MacBook Pro 13" Software: Safe Simple Customizing Replacement

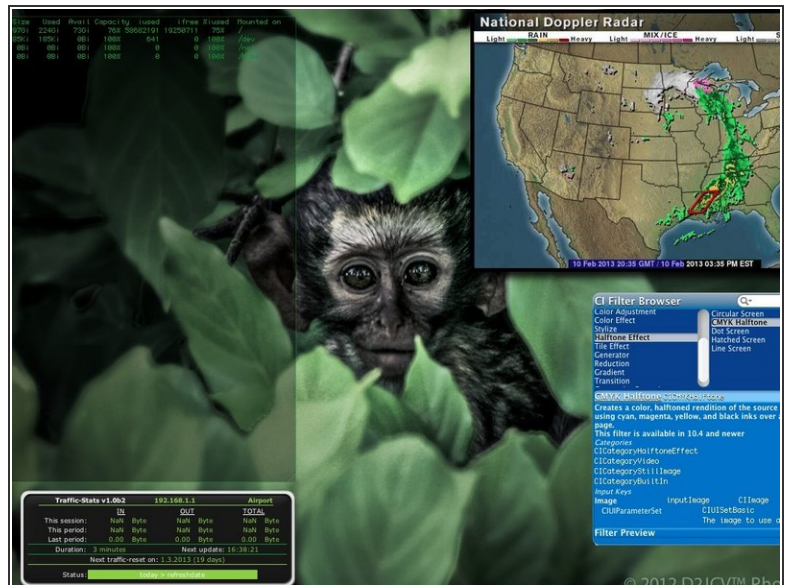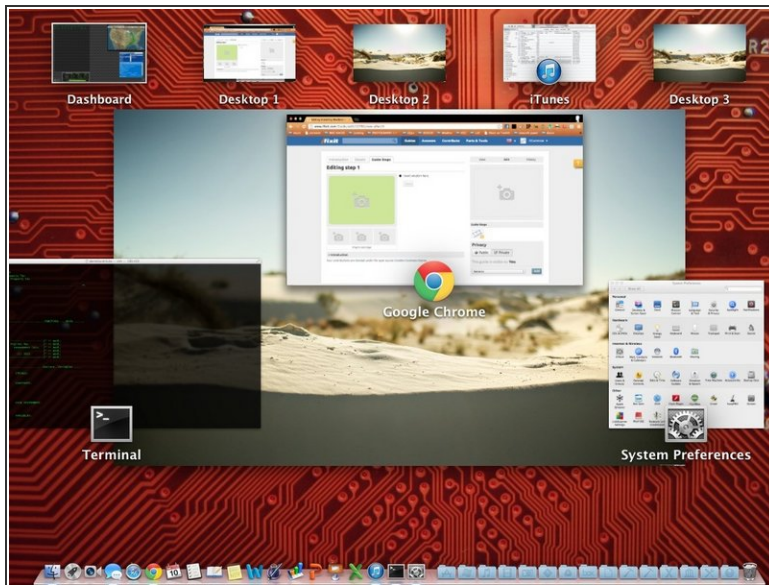Change Background in Dashboard and in Mission Control!

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INTRODUCTION

Where to go to locate image files responsible for Mission control and dashboard backgrounds. Then I will show you HOW TO SAFELY AND PROPERLY CHANGE THEM!

