

Prism 256 Application & MDEF

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Prism 256 application demonstrates a custom menu I created for quick, easy, and informed color selection from the standard 256 Macintosh colors.

Press the Option key, or drag across the eye dropper, to toggle desktop color selection on and off. When on, you can select a color from anywhere on the desktop, not just from the menu. You can use Prism 256 in this mode to get the red, green, and blue color values for any pixel on any of your screens — particularly useful if you are color blind like me and can't tell purple from blue!

If you are running System 7, press the Command key to select a gradient of the current color.

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Prism 256 MDEF, the menu definition procedure code which calculates, displays, and manages the Prism 256 color selection menu, is a commercial product and programmers can license it from me.

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In general, at this point in time, I cannot provide technical support for the Prism 256 MDEF, other than the documentation provided to licensees.

Although I have programmed Prism 256 application and Prism 256 MDEF in all good faith, neither I nor anyone else will be held liable for real or alleged damages associated with it. The Prism 256 MDEF is sold as is.

I have tested Prism 256 on a Mac II, Mac II si, and Mac Quadra 900 (with cache on).

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