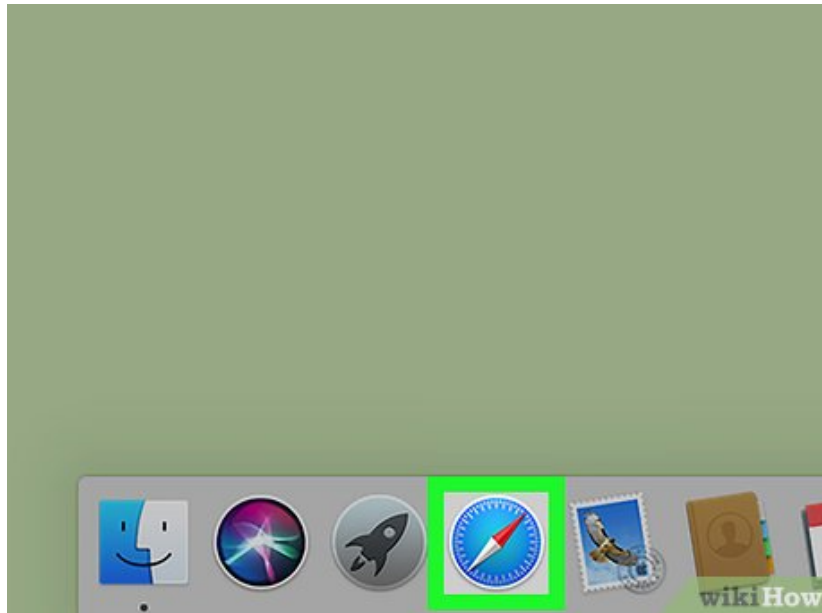
How to Stop Pop Ups on a Mac

This wikiHow teaches you how to configure your internet browser settings to block pop-up windows that appear when you open or close a web page, using a Mac. Open the Safari internet browser on your Mac. The Safari icon looks like a blue...

Method 1 of 3:

Using Safari

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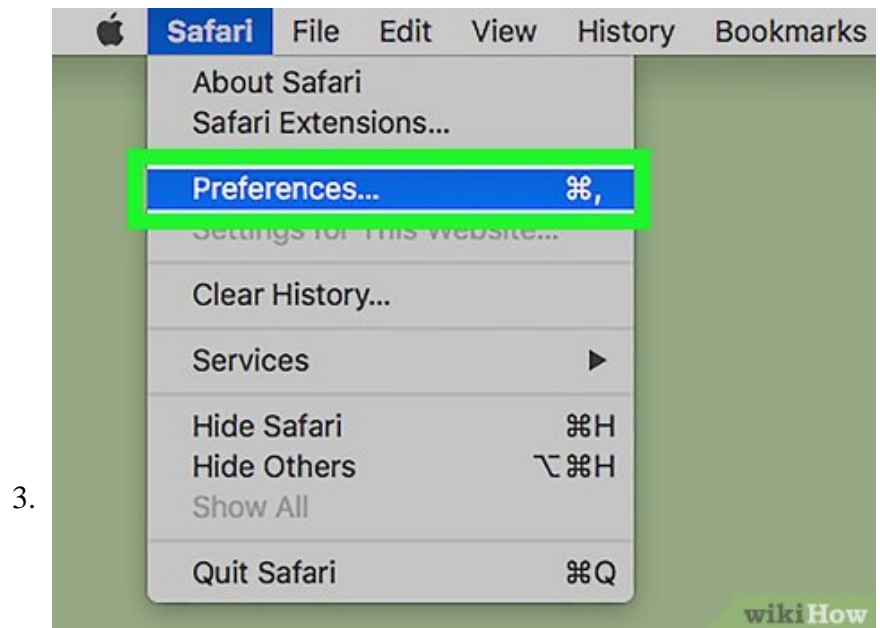


Open the Safari internet browser on your Mac. The Safari icon looks like a blue compass in your Applications folder.



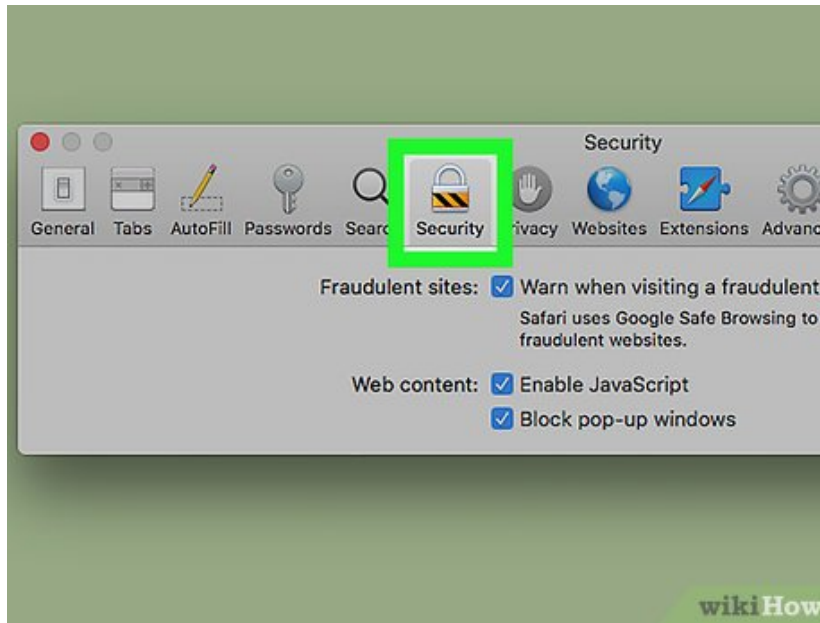
Click the **Safari menu.** It's located on your menu bar in the upper-left corner of your screen. It will open a drop-down menu.

