



Power Macintosh 8600 Series

Features

High performance

- 250-MHz or 300-MHz PowerPC processor
- Integrated Iomega Zip drive
- Built-in floating-point processor and 32K on-chip data and 32K instruction caches
- 1MB of Apple Inline Cache (level 2)
- Built-in accelerated graphics card

Communications and multimedia

- 64-bit VRAM graphics subsystem
- Two high-speed serial ports compatible with GeoPort and LocalTalk cables
- 24x-speed CD-ROM drive
- 16-bit stereo audio input and output
- 24-bit composite and S-video input and output

Expandability

- Three industry-standard PCI expansion slots
- SCSI connector for hard disks, CD-ROM drives, and other SCSI devices
- Expansion bays for additional storage devices (3.5- or 5.25-inch)

Compatibility

- Includes 10BASE-T and AAUI-15 Ethernet connectors
- Supports Open Transport networking software (TCP/IP and AppleTalk)
- Runs 680x0 Macintosh applications as well as applications accelerated for Power Macintosh computers
- Reads Mac OS, Windows, MS-DOS, OS/2, and ProDOS floppy disk formats
- Runs MS-DOS and Windows applications via optional PC Compatibility Card from Apple
- Comes with all of the software required for Internet access

Mac OS 7.6.1 system software

- Makes working with different applications consistent, so they're easier to learn and use
- Allows easy customization of your Macintosh to reflect the way you work
- Provides active assistance in learning new features with Apple Guide
- Includes MacLinkPlus file translation software from DataViz

If your profession demands a high-performance, expandable computer, look to the Power Macintosh 8600 series. These powerful computers are optimized for work a variety of media (audio, video, or graphics) tasks.

Featuring 250- or 300-megahertz PowerPC processors, the Power Macintosh 8600 series offers outstanding performance. The new 1MB of Apple Inline Cache on the processor card provides direct access to the cache at 100 megahertz—a first for the Power Macintosh line. And the tower design provides incredibly easy access to the computers' components, as well as accommodating a built-in Iomega Zip drive.

Built-in near-broadcast-quality video-input/output capabilities, a fast hard disk drive, and a 24x-speed CD-ROM drive add vitality to professional projects and—with Apple's QuickTime software—make media authoring on a Power Macintosh 8600 series computer simple. Networking is also a simple matter on these computers, because they include both Ethernet (AAUI-15 and 10BASE-T) and LocalTalk ports. They even come with all the software you need to access the Internet.

The three industry-standard Peripheral Component Interconnect (PCI) high-performance expansion slots on the Power Macintosh 8600 series systems let you customize them easily to meet your needs

more precisely. For example, if you want to run MS-DOS and Windows applications as well as software written for the Macintosh, you can install a PC Compatibility Card from Apple—and switch instantly between computing environments.

In fact, the Power Macintosh 8600/250 and 8600/300 give you yet another system software option. Although these computers come with Mac OS 7.6.1 installed, Apple will also provide Mac OS 8 on CD-ROM for you to upgrade when you're ready. Mac OS 8 is the latest, greatest version of the popular Macintosh system software provides significant performance enhancements, integrated Internet capabilities and state-of-the-art multimedia designed to increase not only your productivity but also your enjoyment through desktop management.

The Power Macintosh 8600/250 and 8600/300: Exceptional performance for media authoring—or any work with video, audio, or graphics—to enhance your creativity.





Power Macintosh 8600 Series

Ordering Information

Power Macintosh 8600/250

Order No. M5905LL/A

- Power Macintosh 8600/250 computer with 32MB of RAM, a built-in 1.4MB Apple SuperDrive floppy disk drive, an internal 4GB hard disk drive, an internal 24x-speed CD-ROM drive, an internal Iomega Zip drive, and a PlainTalk microphone. Includes keyboard and mouse; system software version 7.6.1 or later; Internet access software; complete setup, learning, and reference documentation; and limited warranty.

Power Macintosh 8600/300

Order No. M6092LL/A

- Power Macintosh 8600/300 computer with 32MB of RAM, a built-in 1.4MB Apple SuperDrive floppy disk drive, an internal 4GB hard disk drive, an internal 24x-speed CD-ROM drive, an internal Iomega Zip drive, and a PlainTalk microphone. Includes keyboard and mouse; system software version 7.6.1 or later; Internet access software; complete setup, learning, and reference documentation; and limited warranty.

