



The evolution of macOS

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2001-2024

2024

Sequoia

macOS 15

Coming fall 2024



Apple Intelligence debuts with new Writing Tools, Image Playground, Genmoji, and improved Siri. iPhone Mirroring now lets you control your locked phone from Mac, and a cross-platform Passwords app arrives.



2023

Sonoma

macOS 14

September 26, 2023



Sonoma brings desktop widgets to the Mac, a Game Mode, and new stunning screensavers. Video conferencing also gets more engaging with great new features to help users present remotely.



2022

Ventura

macOS 13

October 24, 2022



With **Stage Manager**, new multitasking opportunities arrive. **Continuity Camera** enables you to replace Mac webcam with your iPhone camera.



2021

Monterey

macOS 12

October 25, 2021



Universal Control, Shortcuts, and SharePlay bring macOS and iOS even closer together. FaceTime gets some epic visual and audio updates.



2020

Big Sur

macOS 11

November 19, 2020



Epic **design change**: new Control Center, notifications, and more. With the transition to Apple's M1 chips, you can now **run iOS apps natively** on Mac.



Catalina

macOS 10.15

October 7, 2019



iTunes is replaced by dedicated apps for music, movies, and podcasts. It's now possible to port iOS apps to macOS and expand your workspace with Sidecar.



2018

Mojave

macOS 10.14

September 24, 2018



Visual refinements introduced via **Dark Mode** and **Dynamic Desktop** take central stage in Mojave. The new apps migrating from iOS include Stocks, News, Home, and Voice Memos.