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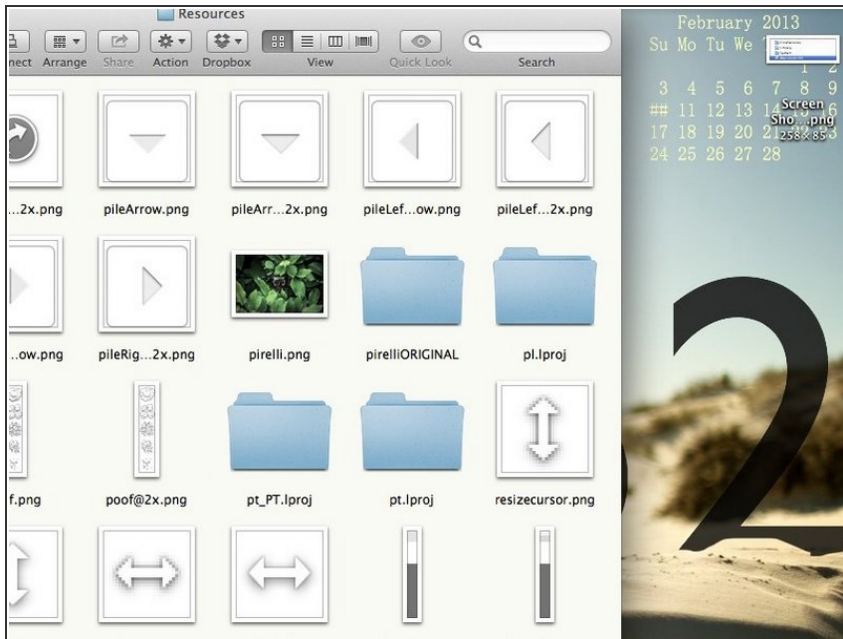## Step 1 — Software: Safe Simple Customizing

- As Always: Be Careful. The Files around what you are working with ARE VITAL TO YOU Operating SYSTEM and IT's UI!
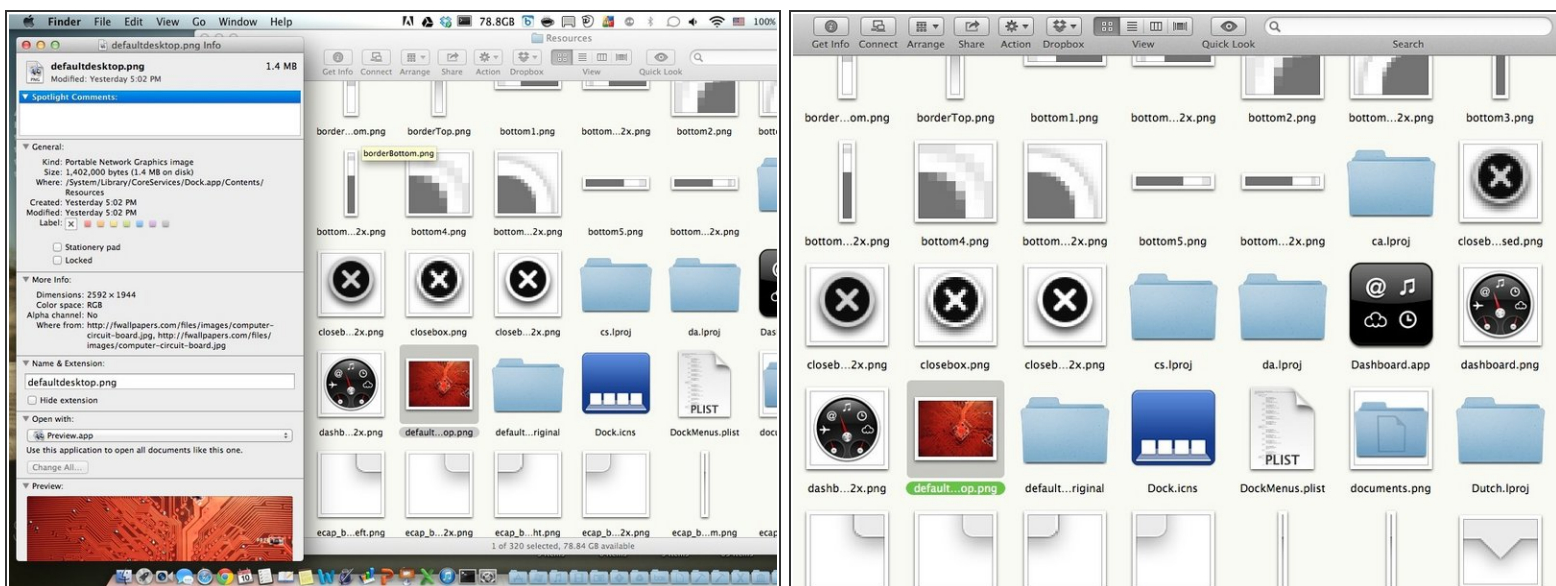
Step 2

- Open up Finder.