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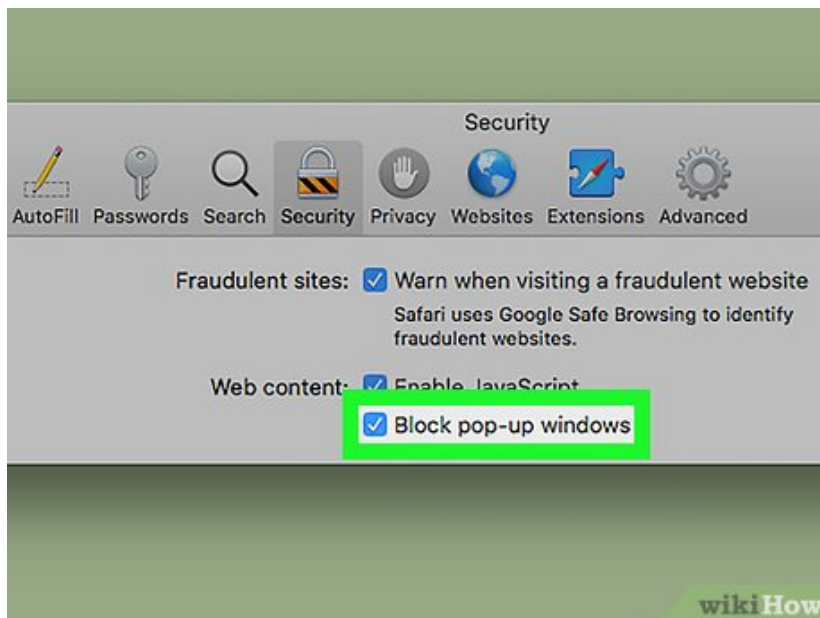
Click **Preferences on the drop-down menu.** This will open your Safari browser settings in a new window.

1. Alternatively, press **⌘, +** on your keyboard. When you press the Command and comma buttons at the same time, it will open Preferences.



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Click the **Security** tab. It looks like a lock icon at the top of the Preferences window.

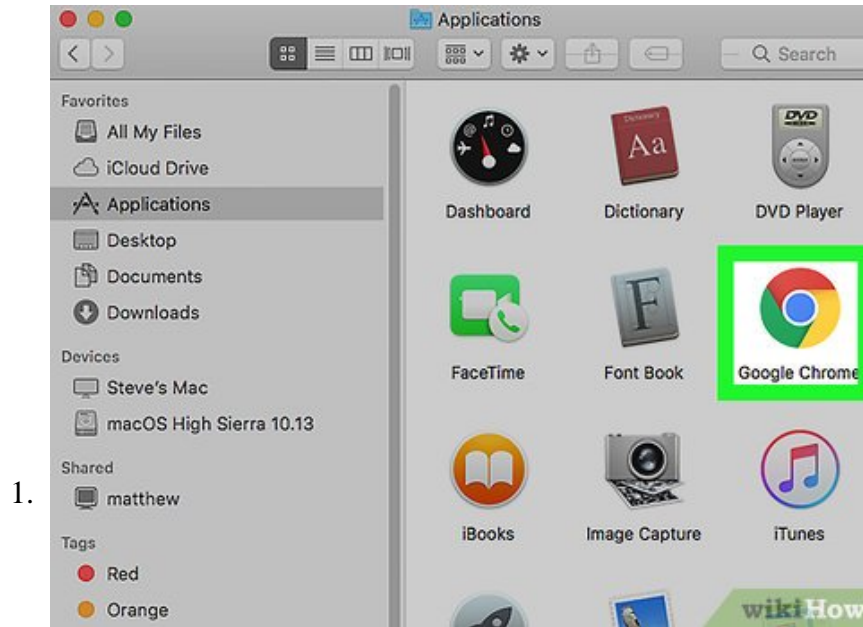


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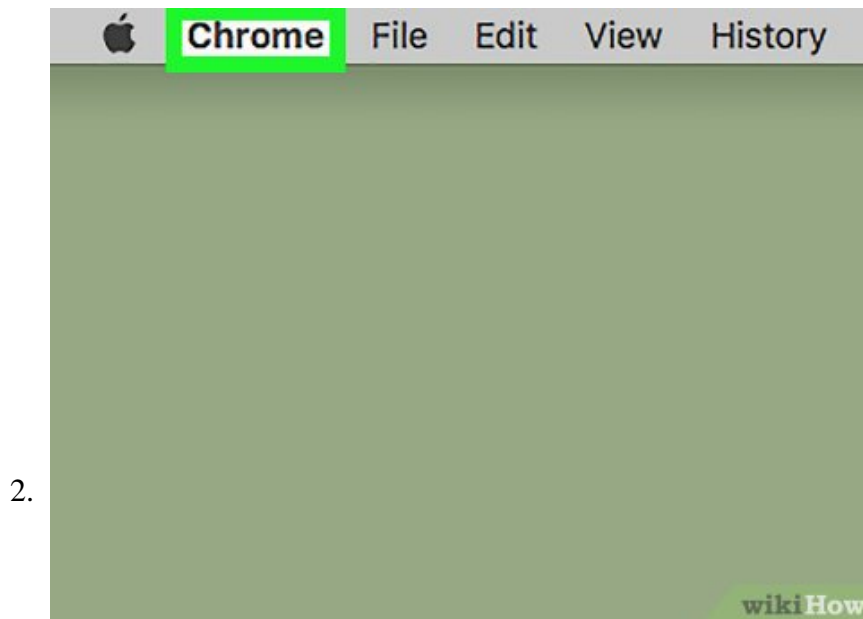
Check the box next to **Block pop-up windows**. Safari will now block all pop-up windows that appear when you open or close a web page. You can change it anytime by unchecking this box from Preferences.