2017

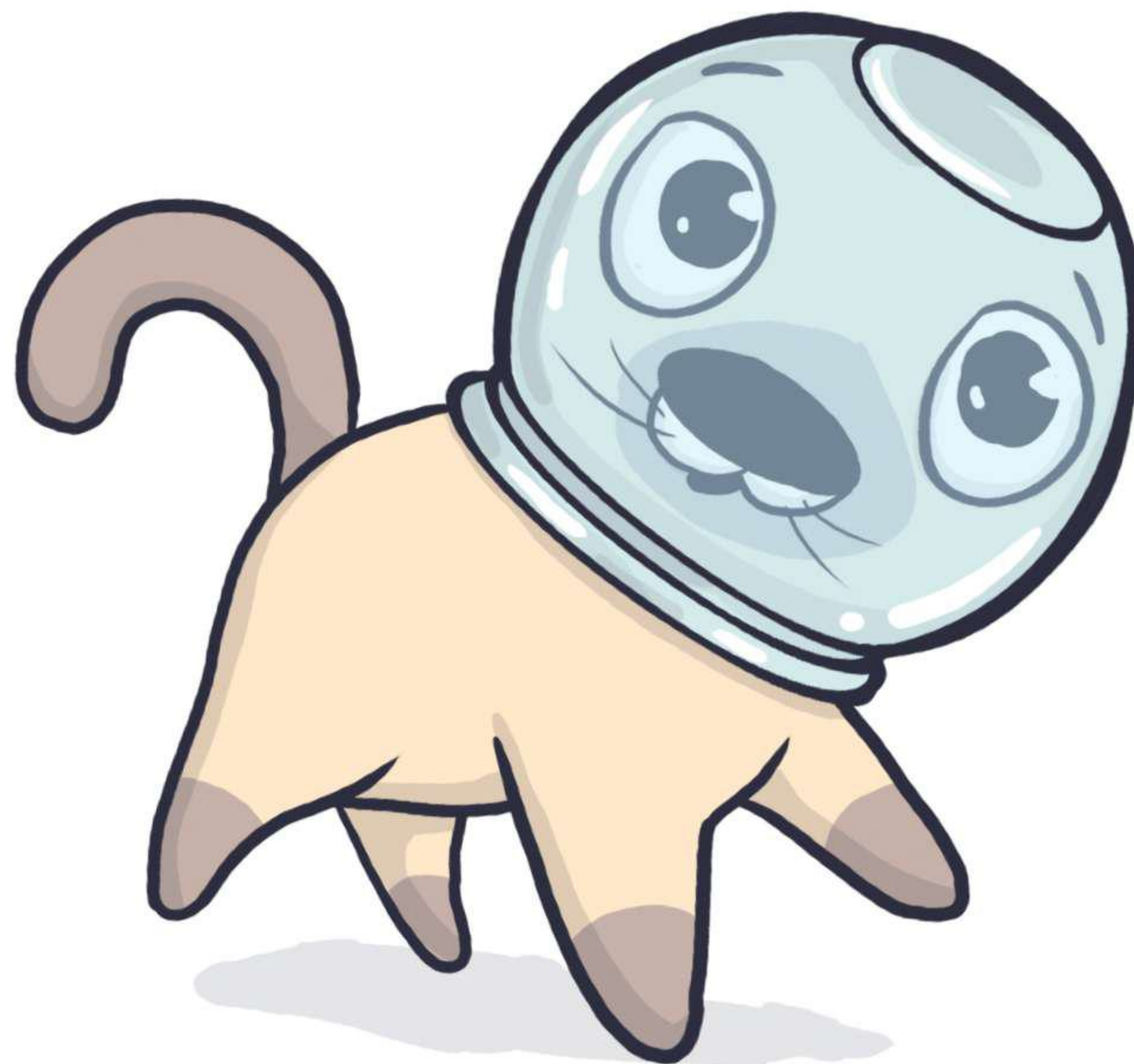
High Sierra

macOS 10.13

September 25, 2017



Major improvements go unnoticed for a user, but the overall performance skyrockets, due to embracing **Apple File System** and a new video standard, **HEVC**.



Sierra

macOS 10.12

September 20, 2016



With Sierra, OS X dies and macOS is born. The renamed system introduces even more iOS perks like **Siri** and unlocking Mac with **Apple Watch**.



El Capitan

OS X 10.11

September 30, 2015



El Capitan features **Split Views** – dual-window functionality for arranging and managing app windows. Plus, OS X 10.11 comes with improved Safari, Mail, and Spotlight.



Yosemite

OS X 10.10

October 16, 2014



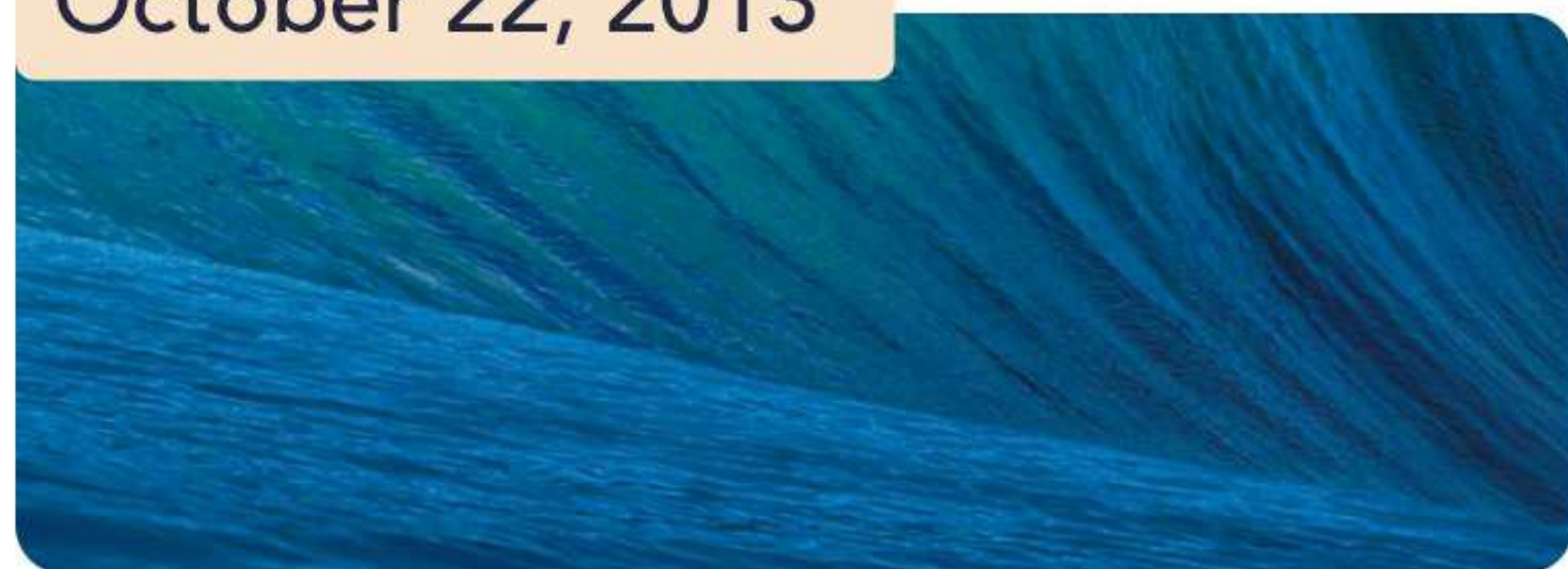
A completely new sleek design is what Yosemite is remembered for. **Continuity** and **Handoff** integrated into the new OS strengthen bonds between iOS and OS X devices.



