

Instructions on how to reset network settings on a Mac

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Unlike iPhones or Windows computers, Macs don't have a direct function to reset networks and resolve certain issues. However, you can still do so. There are two methods: deleting the Wi-Fi network from the settings or removing certain system files. Here's how.

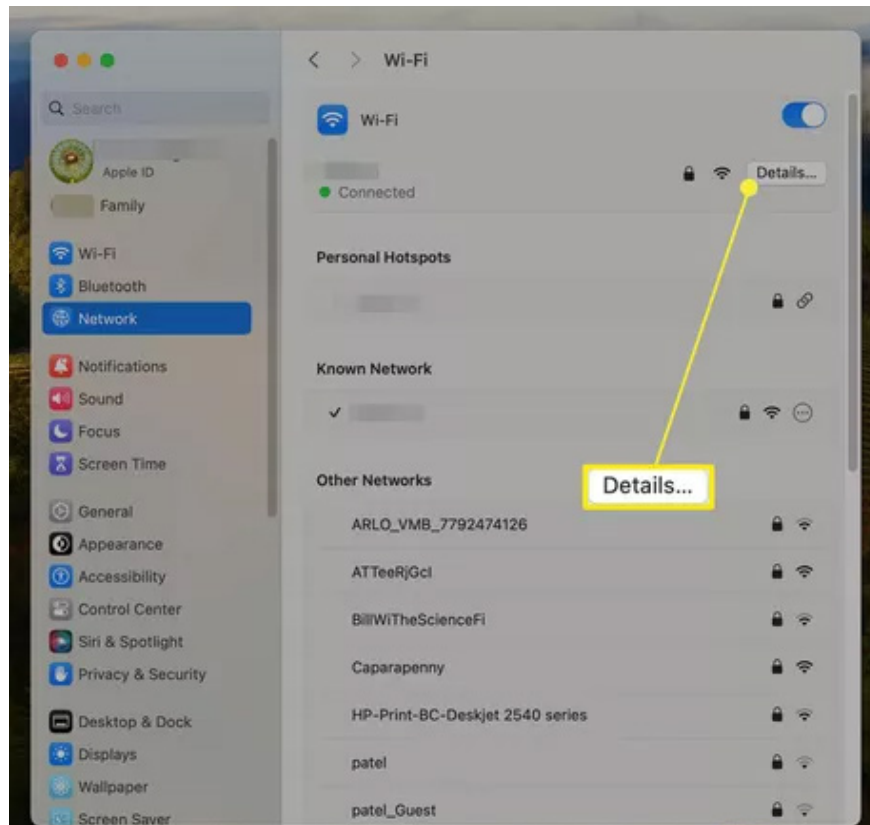
Delete and re-add Wi-Fi connections.

The first method for resetting your Mac's network settings is to delete and re-add the Wi-Fi connection.

For Macs running macOS Ventura or earlier, choose System Preferences > Network > Wi-Fi connection > press the minus sign to remove connected networks.

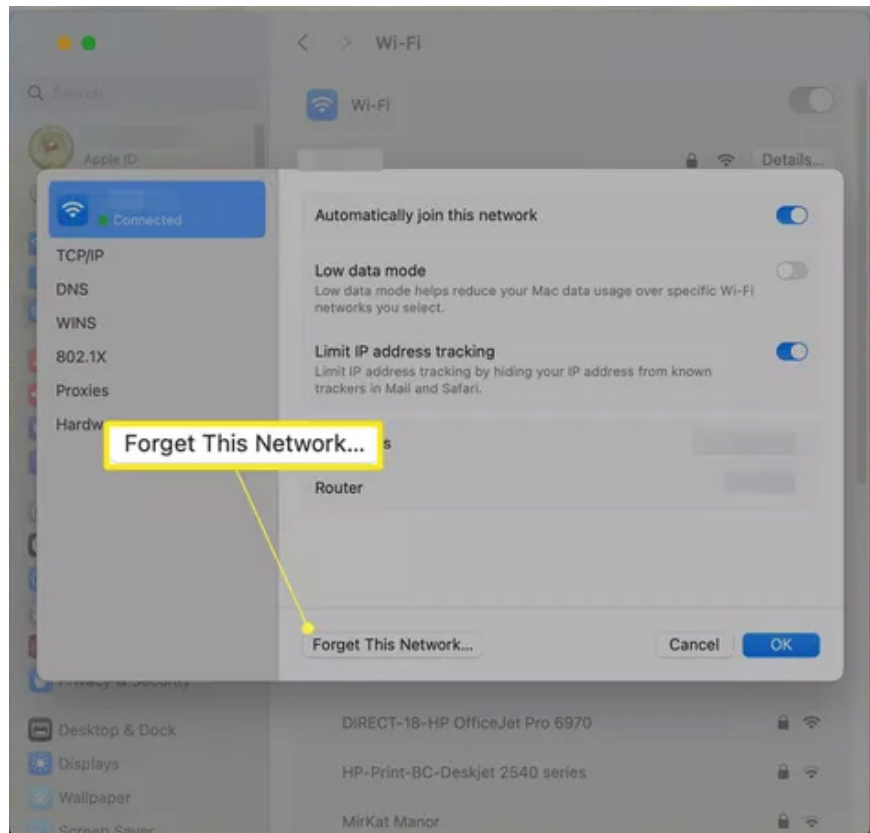
Step 1:

Tap **the WiFi icon** , then **select Wi-Fi Settings** . Next to the name of the connected WiFi network, **tap Details** .