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Using Google Chrome

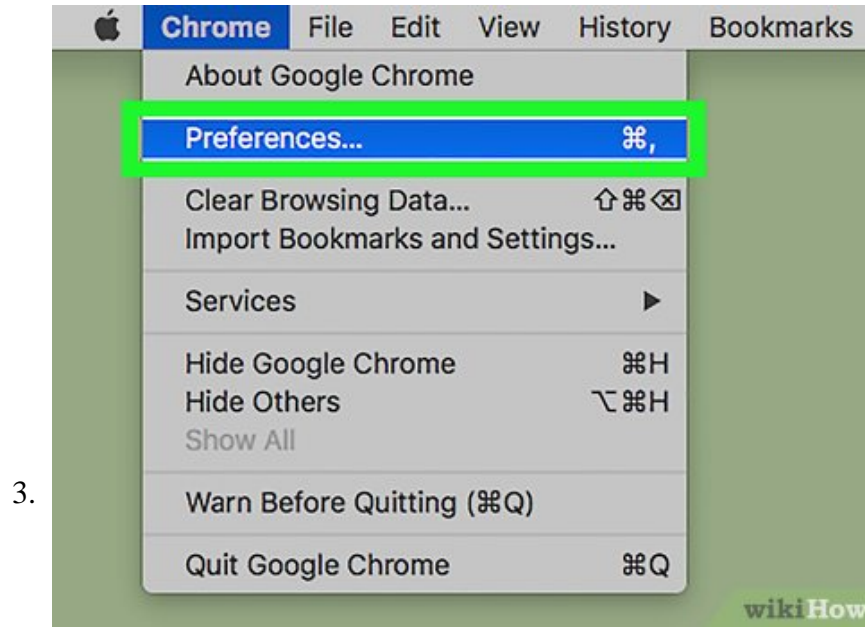


Open the Google Chrome internet browser on your Mac. The Chrome icon looks like a small blue circle with yellow, green, and red components wrapped around it. You can find it in your Applications folder.



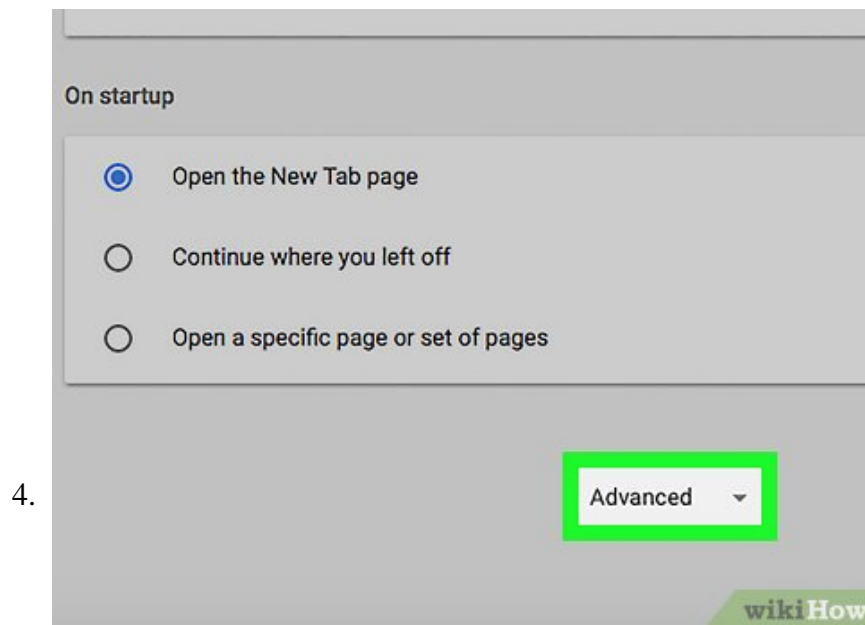
Click the **Chrome menu.** It's located on your menu bar in the upper-left corner of your screen. It will open a drop-down menu.

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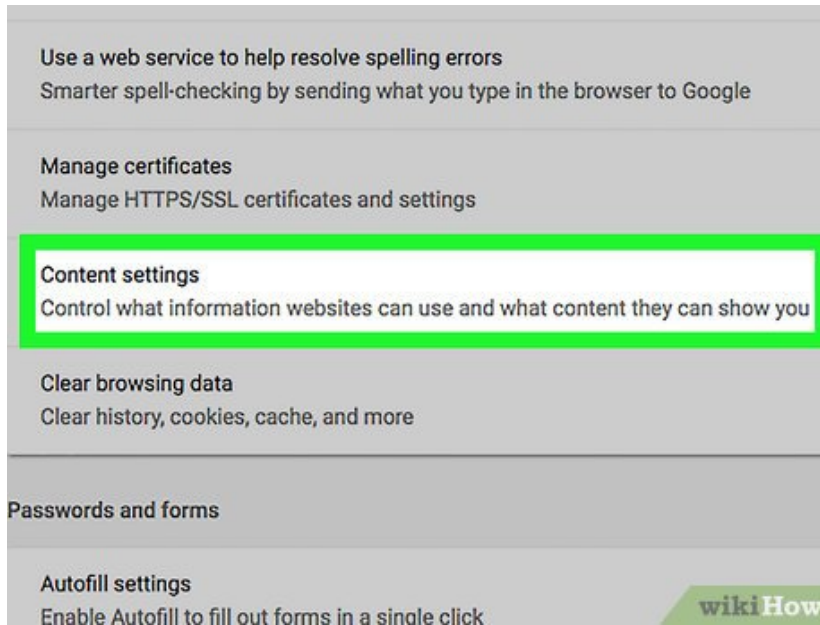


Click **Preferences** on the drop-down menu. This will open your Chrome browser settings in a new tab.