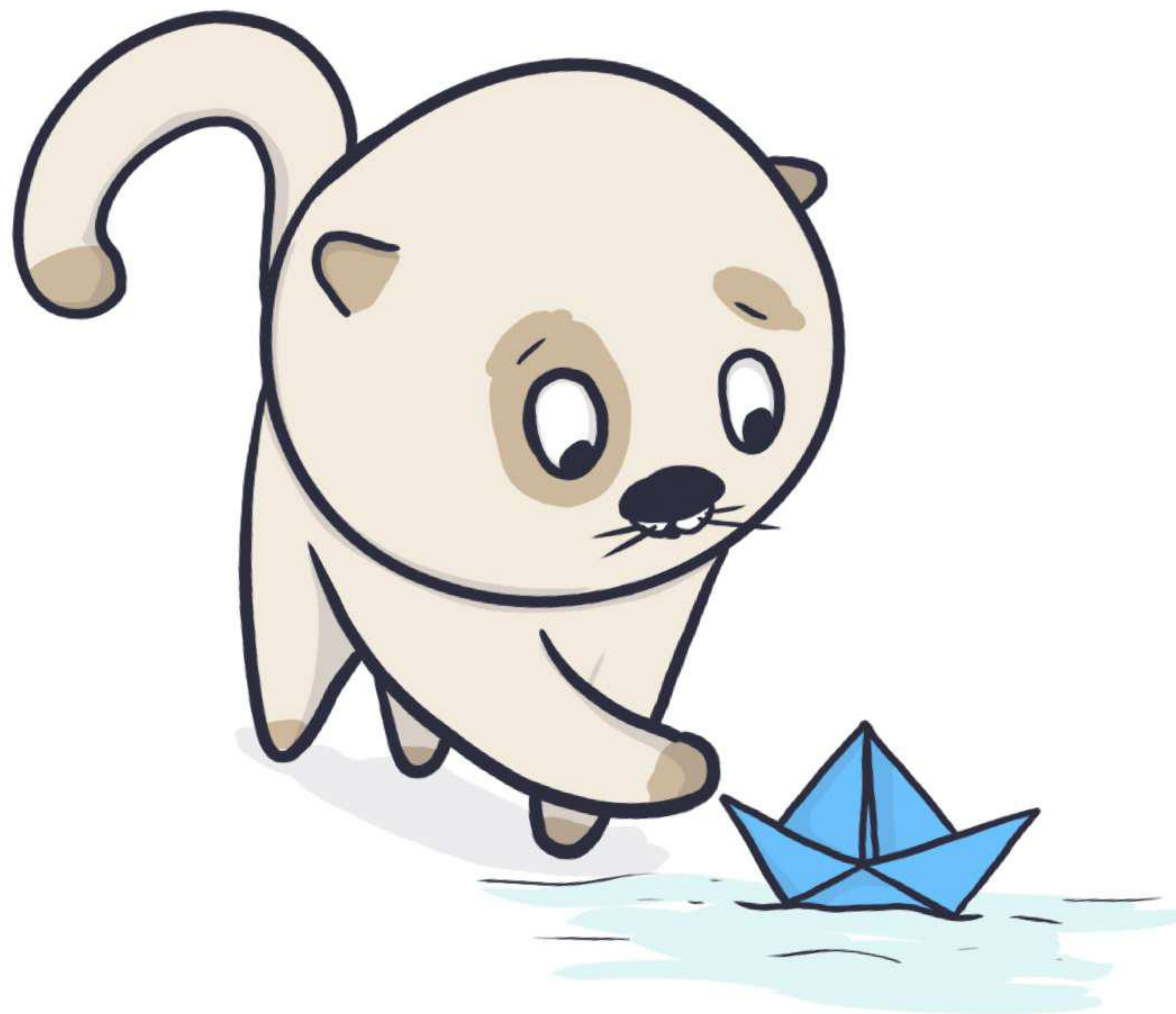
Mavericks

OS X 10.9

October 22, 2013



Maps, iBooks, and Tags debut in the first inanimate OS X – Mavericks. To enable secure password encryption and storage, iCloud Keychain is introduced.



