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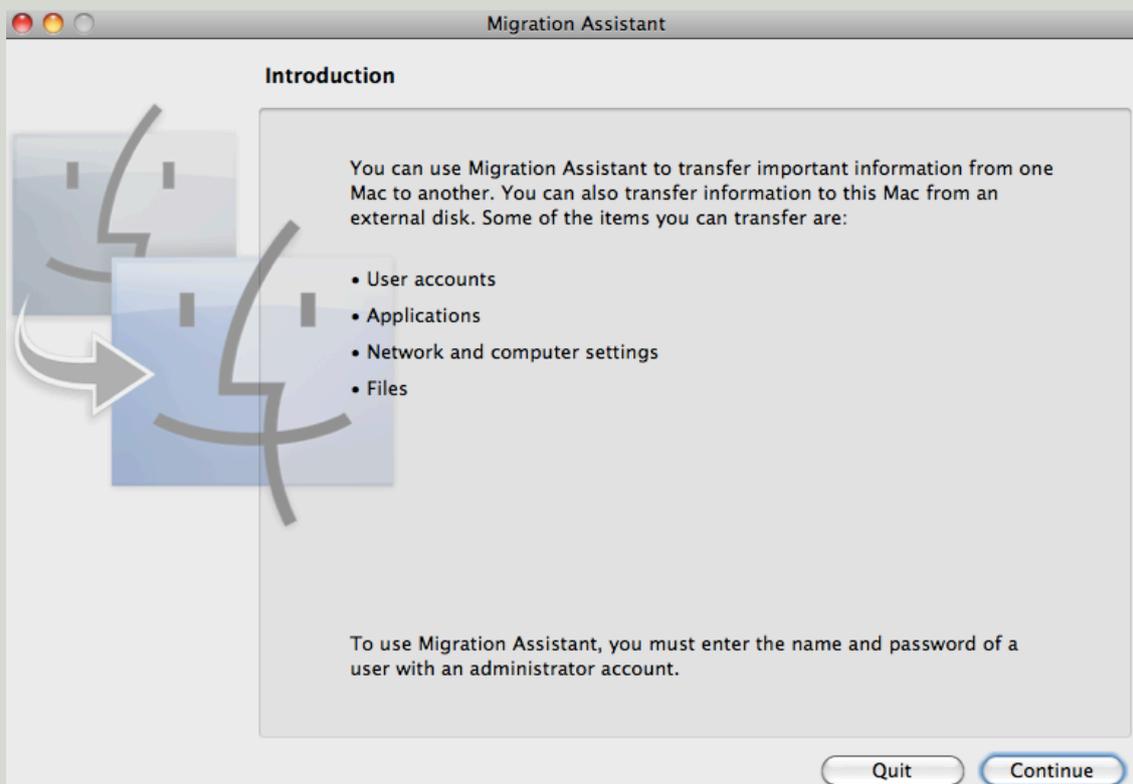
HOW TO TRANSFER YOUR DATA FROM YOUR OLD MAC TO A NEW MAC



MIGRATION ASSISTANT & FIREWIRE TARGET DISK MODE

Mac OS X comes with a built-in Application for Data Migration called **MIGRATION ASSISTANT**. This incredible application can painlessly transfer files from one Macintosh to another.