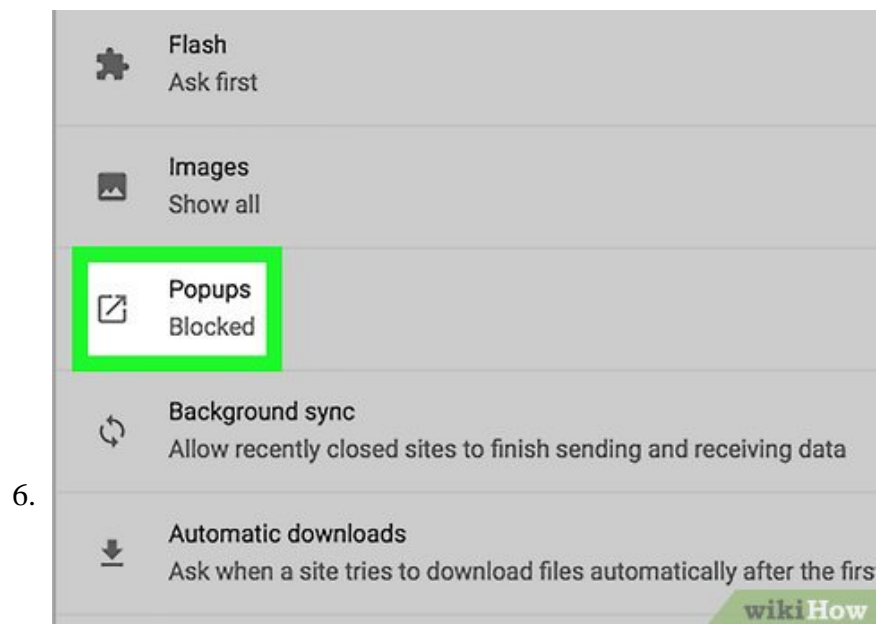
1. Alternatively, type `chrome://settings` in Chrome's address bar, and hit `Enter` on your keyboard. It will open the same page.
2. You can also use the `⌘+,` keyboard shortcut to open the Settings tab.



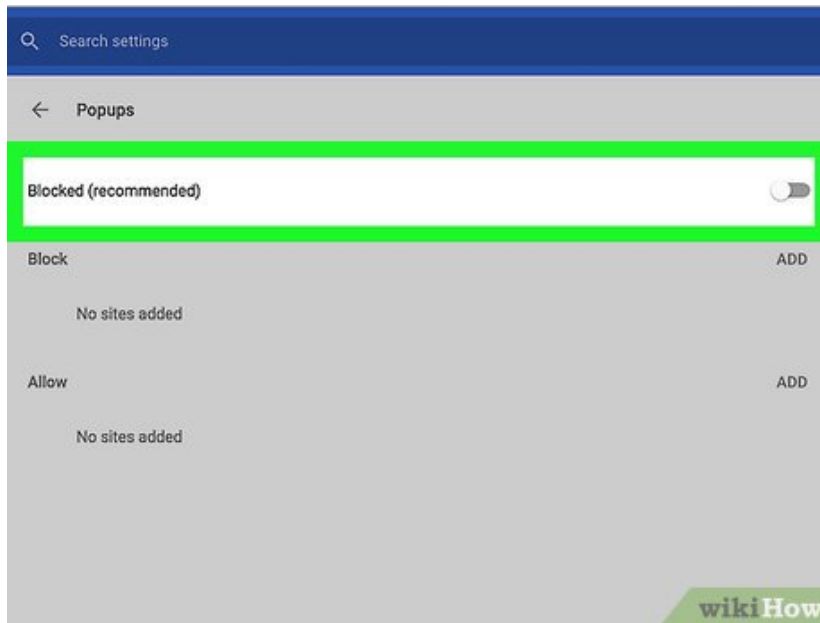
Scroll down and click **Show advanced settings**. This option is written in blue letters at the bottom of the Settings tab.



Click the **Content settings** button under **Privacy**. It will open your content options in a new pop-up window.

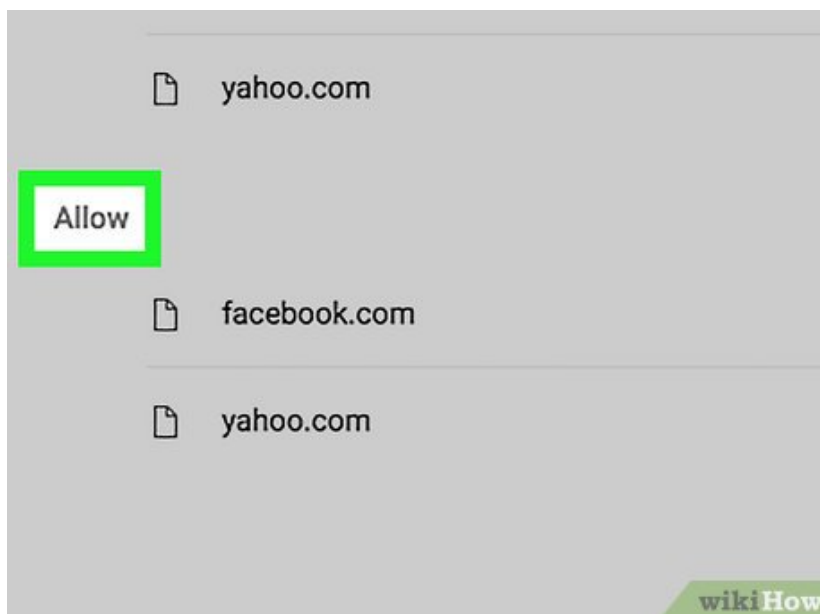


Scroll down to the **Pop-ups** section. This section is between **Flash** and **Location**.