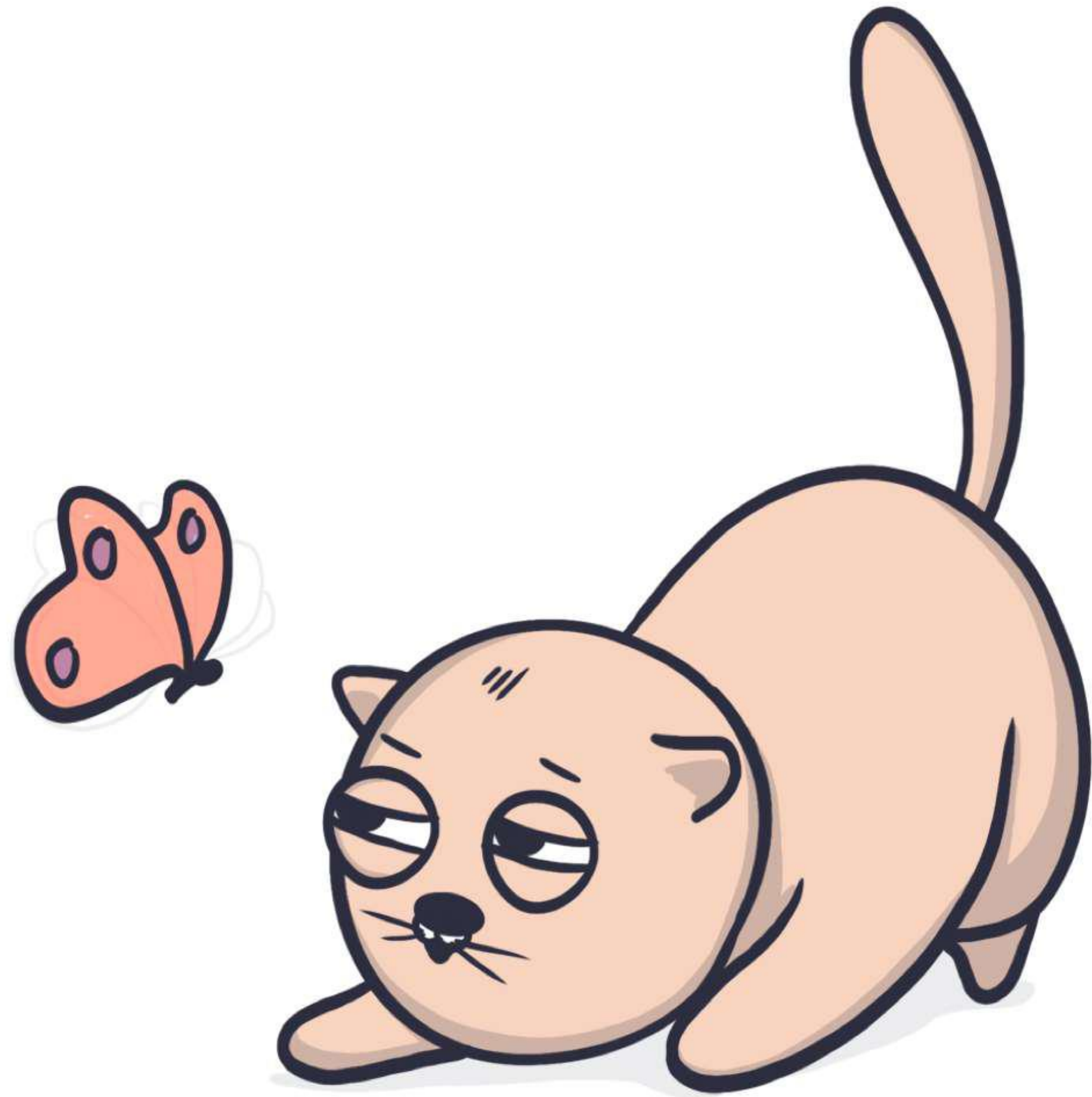
Mountain Lion

OS X 10.8

July 25, 2012



Mountain Lion adds new integrations and further iOS perks like **Reminders**, **Notes**, and **Messages**. It gets easier to track app updates via the **Notification Center**.



