

The Best Shortcuts for Safari Users on macOS



Arm yourself with these keyboard and link shortcuts for a faster, smoother browsing experience in Safari on macOS.

Tab and Window Management

Cmd + N	Open new window
Shift + Cmd + N	Open new private window
Cmd + T	Open new tab
Option + Cmd + T	Open new tab at end of tab bar
1Cmd + L	Select address bar content
1Cmd + Return	Open address bar URL in new background tab
Shift + Cmd + Return	Open address bar URL in new foreground tab
2Cmd + click	Open link in new background tab
2Option + Cmd + click	Open link in new background window
2Shift + Cmd + click	Open link in new foreground tab
2Option + Shift + Cmd + click	Open link in new foreground window
3Cmd + M	Minimize current window
Cmd + W	Close current tab
Option + Cmd + W	Close all tabs except current tab
Shift + Cmd + W	Close current window
Option + Shift + Cmd + W	Close all windows
4Cmd + Shift + T	Reopen last closed tab/window
Control + Tab OR Shift + Cmd +]	Switch to next tab
Shift + Control + Tab OR Shift + Cmd + [Switch to previous tab
5Cmd + 1/2/...	Switch to first tab/second tab/...
Cmd + 9	Switch to last tab i.e. tab at end of tab bar
6Option + Cmd + 1,2..9	Open first/second/... bookmark listed under Favorites
Shift + Cmd + \	Toggle Tab Overview
Option + click Close button	Close all tabs except tab whose close button you clicked
Cmd + Q	Quit Safari

Webpage Content

Up Arrow	Scroll up
Down Arrow	Scroll down
Left Arrow	Scroll left
Right Arrow	Scroll right
Option + Arrow key	Scroll in larger increments
Spacebar OR Page Down	Scroll down a screen
Shift + Spacebar OR Page Up	Scroll up a screen
Cmd + Up Arrow OR Fn + Left Arrow OR Home	Scroll to top of webpage
Cmd + Down Arrow OR Fn + Right Arrow OR End	Scroll to bottom of webpage
Cmd + +	Zoom in on webpage content
Cmd + -	Zoom out of webpage content
Option + Cmd + +	Make webpage text bigger
Option + Cmd + -	Make webpage text smaller
Cmd + 0	Restore webpage content to default size
Cmd + R	Reload webpage

Option + Cmd + R	Reload webpage from origin i.e. without using browser cache
Cmd + .	Stop webpage from loading
Cmd +] OR Cmd + Right Arrow	Go to next page in history
Cmd + [OR Cmd + Left Arrow	Go to previous page in history
Hold Back/Forward toolbar button	View history of current tab in a list
Shift + Cmd + H	Go to homepage
Option + Cmd + S	Search results SnapBack
Cmd + F	Find text on page
1. Cmd + F 2. Cmd + E	Find selected text on page
Cmd + G OR Return	Move forward through matching text results
Shift + Cmd + G OR Shift + Return	Move backward through matching text results

Reading and Bookmarks - I

Shift + Cmd + R	Toggle Reader view for current webpage
Cmd + D	Save current webpage as bookmark
Shift + Cmd + D	Add current webpage to Reading List
7Option + Cmd + Down Arrow	Load next Reading List item
7Option + Cmd + Up Arrow	Load previous Reading List item
Click bookmark in sidebar or double-click in Bookmarks Editor	Open bookmark
Shift + click	Add linked page to Reading List
Cmd + click folder in Favorites bar	Open all bookmarks from folder
Drag bookmark to left/right in Favorites bar	Move bookmark
Drag bookmark off Favorites bar	Remove bookmark

8Reading and Bookmarks - II

9Cmd + click	Select/deselect bookmark/folder
10Shift + click	Select multiple bookmarks/folders
Cmd + double-click	Open bookmark in new background tab
Option + Cmd + double-click	Open bookmark in new background window
Shift + Cmd + double-click	Open bookmark in new foreground tab
Option + Shift + Cmd + double-click	Open bookmark in new foreground window
Spacebar	Open selected bookmark OR Toggle contents of selected bookmark folder
Right Arrow	Open selected folder
Left Arrow	Close selected folder
Return	Highlight name of selected bookmark/folder for editing OR Finish editing name of bookmark/folder
Delete	Deleted selected bookmark/folder

Browser Layout and Views

3Cmd + ,	Open Preferences
Shift + Cmd + B	Toggle Favorites bar
Cmd + /	Toggle status bar
Shift + Cmd + L	Toggle sidebar
Control + Cmd + 1	Toggle Bookmarks sidebar
Control + Cmd + 2	Toggle Reading List sidebar
Shift + Cmd + \	Toggle Tab Overview
11Option + Cmd + L	Toggle Downloads
Option + Cmd + B	Show Bookmarks Editor
Control + Cmd + F	Toggle Full Screen view
Cmd + Y	Show browser history
Esc	Quit Full Screen mode OR Quit Reader View

Development

Option + Cmd + R	Toggle Responsive Design mode
Option + Cmd + I	Show Web Inspector
Option + Shift + Cmd + I	Connect Web Inspector
Option + Cmd + C	Show JavaScript Console
Option + Cmd + U	Show Page Source
Option + Cmd + A	Show Page Resources
Option + Shift + Cmd + T	Start/stop timeline recording
Shift + Cmd + C	Start/stop element selection
Option + Cmd + E	Empty browser caches

Other Shortcuts

Cmd + O	Open file
Option + click file link	Download linked file
Double-click file in Downloads list	Open downloaded file
Cmd + I	Email link to current page

¹Use **Cmd + L** and **Cmd + Return** in that order to duplicate current tab quickly.

²Shortcut works with bookmarks in Favorites bar also.

³Shortcut works in other macOS apps also.

⁴The **Undo** shortcut **Cmd + Z** also works as long as the Close Tab action was the most recent one. Neither shortcut can reopen private browsing tabs and windows.

⁵Shortcut works only for first eight tabs from left.

⁶Shortcut works only for first nine tabs from left. Folders and bookmarks within them don't count.

⁷Shortcut works only when Reading List sidebar is open.

⁸Shortcuts work in Bookmarks Sidebar and Bookmarks Editor.

⁹Shortcut also lets you select multiple, non-contiguous bookmarks/folders.

¹⁰Shortcut works with contiguous bookmarks only.

¹¹Shortcut does not work when Downloads list is empty.