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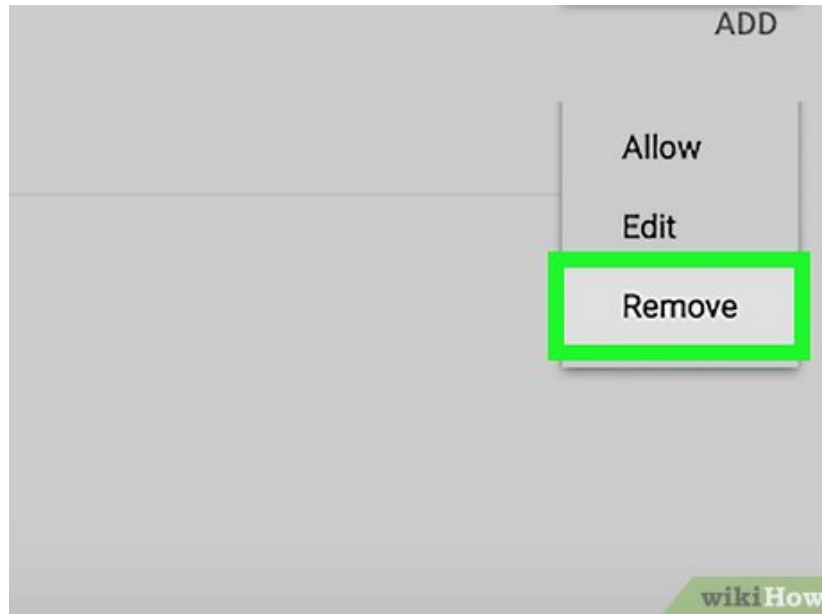
Select **Do not allow any site to show pop-ups**. Chrome will now block all pop-up windows that appear when you open or close a web page.



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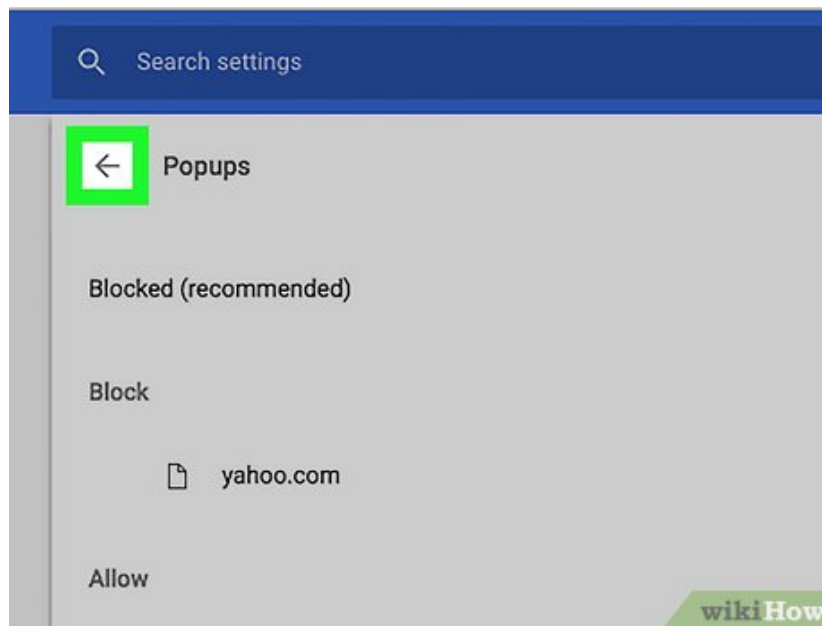
Click **Manage exceptions** under **Pop-ups**. This option will open a new window with a list of all your pop-up exceptions. Chrome will not block pop-ups from websites saved in your pop-up exceptions list.

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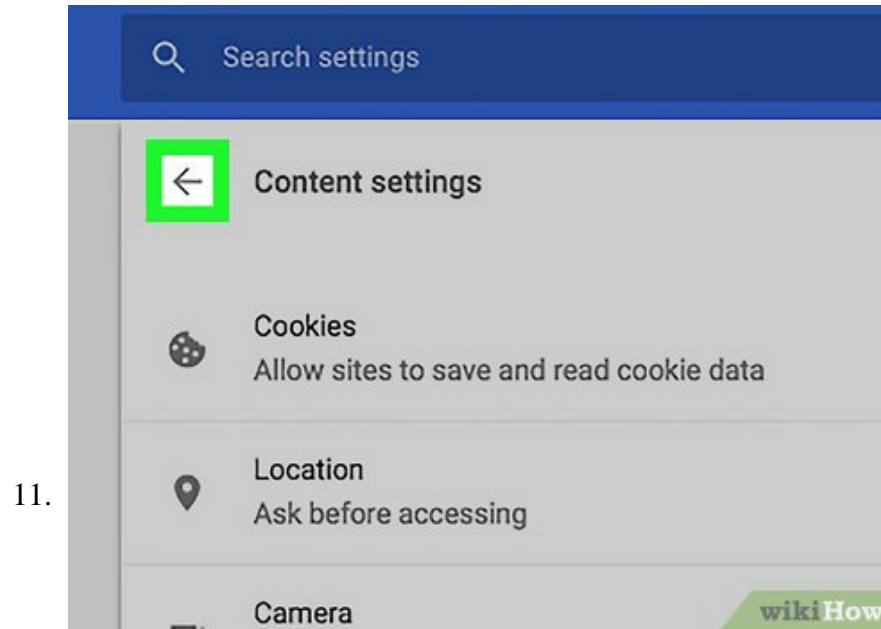


Click the **X** button next to a website on the list. An "X" button will appear on the right-hand side of the exceptions box when you hover over a website on the list. Click on it to delete this website from your pop-up exceptions.