2011

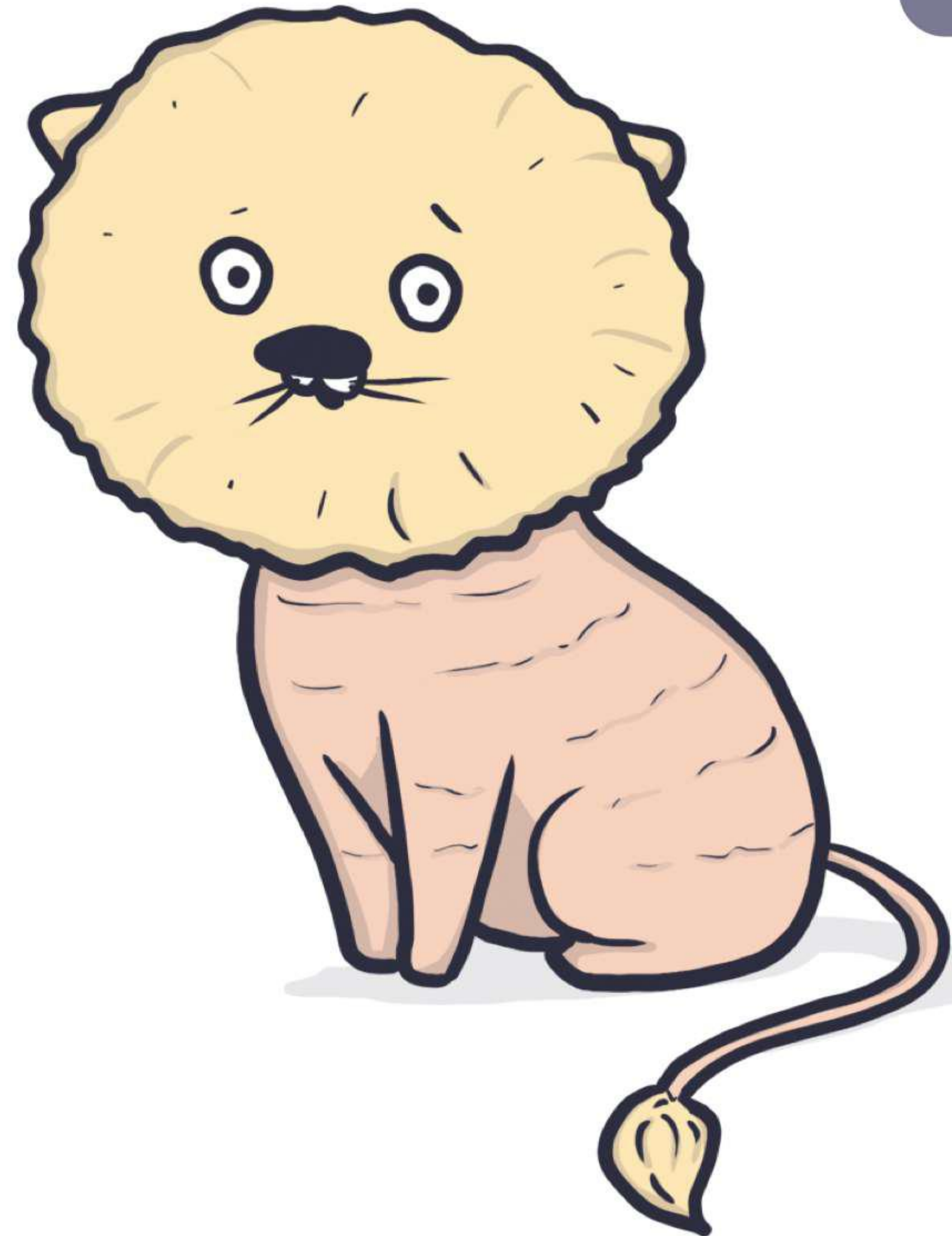
Lion

OS X 10.7

July 20, 2011



iCloud arrives. Apart from that, lots of iOS advancements find reflection in OS X Lion, covering Launchpad, multi-touch gestures, and more.



2009

Snow Leopard

OS X 10.6

August 28, 2009



While Leopard did a great job, Snow Leopard arrives to refine it even more. Mainly, it comes with apps rewritten in 64 bit and OpenCL. The 2009 OS X release is also known for **Mac App Store** launch.

