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Thread: [Where to get macOS Sierra](#)

HOMODIN - August 8, 2019, 3:18 am

I have this old macbook that I'm trying to give some new life to since the battery is still rather good in it. The plan is to throw in a new SSD since I have several of them here and they are literally just collecting dust. However the issue now is that I can't seem to find the installation files (iso or what ever name it goes by with apple)...all the instructions that I find refer to the App Store and then says that macOS Sierra should be downloaded from there...fine, I have found it in the store but I'm unable to download it from there, when I hit "Get" literally nothing happens and I can't seem to find a workaround for it either.

Any suggestions?

Some details

MacBook (late 2009)

Mac OS X 10.6.8

Bastille - August 8, 2019, 9:51 am

I encountered the case some years ago, so I made a Time Machine save, and then when I boot my Mac I had an option to copy the time machine save to the new disk

991z3r0 - August 8, 2019, 11:28 am

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HOMODIN - August 8, 2019, 3:52 pm

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Ah yes idk why i didn't realize the recovery partition is on the installed drive and not built into the board.

You could go the time machine route or i guess potentially using a drive clone tool and just cloning either the whole drive over or clone it for the the recovery partition.

VoIPv2 - August 11, 2019, 10:46 am

In order to get the iso, you need to download the image from another macbook/imac etc that supports that version.

Example: (For Mojave)

<https://www.ifixit.com/Guide/How+to+install+macOS+Mojave+on+Unsupported+Macs/115162>