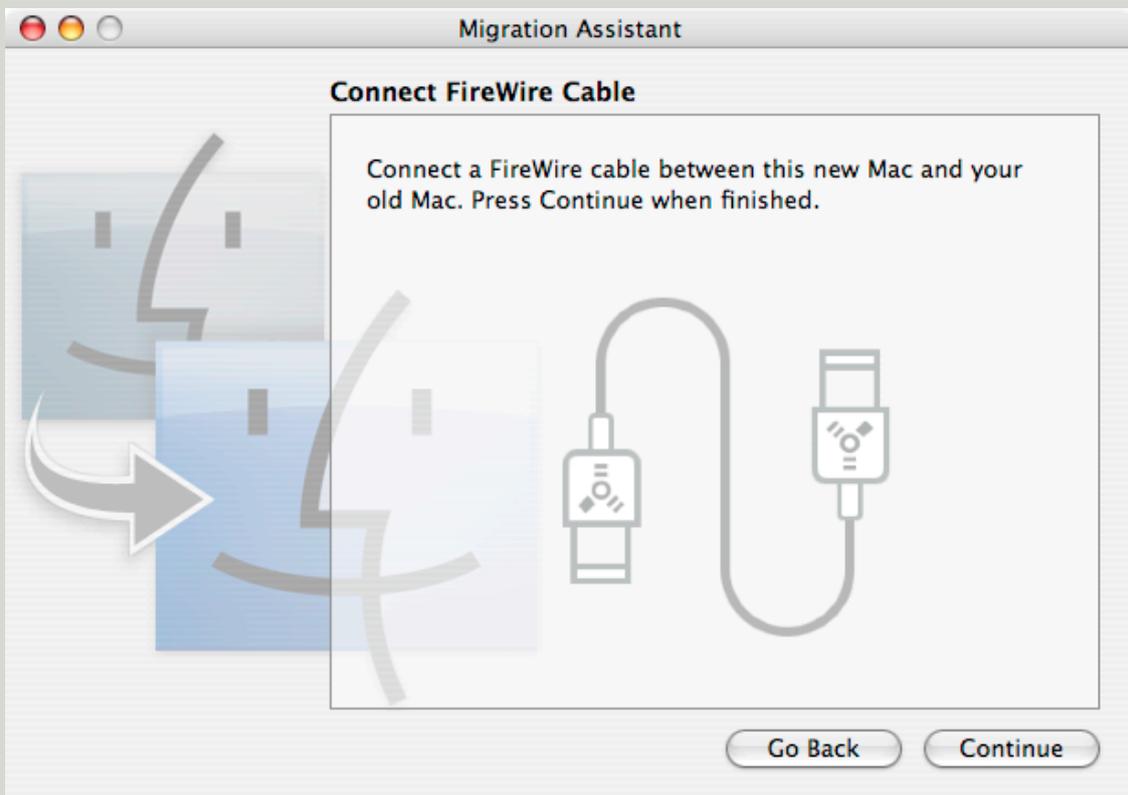
1. Open "Migration Assistant" located in /Applications/Utilities



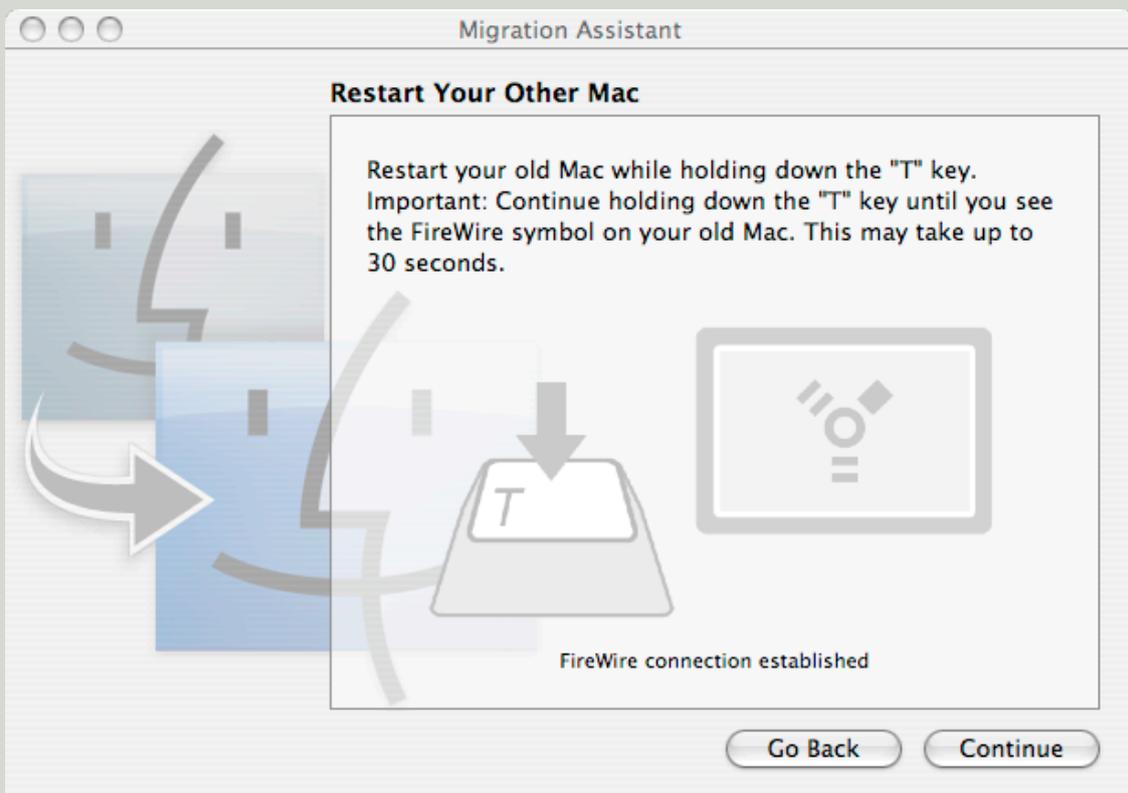
Click Continue. A window might pop up asking you to type your Administrator Password.