- Navigate to your System Hard Drive (ie: Mine is "Macintosh HD")

- Open "SYSTEM"

- Open "LIBRARY"

- Open "CORE SERVICES"

- NOW BE CAREFUL Some of these Apps are important! Find the app "DOCK.APP" open the menu (right click/two finger click) and click "SHOW PACKAGE CONTENTS"

- Open "CONTENTS"

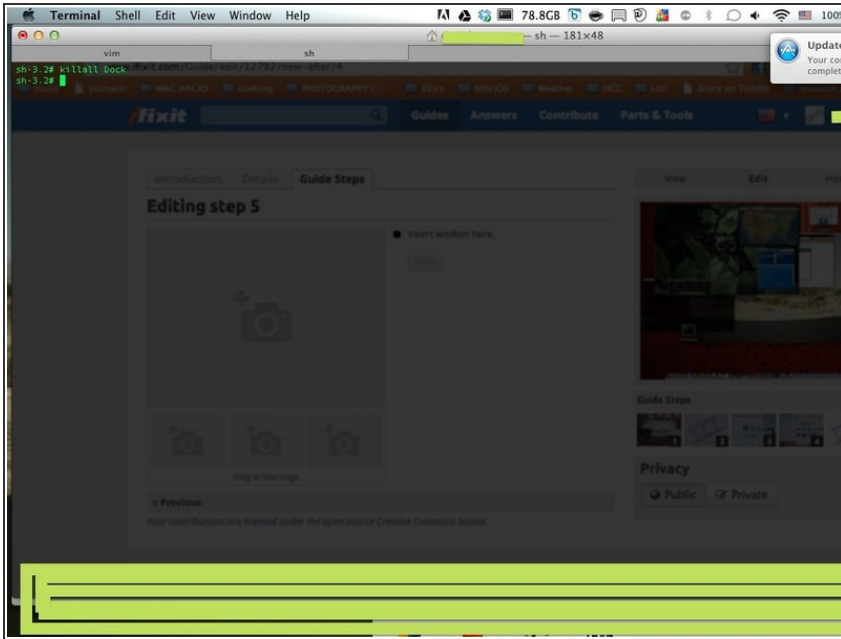- AGAIN BE CAREFUL HERE!!! Open "RESOURCES"

Step 3

- The Files within this folder are very important for part of your Mac's GUI; So Only mess with the following files mentioned!

  - "PIRELLI.png" & PIRELLI@2... These files are responsible for you dashboard background and Mission Control Tab for Dashboard(if enabled)

  - There is a set Tiling mode in the OS so selecting an image of proper size is crucial.

  - Create a new folder called "pirelliORIGINAL" and place these two AND ONLY TWO files here

  - Next Take your desired Image and rename it to "pirelli.png"

  - Dimensions: I Use 2880 x1900

  - And as shown move the image to the RESOURCES FOLDER

Step 4

- Now for Mission Control:

- Same steps as before instead find the files labeled "defaultdesktop.png" & " defaultdesktop@2x.png"

- put in a new folder labeled "defaultdesktopORIGINAL"

- Chose Your Image (Make sure it is a Higher Resolution Image) and rename it to defaultdesktop.png

- Again Drag the new image to this folder ("RESOURCES")

- So the files are moved and in place, now to activate it...

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Step 5

- open up your terminal

- type the following EXACTLY (case-sensitive) **killall Dock** [press enter]

- *You may need to have super user permissions for the step above. If so, add the word "sudo" before the command above. (So the whole command will read **sudo killall Dock**)

- 'YOU SHOULD NOW SEE YOUR NEW BACKDROPS!""

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.

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