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## PowerBook/DOS Companion: Description

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TOPIC -----

This article describes the PowerBook/DOS Companion software product.

DISCUSSION -----

With Apple's PowerBook/DOS Companion, you can:

- Connect a Macintosh PowerBook computer to any PC-compatible (Intel- or MS-DOS-compatible) computer, either desktop or laptop, either with the kit's cable or via modems.
- Transfer files between the two computers in either direction, and convert files between the most popular word processing, graphics, spreadsheet, and database formats.
- Use MS-DOS or Windows 3.5-inch diskettes as if they were Macintosh diskettes.
- Connect to most VGA monitors with a PowerBook 160 or 180, or with a PowerBook Duo 210 or 230 connected to a Macintosh Duo MiniDock.
- Print documents directly from your PowerBook with your printer -- whether it's a laser, ink-jet, or dot-matrix -- using PowerPrint.

What's Included

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MacLinkPlus/PC from DataViz

- Handles file translations and transfers from DOS and Windows to Macintosh
- Works with more than 700 of the most popular word processing, graphics, spreadsheet, and database programs
- Includes direct connect cable

Macintosh PC Exchange software from Apple

- Recognizes MS-DOS, Windows, and OS/2 disks

MacVGA Video Adapter from James Engineering

- Supports most VGA and SVGA monitors to display work in 256 colors

- Works with PowerBook 160 and 180, and with PowerBook Duo 210 and 230 connected to a Macintosh Duo MiniDock

PowerPrint from GDT Softworks

- Supports print drivers for more than 1000 printers
- Includes serial-to-parallel cable

Support

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All of these products work with desktop Macintosh computers, as well as with PowerBooks. Apple supports Macintosh PC Exchange; support for the other software products in the kit is provided by their respective vendors.

Ordering Information

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- PowerBook/DOS Companion
- Order No. M9400LL/A

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