2. The next screen will allow you to choose a Migration Method. You can either migrate files from another hard disk connected to your computer or from another Mac which is the option that we are going to choose. Then click Continue.

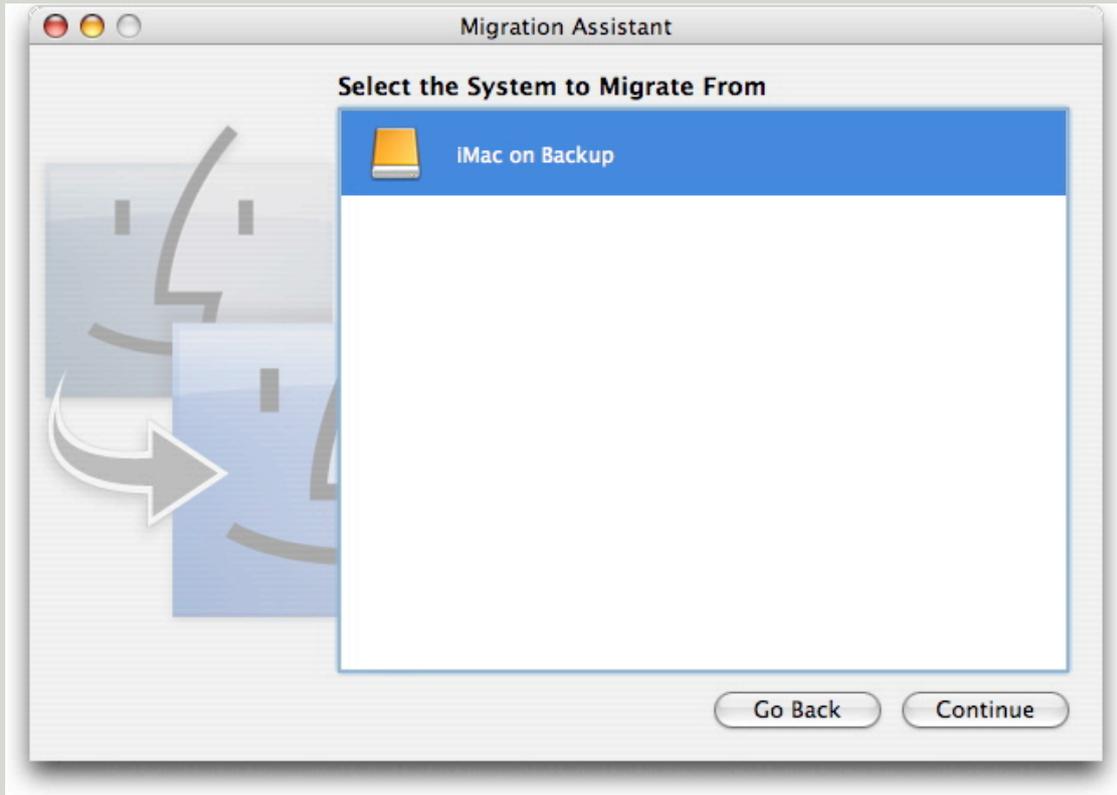
3. Now the assistant will prompt you to connect the two Macs together using a Firewire cable.



