

Movie2iTunes 1.4 - 2010-09-29

This Droplet allows you to add other than plain Quicktime movies to iTunes.

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<<http://dettmer.maclab.org/m2i>>

iTunes TV Show Tagging

Movie2iTunes analyzes the name of the video files and if it detects a TV show, sets the right video kind, season and episode.

Assumptions on the file name format:

- * Title Season Episode
- * season starts with s or S
- * episode starts with e or E
- * season and episode numbers have at least one digit

OR

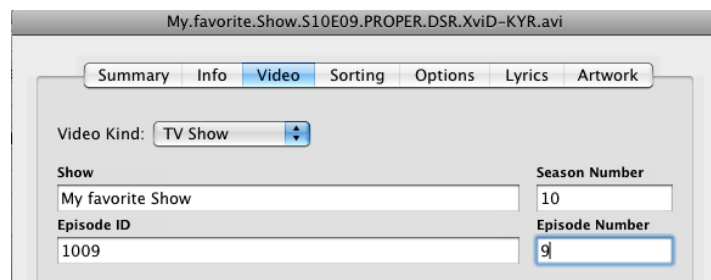
- * Title Season x Episode

e.g.

My.favorite.Show.S10E09.PROPER.DSR.XviD-KYR.avi

My.favorite.Show.10x09.PROPER.DSR.XviD-KYR.avi

are tagged:



How does it work?

Drag'n'Drop one or more movie files on the Droplet icon - you can also drag a movie folder on the Droplet.

Supported File Formats and Extensions

All QuickTime video formats are supported - get Perian and Flip4Mac to play even more video formats.

A file reference in the QuickTime media link format is created (a few KB per movie) and the reference file is then added to the iTunes library.

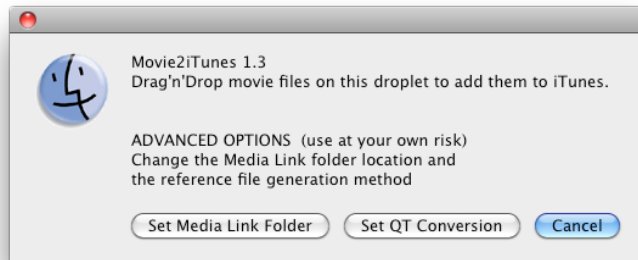
Please note:

Some of the file formats need special software for playback. If a file won't play in iTunes, check if it plays in the QuickTime Player. If the QT Player cannot playback the file, iTunes won't neither.

On the first launch of the Droplet you have to select a folder for the "QuickTime media links" - I have made a new folder in my Movie folder, but you can choose any other folder, too.

Advanced Options

Open the Movie2iTunes droplet by double clicking in the Finder to see the advanced options dialog

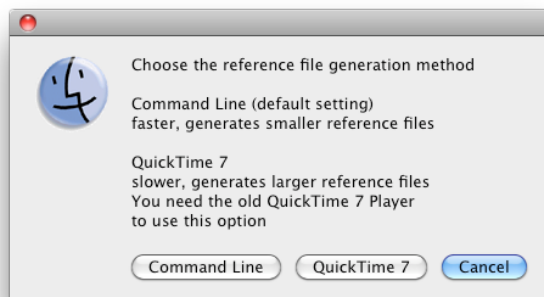


Set Media Link Folder



Allows you to set a new location for the "QuickTime media links" folder - only new files will be stored at this location. The standard file dialog is used to set the new folder location, you can cancel the operation with the "Cancel" button to keep the old location.

Set QT conversion



Prior to version 1.1 of Movie2iTunes the QuickTime player was used to create the media link reference files. Although this was the "right way" to do it, this method was rather slow and created large files about 2 to 5 MB. Starting with version 1.1 the reference file is created by using the command line to write the .mov file manually. This is not only much faster but created much smaller files - some KB instead of MB.

Some users complained that they had problems with the manually created files - especially when they tried to add their own artwork for the movie files.

If you have problems with setting the artworks and still use the QT 7 player (the player is an optional install on your SnowLeopard DVD) you can try to use the old creation method - but your mileage may vary.

Recommended QuickTime Plugins

Perian <<http://perian.org/>>

a free plugin that enables QuickTime to play almost every popular video format

- * AVI, FLV, and MKV file formats
- * MS-MPEG4 v1 & v2, DivX, 3ivX, H.264, FLV1, FSV1, VP6, H263I, VP3, HuffYUV, FFVHuff, MPEG1 & MPEG2 Video,

- * Fraps, Windows Media Audio v1 & v2, Flash ADPCM, Xiph Vorbis (in Matroska), MPEG Layer II Audio
- * AVI support for: AAC, AC3 Audio, H.264, MPEG4, and VBR MP3
- * Subtitle support for SSA and SRT

Flip4Mac <<http://www.microsoft.com/windows/windowsmedia/player/wmcomponents.msp>>
plays Windows Media files (.wma and .wmv) directly in QuickTime Player

Version History

- 1.0.1 Fixed a 'variable not defined' bug
- 1.0.2 Added m2v extension
- 1.1 Added recursive movie processing (folders in folders in folders ...)
 - Added a faster movie link generation routine (thanks to adamATpeterbull)
- 1.1.1 Added a set new "QuickTime media links" folder option
- 1.1.2 saved as an Application Bundle to reduce launch time on Intel Macs
- 1.1.3 added more file formats (Perian 1.0)
- 1.2 season/episode detection and tagging
- 1.3 added some advanced options
- 1.4 added seasonXepisode detection and tagging