Step 2:

Click on Forget This Network to remove the connection to this network. Finally, **click Remove** to remove this connected network from the list.



How to restore network settings on a Mac

Step 1:

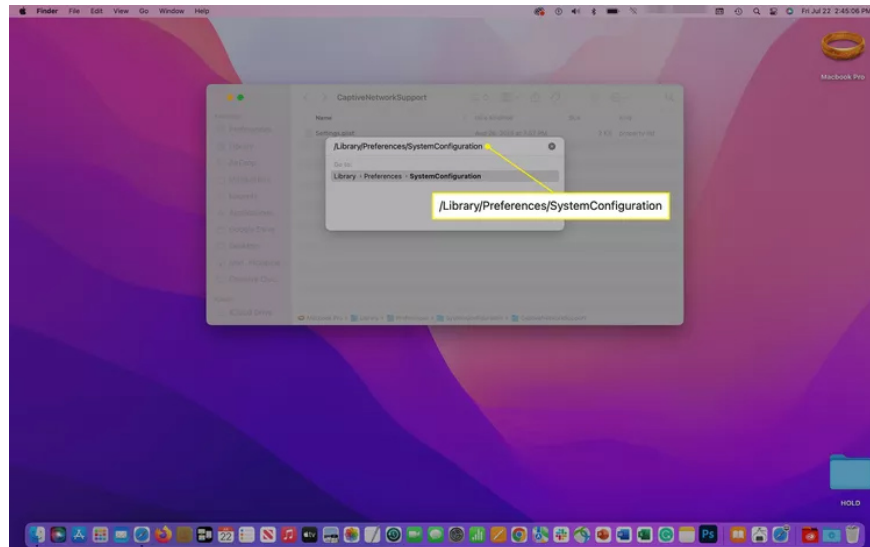
Click the **WiFi icon in the menu bar**, then **turn off your WiFi connection**. Continue by clicking **Go**.



Step 2:

The list will appear; the user **selects "Go to Folder ."** Then, enter the following content into the box and press Enter.

`/Library/Preferences/SystemConfiguration/`



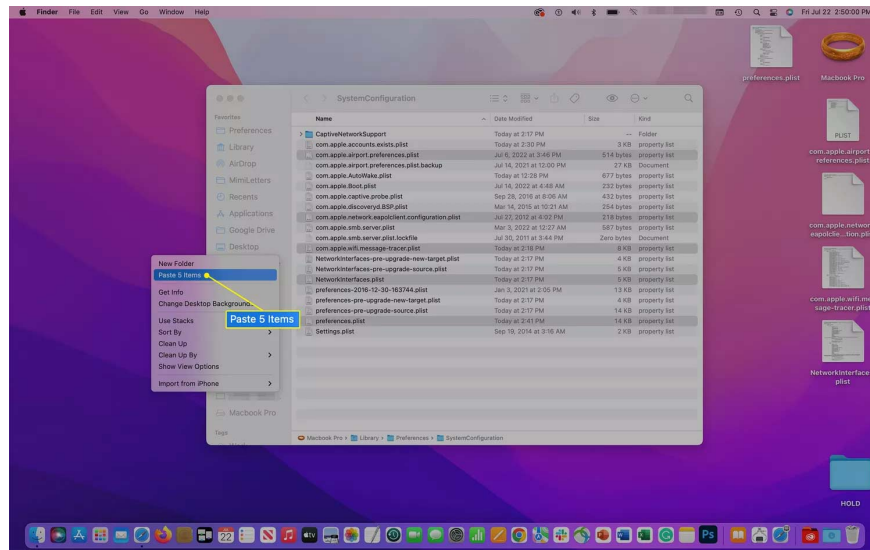
Step 3:

Select the following files:

1. com.apple.airport.preferences.plist
2. com.apple.network.identification.plist
3. com.apple.network.eapolclient/configuration.plist
4. com.apple.wifi.message-tracer.plist
5. NetworkInterfaces.plist
6. preferences.plist

Please note that depending on your macOS version, not all of the above files may be present.

Press and hold the Command key and **click to select the files** , choose **Copy**, then **right-click on the desktop and select Paste** .



Step 4:

Right-click the original files and select Move to Trash to delete them. Restart your Mac as usual and turn on Wi-Fi. The deleted files will automatically be restored to their original location and your network settings will be restored.

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