4. Then you will be prompted to restart your older Mac computer in Target Disk Mode.

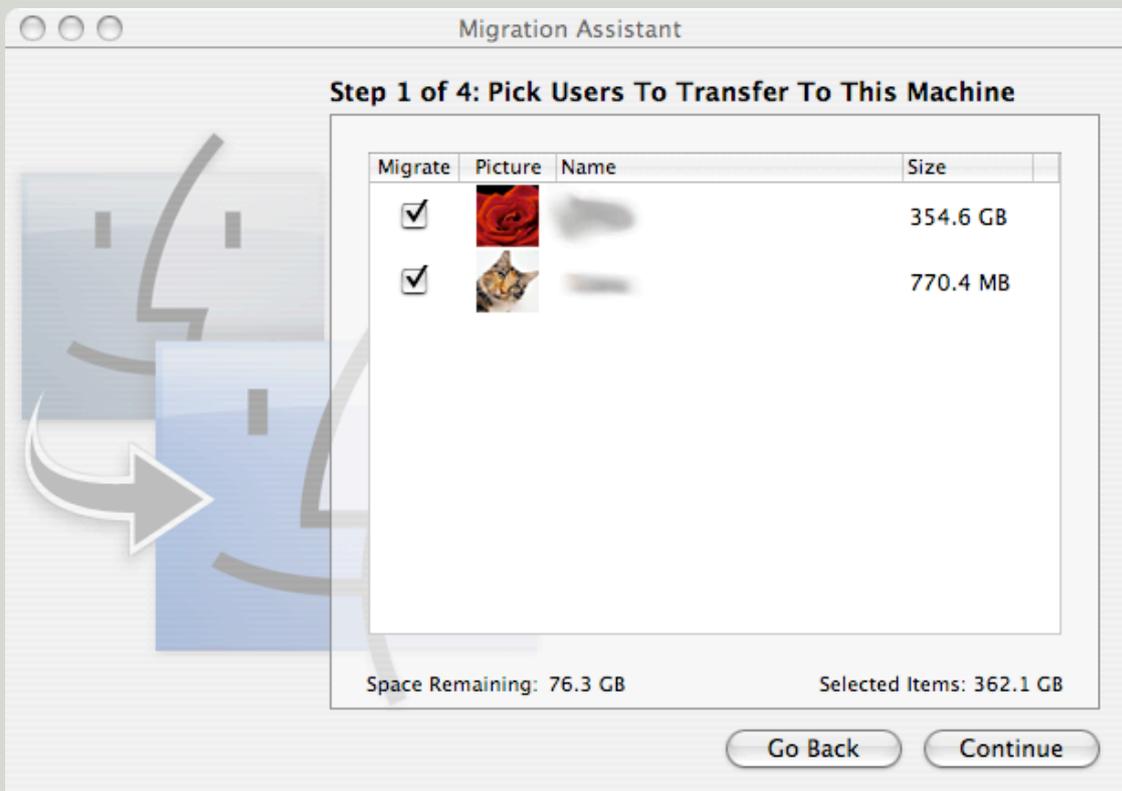


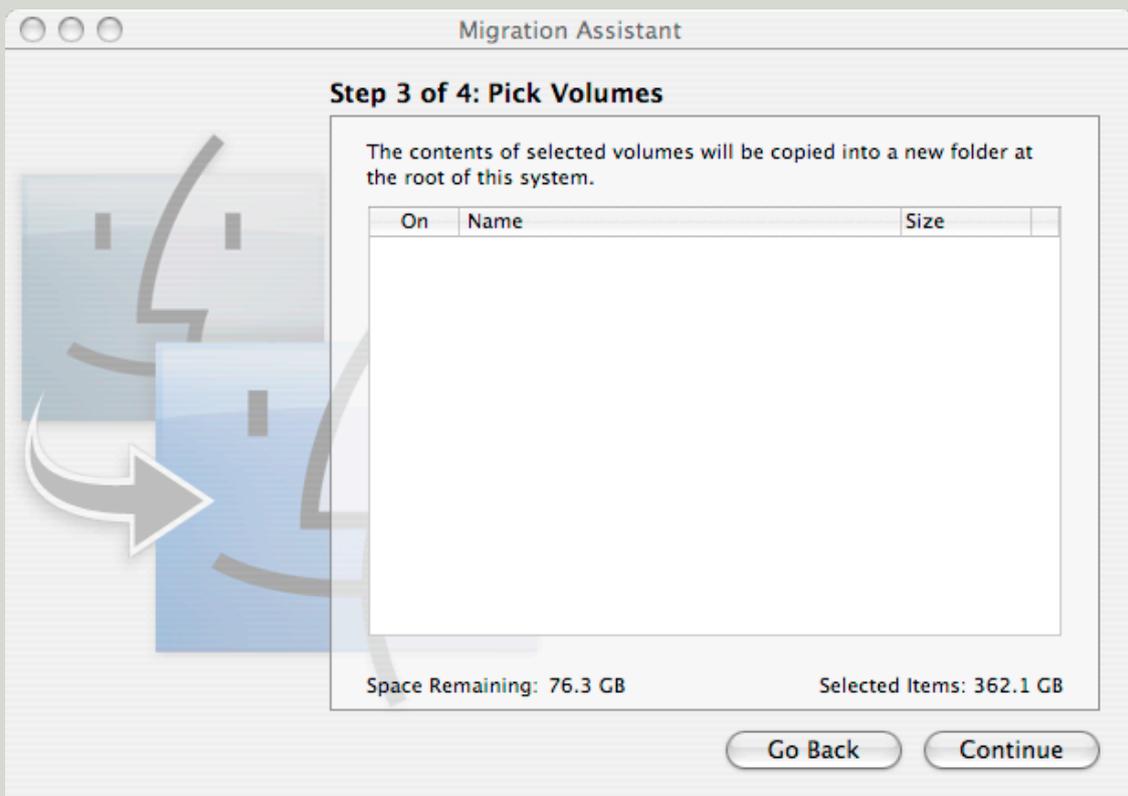
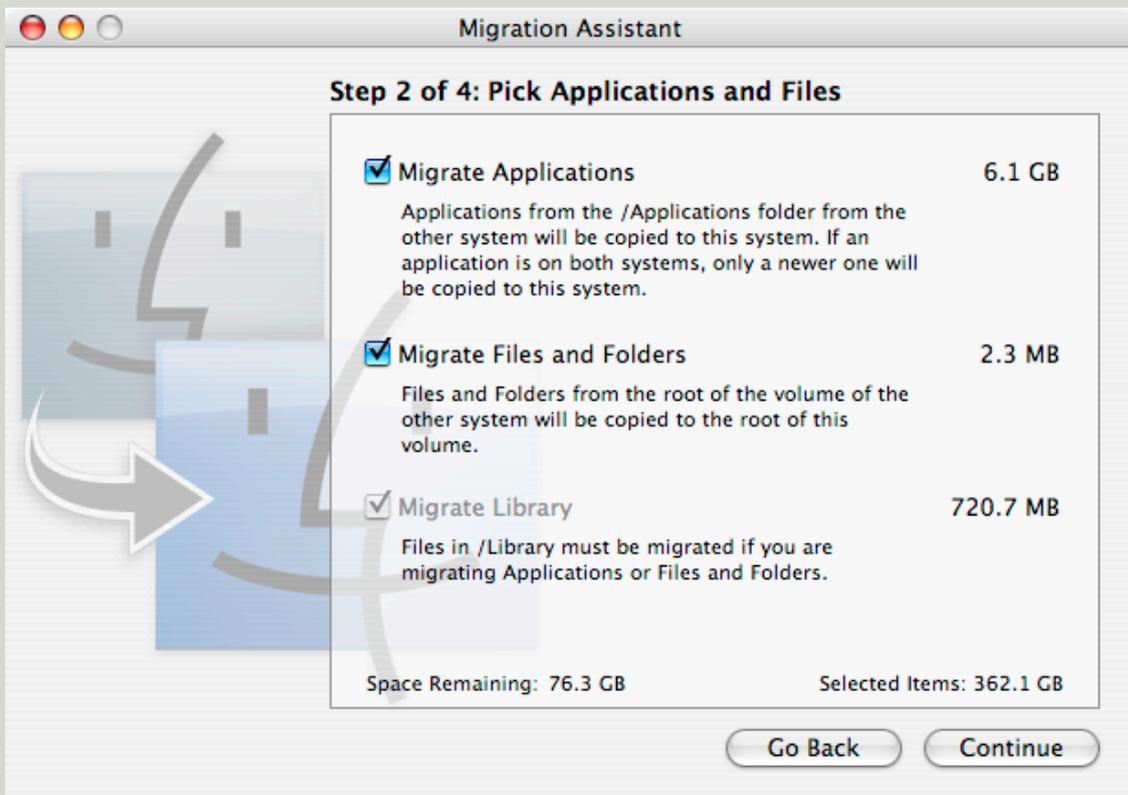
5. After you restart your older Mac in Target Disk Mode, Migration Assistant will look for connected drives. Once it finds the hard drive(s) containing Mac OS X, it will ask you to select the System to migrate from. Select the appropriate drive and click continue.