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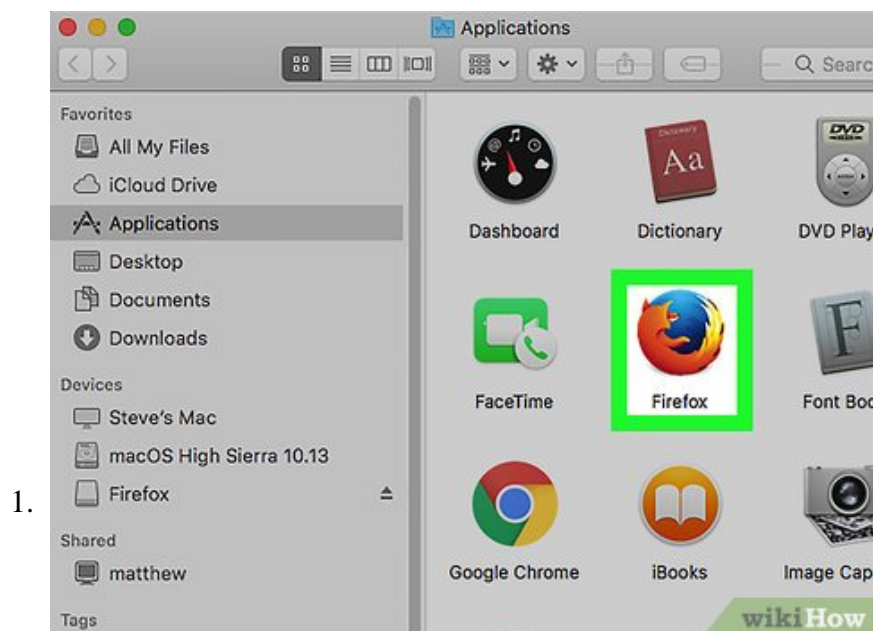
Click **Done**. This will save your new exceptions settings, and close the pop-up window.



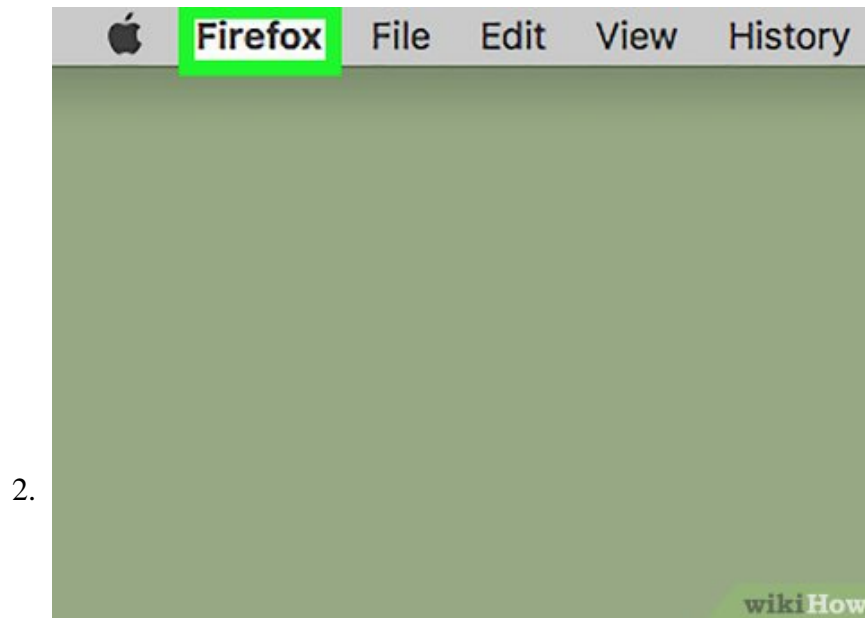
Click **Done** again in the Content settings window. This will save your new pop-up preferences.

