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System 7 RAM Disk: Macintosh Computers Supported (2/95)

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TOPIC ---

Which Macintosh computers support the RAM Disk feature of System 7.x?

DISCUSSION --

Here's the list:

- Macintosh IIvx
- Macintosh Centris 610
- Macintosh Centris 650
- Macintosh Centris 660AV
- Macintosh Color Classic
- Macintosh LC III
- Macintosh LC 475
- Macintosh LC 520
- Macintosh LC 550
- Macintosh LC 575
- Macintosh LC 630
- Macintosh Performa 410
- Macintosh Performa 450
- Macintosh Performa 460
- Macintosh Performa 466
- Macintosh Performa 467
- Macintosh Performa 475
- Macintosh Performa 476
- Macintosh Performa 550
- Macintosh Performa 600
- Macintosh Performa 630, 635, 636, 637, 638
- Macintosh Portable
- Macintosh Quadra 605
- Macintosh Quadra 630
- Macintosh Quadra 660AV
- Macintosh Quadra 700
- Macintosh Quadra 800
- Macintosh Quadra 840AV
- Macintosh Quadra 900
- Macintosh Quadra 950
- All Power Macintosh models

- PowerBook 100
- PowerBook 140 and 145
- PowerBook 145B
- PowerBook 150
- PowerBook 170
- PowerBook 160
- PowerBook 165
- PowerBook 165c
- PowerBook 180
- PowerBook 180c
- PowerBook 520
- PowerBook 520c
- PowerBook 540
- PowerBook 540c
- PowerBook Duo 210
- PowerBook Duo 230
- PowerBook Duo 250
- PowerBook Duo 270c
- PowerBook Duo 280
- PowerBook Duo 280c

The RAM Disk feature was first built into the ROMs of the Quadra models, and subsequent models include this feature. Models without this code in ROM can't support the System 7.x RAM disk feature, and no software workaround is currently available.

Third-party software is available to provide this function for most Macintosh models. You can use shareware programs, like Ram Disk or AppDisk, available on most on-line services. Or you can purchase Maxima from Connectix. To locate a vendor's address and phone numbers, use the vendor name as a search string.

Note: The Assistant Toolbox extension in the PowerBook File Assistant saves the RAM disk contents between shutdowns.

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