

Working with Windows: Screen sharing

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Just like file sharing, remote access to a Mac from another Mac is relatively simple. These tools have been built into the OS X operating system, you just need to turn on the screen-sharing function in the *Sharing preference* window. But setting up screen-sharing between Mac and Windows PC takes a bit more effort and it requires installing some third-party software. The biggest problem is that Macs cannot share screens with computers running Windows 7 Home Premium operating systems.

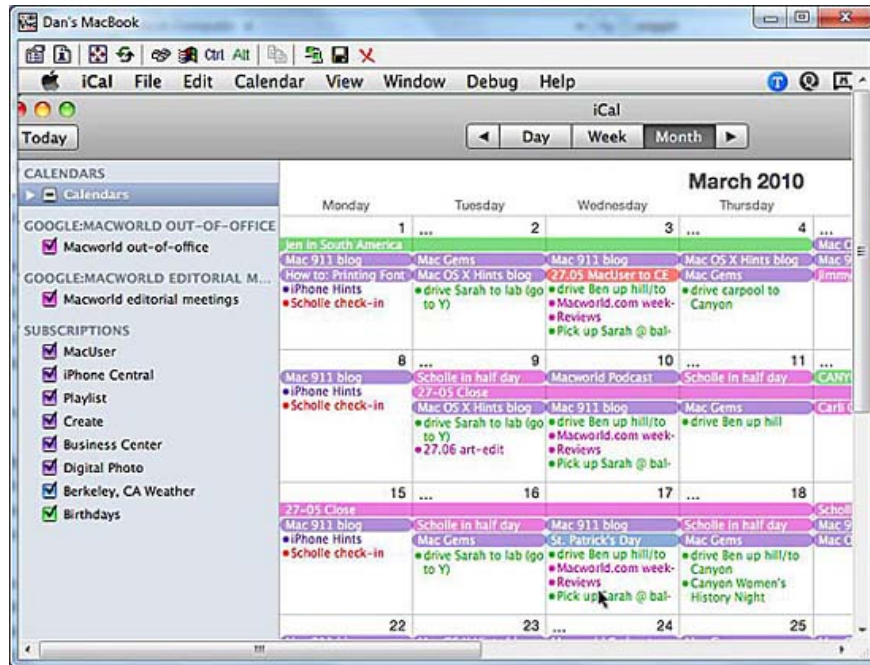
Share screen of Mac

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After downloading and installing a VNC client on your PC, go back to your Mac and open *System Preferences* . Select *Sharing* , and check the *Screen Sharing* option.

The *Screen-sharing* function is now enabled to allow remote users to log in with the Mac administrator's name and password. To allow others to share the Mac's screen, make sure *Screen Sharing* is still selected and click *Computer Settings*. Select *Anyone May Request Permission To Control Screen* , and if you want, you can select *VNC Viewers May Control Screen With Password* , if you select this function, please enter the password. Finally, click *OK* .

Back in the Sharing window, under Screen Sharing: you will see a note with an IP address in the form of *vnc: // ipaddress* , write down this address.



When installing a VPN client on a Windows computer, you can run remote Mac applications like iCal

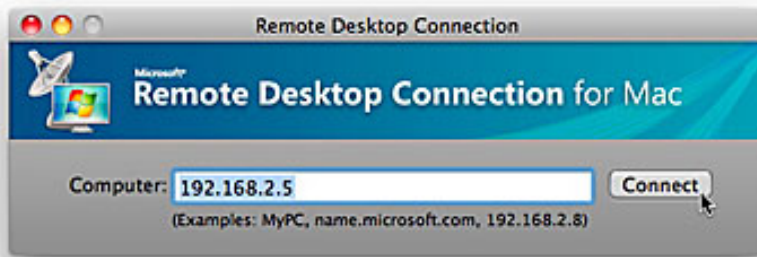
Back on your PC, give your VNC client the IP address above (but no *vnc://* in front). If there are connection problems, check the client's encryption settings: If they are set to ZRLE, try switching to Hextile. In TightVNC, you should do that by opening *VNC Viewer*, clicking on the *Options* button, and then selecting another encryption setting from the *Use Encoding* menu.

Share screen of PC computer

To remotely control a Windows PC, you first need to install the free Microsoft *Remote Desktop Connection Client for Mac component* on your Mac.

Unfortunately, the software does not work with Windows 7 Home Premium, it only works with Windows 7 Professional, Ultimate, and Enterprise, if you want to share the screen of a Home Premium computer, this is what can't be done yet.

Windows XP: Open the *Control Panel* (in *Classic* view mode), double-click the *System* icon, and open the *Remote* tab. Select *Allow Users To Connect Remotely To This Computer function*. (If you are using an XP Home version, check the *Allow Remote Assistance Invitations option*, then click the *Advanced* button and check the *Allow This Computer To Be Controlled Remotely option*.)



When installing Remote Desktop Connection on Mac, you just need to enter PC IP address to connect.

If you are logged in as an administrator, and have a password, click the *Apply* button. If not, click the *Select Remote Users* button to add a new user or create a new user account.

Windows 7: Open *Control Panel* (in *Category* view), followed by *System and Security* . Under *System*, click the *Allow Remote Access link* . In the *Remote* tab of *System Properties*, select the function *Allow Connections from Computers Running Any Version of Remote Desktop* . If you are an administrator of the Windows system, click the *Apply* button. If not, click the *Select Remote Users* button to determine which users can log in to control the PC, if you want, you can also create a new user account that is only for remote control.

Back on the Mac, launch the *Remote Desktop Connection application* . In the *Computer* field, type the IP address of the PC or PC name and click the *Connect* button. Next provide the username, password, and domain name. (In XP, the default domain name is *Workgroup*, in Windows 7, use the computer name).

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