PC Compatibility Card (with Pentium 166-MHz processor)

Order No. M5782LL/A

Product specifications are subject to change. Check with your Apple reseller for the most current information about product specifications and configurations.

Technical Specifications

Processor

- 250- or 300-MHz 604e PowerPC microprocessor
- Integrated floating-point unit, 32K on-chip data and instruction caches
- 1MB of Apple Inline Cache (level 2) on processor card

Memory

- 32MB of RAM, expandable to 512MB via 8 DIMM sockets
- 4MB of ROM

Disk drives

- Internal 4GB Fast SCSI hard disk
- Internal Apple SuperDrive floppy disk drive
 - Accepts high-density 1.4MB disks and 800K disks
 - Reads, writes, and formats Macintosh, Windows, MS-DOS, OS/2, and ProDOS disks
- Internal 24x-speed CD-ROM drive
- Integrated Iomega Zip drive for fast, easy storage or backup
- Expansion bays for additional storage devices—four 5.25-inch removable bays, three internal bays (open bays vary with configuration)

Interfaces

- Three PCI expansion slots compatible with PCI 2.0-compliant cards
- Two high-speed DMA serial (RS-232/RS-422) ports compatible with LocalTalk and GeoPort cables
- 10BASE-T and AAUI-15 Ethernet connectors; optional PC Compatibility Card provides multinode support for simultaneous network connections
- Internal Fast SCSI bus (up to 10MB/s)
- External SCSI bus (up to 5MB/s)
- Apple Desktop Bus (ADB) expansion port
- RCA phono jacks for line-level stereo audio input and output
- Mini jacks for stereo audio input and output
- All sound ports support 16-bit audio and up to 44.1-kHz sampling rate
- DB-15 connector for monitor
- Composite connectors (RCA phono jacks) for composite video input and output
- S-video input and output connectors
- Internal digital audio/video (DAV) connector for video compression/decompression cards

Video capabilities

- 24-bit video input
- Real-time video playthrough of up to 640 by 480 pixels with NTSC; 768 by 576 pixels with PAL and SECAM

- Up to 320- by 240-pixel capture at 25 frames per second with NTSC (with 4GB drive)
- Maximum capture size of 640 by 480 pixels with NTSC
- 24-bit video output
- Support for NTSC and PAL
- Convolution for flicker reduction at all bit depths

Graphics support

- 2MB of VRAM, expandable to 4MB
- Fast 64-bit data path to VRAM
- Support for display formats up to 1,280 by 1,024 pixels
- 24-bit color up to 1,152- by 870-pixel resolution
- Refresh rate of up to 75 Hz

GeoPort telephony*

- 28.8-Kbit/s modem support
- V.17 fax support
- GeoPort Fax and GeoPort Telephony software included
- Speakerphone and answering-machine capability

Clock/calendar

- Custom integrated circuit with long-life battery

Keyboard and mouse

- Includes keyboard and ADB Mouse II

Electrical requirements and compliance

- Line voltage: 100 to 125/200 to 240 V AC, RMS single phase, automatically configured
- Frequency: 50 to 60 Hz, single phase
- Power: 300 W maximum, not including display

ADB power requirements

- Maximum current draw for all devices: 500 mA (a maximum of three ADB devices is recommended)
- Mouse draws 10 mA
- Keyboard draws 25 to 80 mA (varies with keyboard used)

Size and weight

- Height: 17.3 in. (44.0 cm)
- Width: 9.7 in. (24.6 cm)
- Depth: 17.3 in. (44.0 cm)
- Weight: 35.0 lb. (15.9 kg)**

Environmental requirements

- Operating temperature: 50° to 104° F (10° to 40° C)
- Storage temperature: -40° to 116° F (-40° to 47° C)
- Relative humidity: 5% to 95% noncondensing
- Maximum altitude: 10,000 ft. (3,048 m)

*Requires GeoPort Telecom Adapter.

**May differ based on configuration.

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