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Using Mozilla Firefox

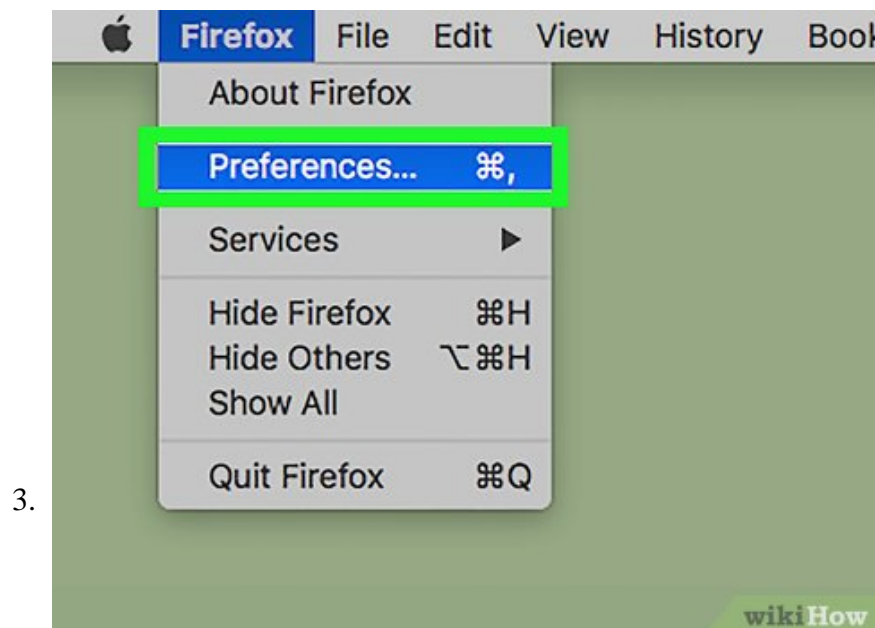


Open the Mozilla Firefox internet browser on your Mac. The Firefox app looks like a blue world icon with a red fox wrapped around it. You can find it in your Applications folder.



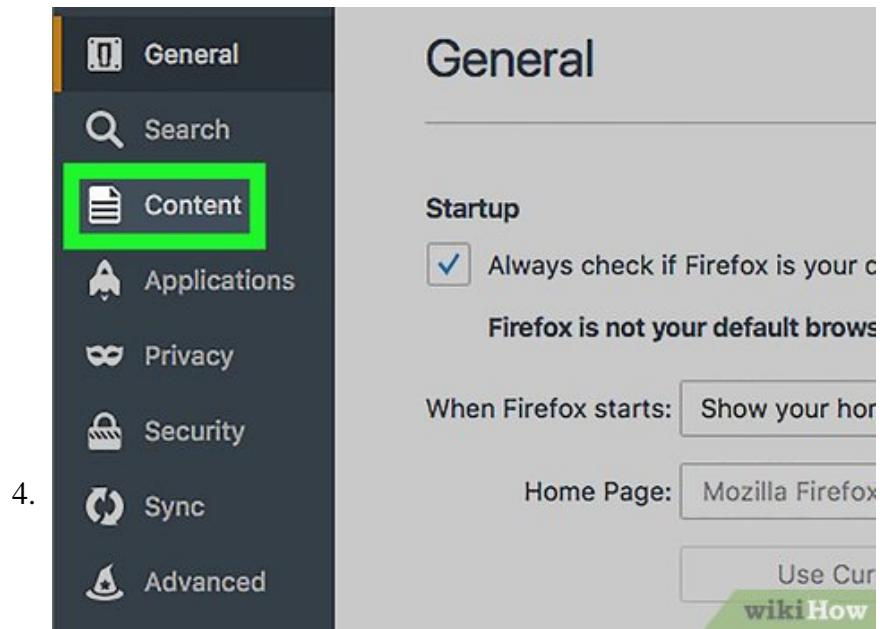
Click the **Firefox** menu. It's located on your menu bar in the upper-left corner of your screen. It will open a drop-down menu.

1. If you see a different app's name in the upper-left corner, click on the Firefox icon again.

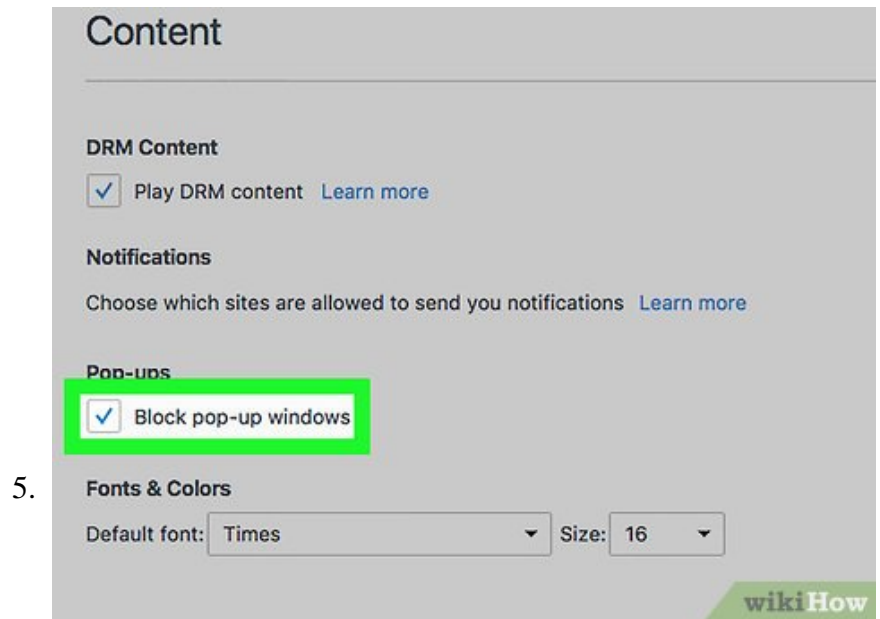


Click **Preferences** on the drop-down menu. This will open your Firefox browser settings in a new tab.