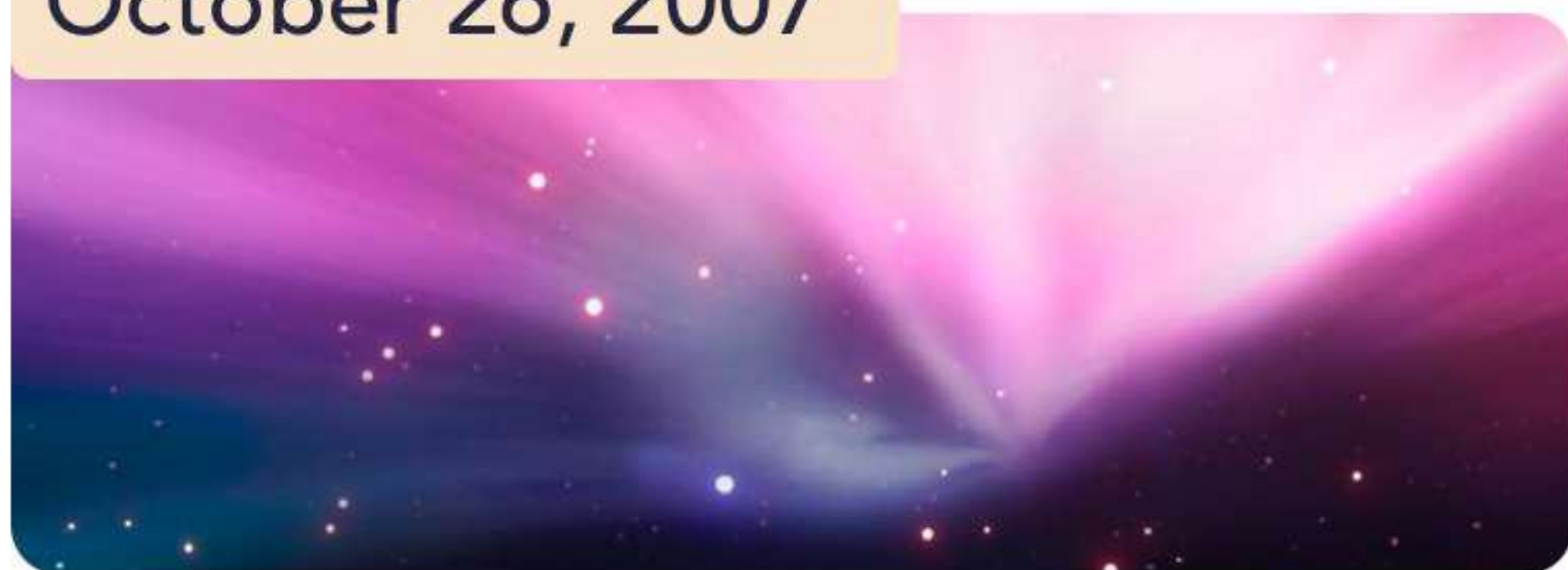


2007

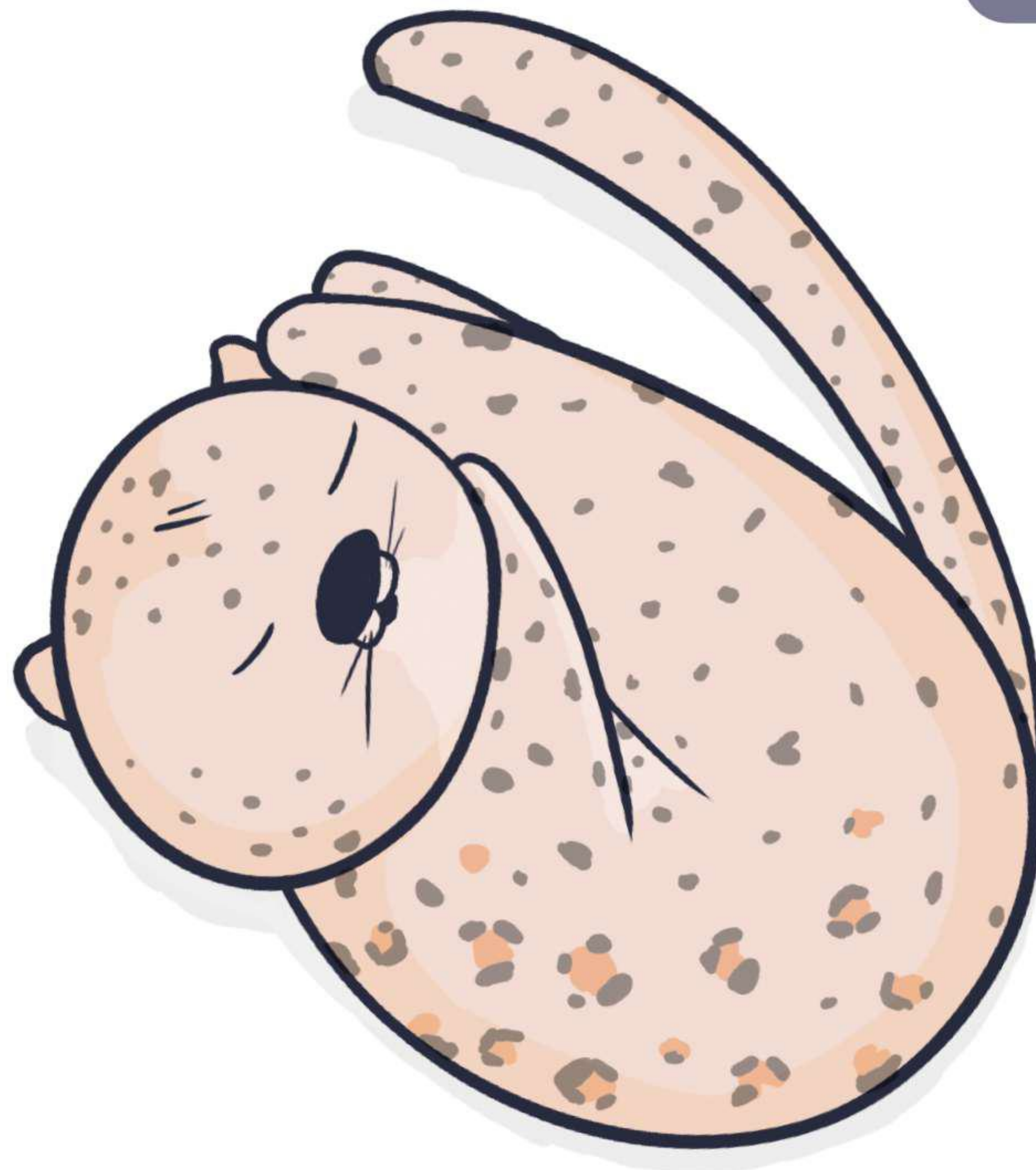
Leopard

OS X 10.5

October 26, 2007



Long-awaited and Mac-changing. Leopard gives a spectacular leap, introducing **Time Machine**, **Boot Camp**, **QuickLook**, and full support for 64-bit software.



2005

Tiger

OS X 10.4

April 29, 2005

A rich harvest for Mac, Tiger marks the launch of 200+ new features. **Spotlight** search and **Dashboard** are the top stars, with Apple TV, Automator, and VoiceOver joining the crowd.

