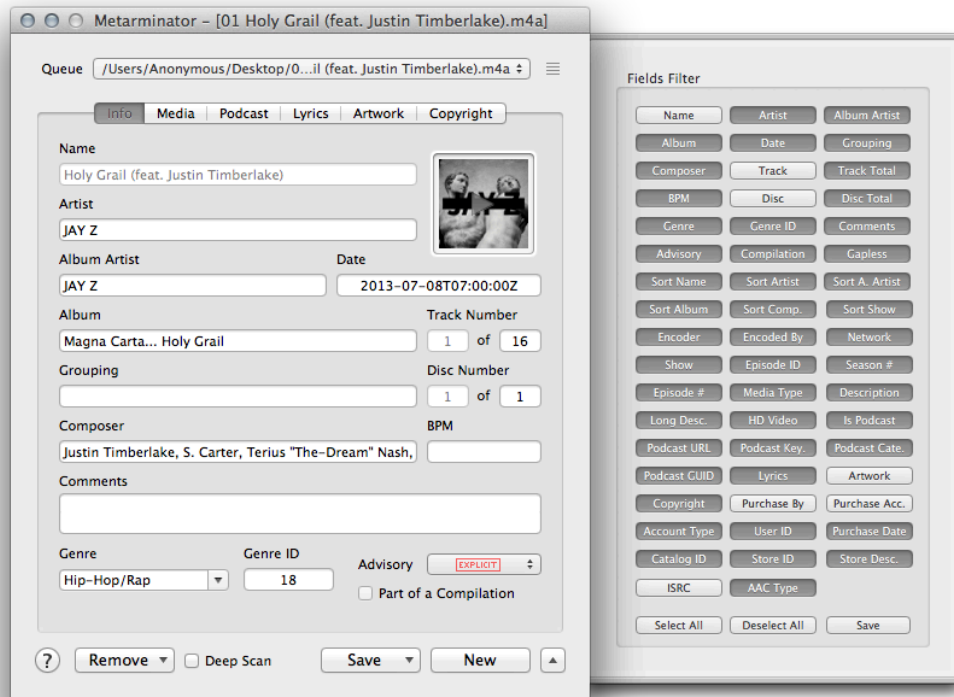


Metarminator

The iTunes Metadata editor for the rest of us.



Description

Metarminator allows you to batch edit **iTunes Metadata** of your iTunes musics and videos, whether iTunes allows you to edit them or not.

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FAQs

Q: Where can I buy Metarminator?

A: You can buy it from the [Mac App Store](#).

You can also try out the demo version, which can't save changes: [Download Demo](#).

Q: What does it do?

A: Metarminator allows you to batch edit iTunes Metadata of your iTunes musics and videos, whether iTunes allows you to edit them or not. Such as your personal purchase info, Apple ID, etc.

Q: What formats does it support?

A: Currently, Metarminator supports those formats that are iTunes Metadata compatible, e.g. **M4A** and **M4V**. (Those you downloaded though iTunes purchases.)

Q: Can I add files by drag and drop?

A: Sure. Simply drag and drop them to the main window or the dock icon.

Q: Why MP3s are not supported?

A: While there are lots of tools out there that can edit ID3 tags, there are only few that do iTunes Metadata. This tool was created to help people get the ability to view, edit or remove the info they wish. As MP3s is **not iTunes Metadata compatible** (it uses **ID3**), it's not supported by Metarminator yet.

Q: Are there limitations to the values?

A: The limitation varies, as listed below.

- **For fields that have string as value:** Less than **256** English characters (Excepts **lyrics**, which has no limit).
- **The fields that have number as value:** Between **0** and **65535**. Some fields might accept larger values.
- **For cover artworks:** You can add **ANY** image that is supported by OS X. They will be converted and stored as **JPEG** in the metadata. You can drag and drop them into the preview box or use the "Add" button.

Q: What's that "Deep Scan" option for?

A: By default, the application will only search the extra data in the first 1024 bytes to shorten the processing time. In the Deep Scan mode, it will however, search the whole file.

If you are altering the "Purchased by" or "User ID", it's advised to have this option turned on.

Q: What's that "Scale" option for cover artwork?

A: If "scale" is enabled, the artwork will be resized to **600px** before it's being stored, depends on the longest side. Exporting format can be **BMP**, **GIF**, **JPEG**, **PNG** and **TIFF**.

Q: Does it has a fields filter?

A: Yes, the right bottom corner button opens a drawer of filters. The disabled fields will not apply to the saving files. You can use the save button at the bottom of the drawer to save current filter selections.

Q: What does the AAC type has to do with the User ID?

A: Apple currently has 5 types of AACs, they can either be:

- **Normal:** Those that are not from Apple will be labeled as AAC files in iTunes.
- **Purchased:** Those are purchased from iTunes will be labeled as Purchased AAC. The User ID must be greater than 0 as it should be purchased by someone to be a "Purchased".
- **Matched:** Those were matched and re-downloaded from iTunes Match (iCloud) will be labeled as Matched AAC. The User ID must be greater than 0 as it should be "Matched" by someone's iCloud account to be a "Matched".
- **Mastered for iTunes:** Some of the musics are mastered for iTunes when they were sold on iTunes Store. This can be either for a Purchased AAC or a Matched AAC file. Normal AAC can't have this tag.

Please aware that this feature is purely experimental. This might not work for every cases.

Q: What does the "Remove Personal Info" feature do?

A: It removes all the data I currently know that are related to personal info that might be able to trace back to you. (**Purchased by, Apple ID, Purchased date, and User ID**) As Apple might add anything new (and possibly hidden), the **ONLY** secure way to make sure a file is untraceable is to re-encode it.

Q: Will it ever support OS X 10.8 or lower?

A: No. Some APIs are only available in 10.9 and above, and Apple has made it a nightmare for developers trying to use old SDKs since Xcode 5.

Q: I found a bug. Where can I report it?

A: Thank you. Please open an issue [here](#).

Q: I wish it to have other features.

A: Sure. Please open an issue [here](#).

Changelog

v1.2:

- **Improve** Code optimized.
- **Changes** Deep Scan is on by default.
- **Changes** New icon.
- **Feature** Fan page link.

v1.1:

- **Improve** Add extra checks for invalid metadata.
- **Improve** Auto rescan when switching Deep Scan mode.

v1.0:

- Initial release.

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