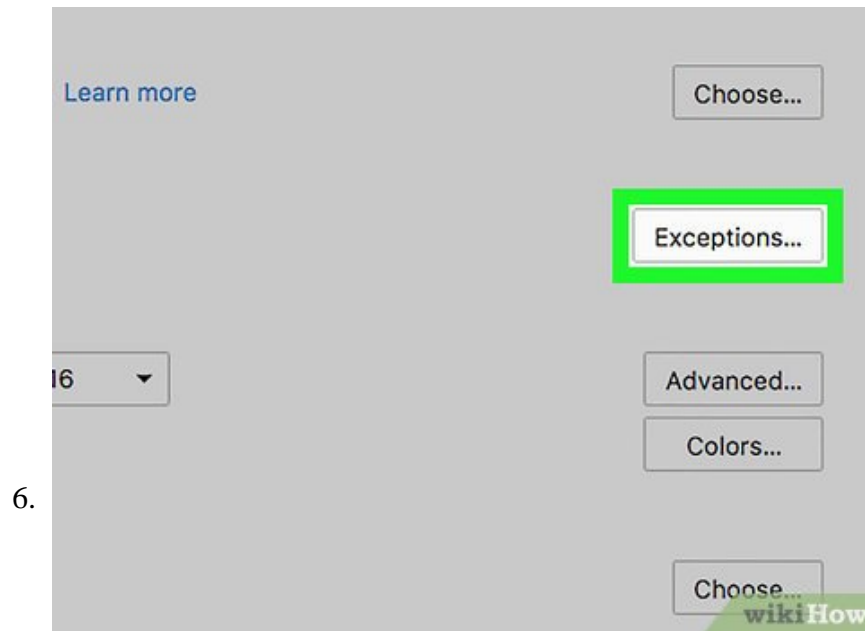
1. Alternatively, type `about:preferences` in Firefox's address bar, and hit `Enter` on your keyboard. It will open the same page.
2. You can also use the `⌘, ,` keyboard shortcut for Preferences.



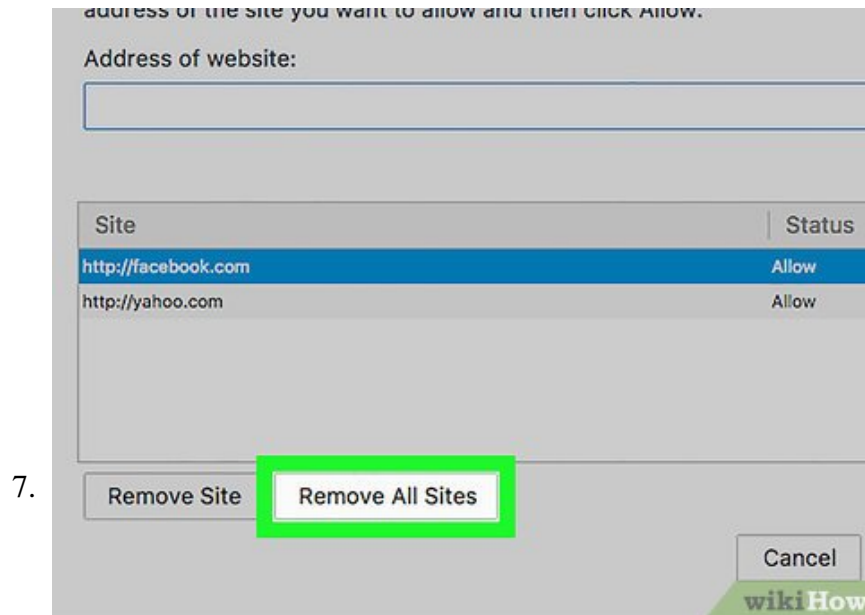
Click **Content** on the left panel. Firefox lets you navigate to different menus via a navigation panel on the left-hand side of the Preferences screen. The Content option is listed next to a page icon on the left panel.



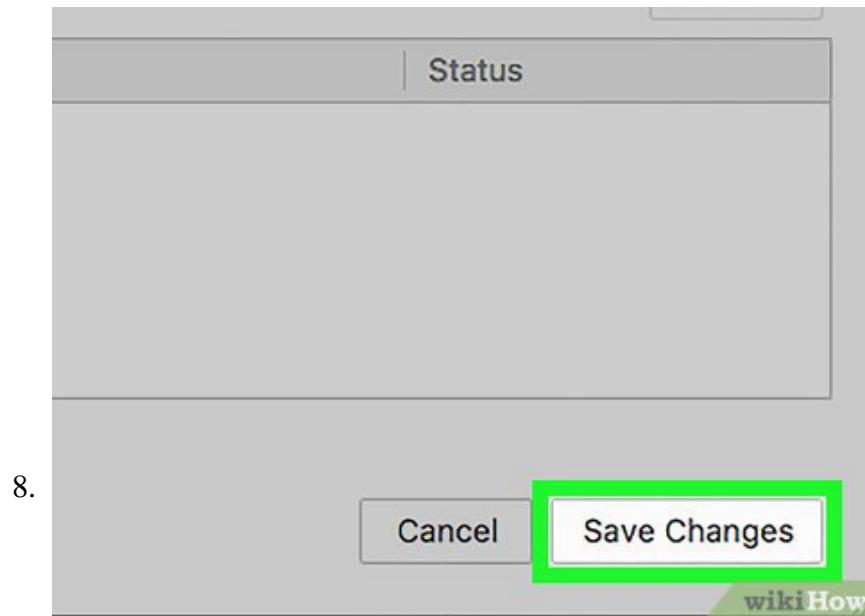
Check the box next to **Block pop-up windows**. It's under the Pop-ups heading in the Content menu. Firefox will now block all pop-up windows that appear when you open or close a web page.



Click **Exceptions**. This button is located next to the Pop-ups heading. It will open a new window with a list of all your pop-up exceptions. Firefox will not block pop-ups from websites saved in your pop-up exceptions list.



Click **Remove All Sites**. This button is located in the lower-left corner of the pop-up exceptions list. It will remove all items on the exceptions list.



Click **Save Changes**. It's in the lower-right corner of the Pop-ups window. Firefox will now have no pop-up exceptions, and block all pop-up windows from all web pages.

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