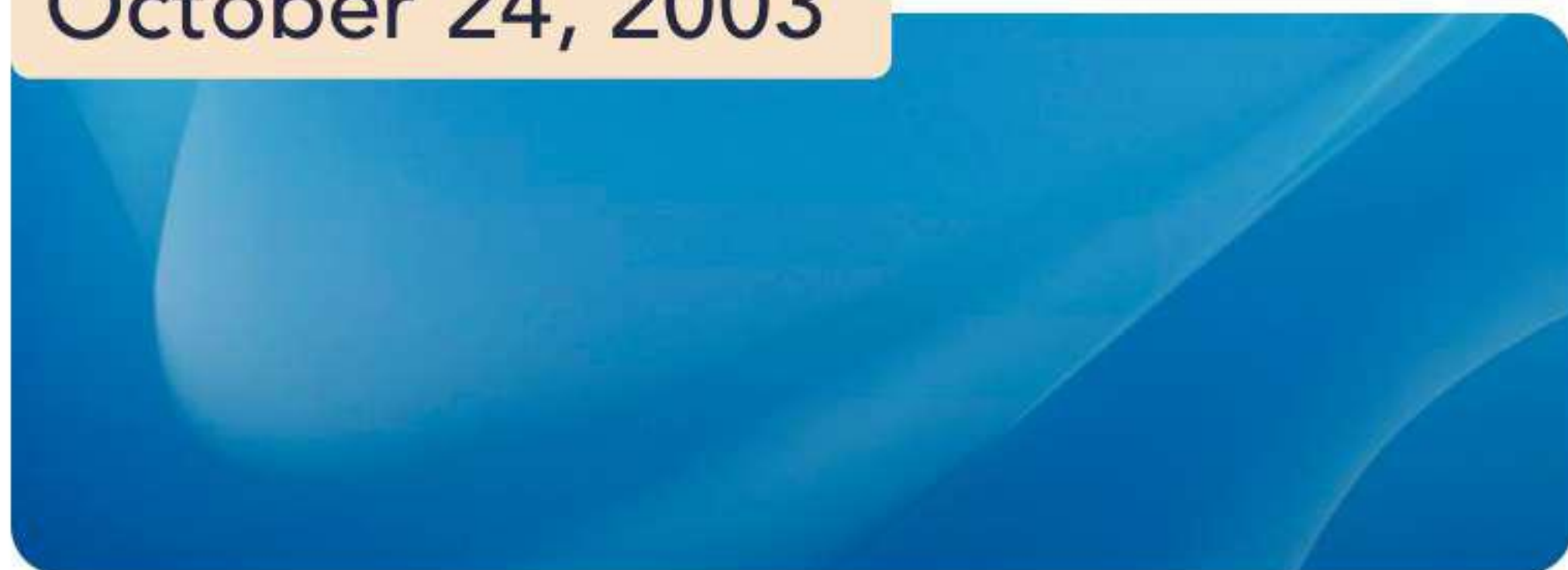


2003

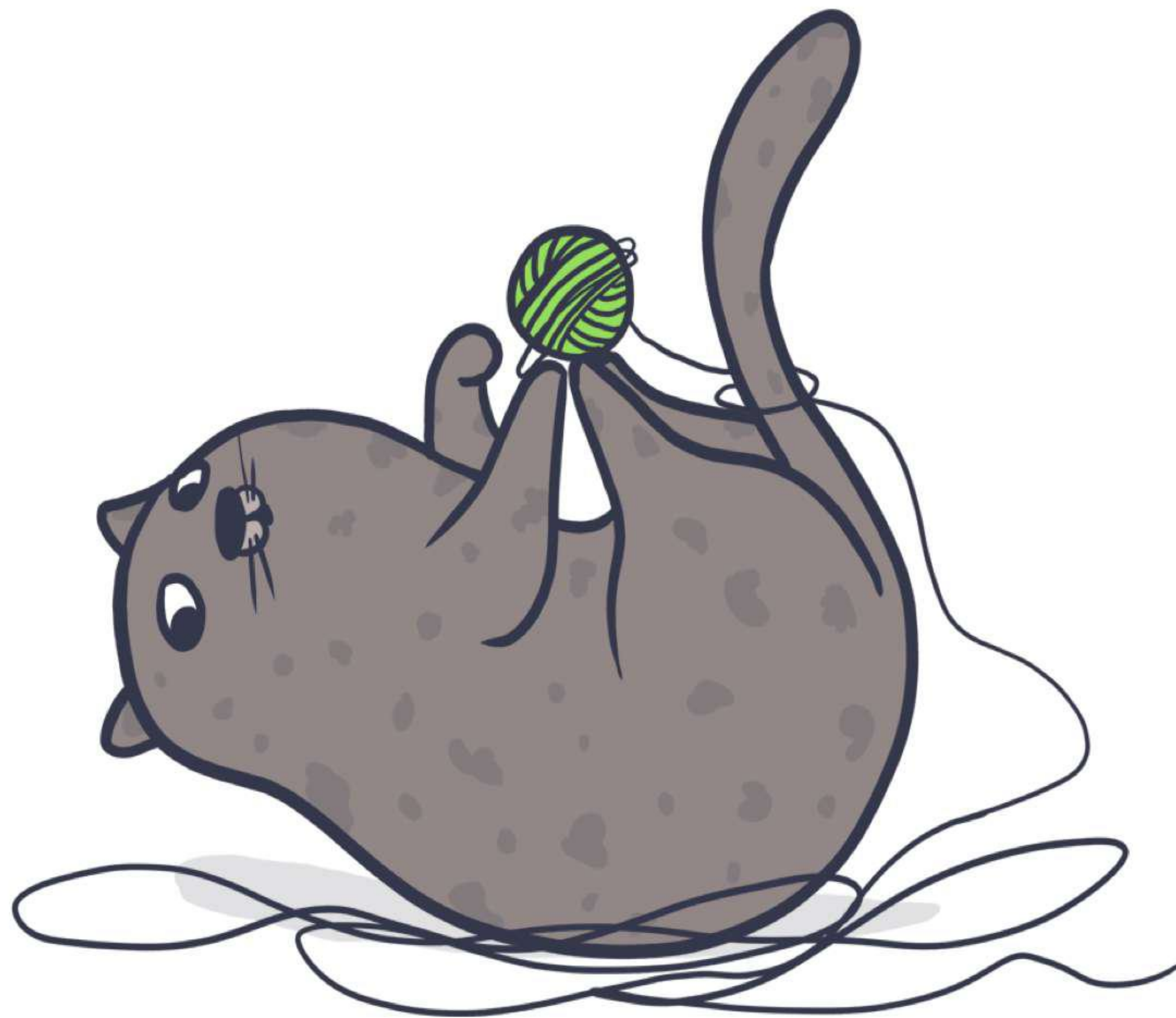
Panther

OS X 10.3

October 24, 2003



Panther release introduces **Exposé**, a feature for seamless management of open applications. **Safari** officially becomes the default web browser.



2002

Jaguar

OS X 10.2

August 23, 2002

A large grey **Apple logo** appears for the first time, replacing Happy Mac at startup. Optimized search functionality of Finder and the first release of Accessibility API – **Universal Access**. App arrivals: iChat and Address Book.



2001

Puma

OS X 10.1

September 25, 2001

No big functionality updates, the focus is shifted to **performance** instead. From improved file management to CD and DVD burning, Puma just makes it work better.



2001

Cheetah

OS X 10.0

March 24, 2001



“When you saw it, you wanted to lick it,” said Steve Jobs about **Aqua** – the brand new UI born with the release of Cheetah. Preview, Mail, QuickTime, and TextEdit make debut at this point.