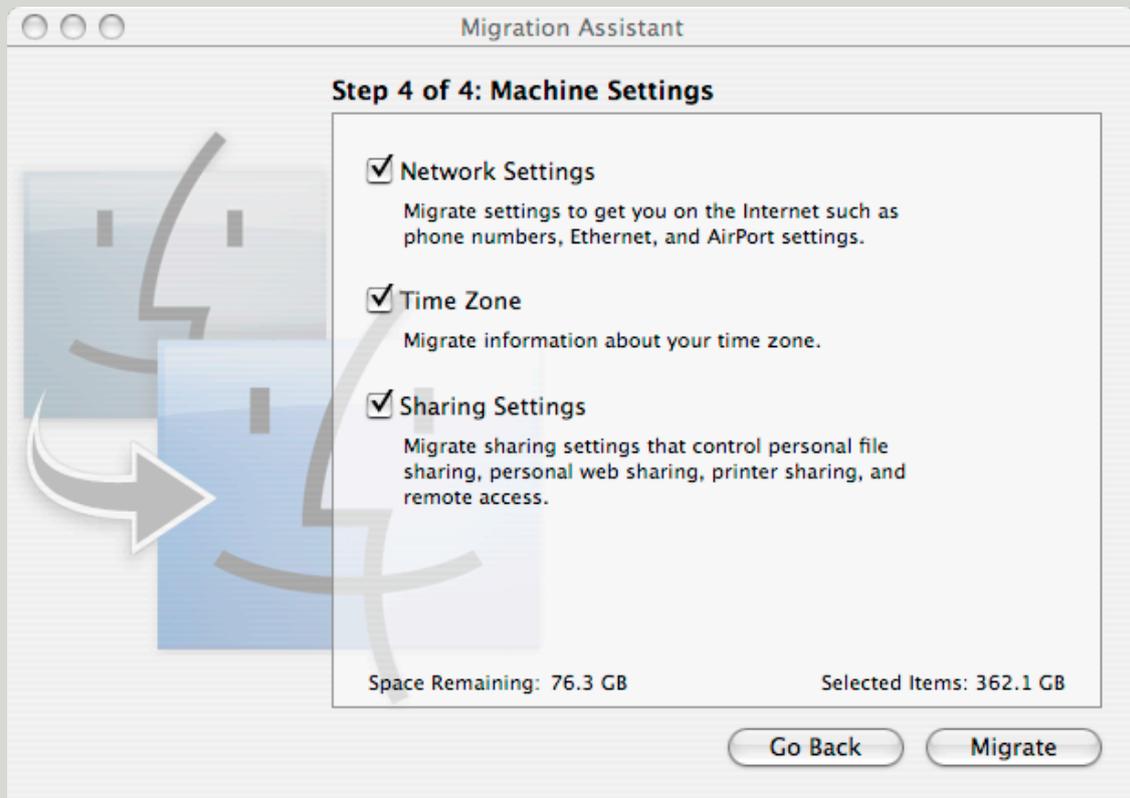


6. The Application is now ready to Migrate your data.

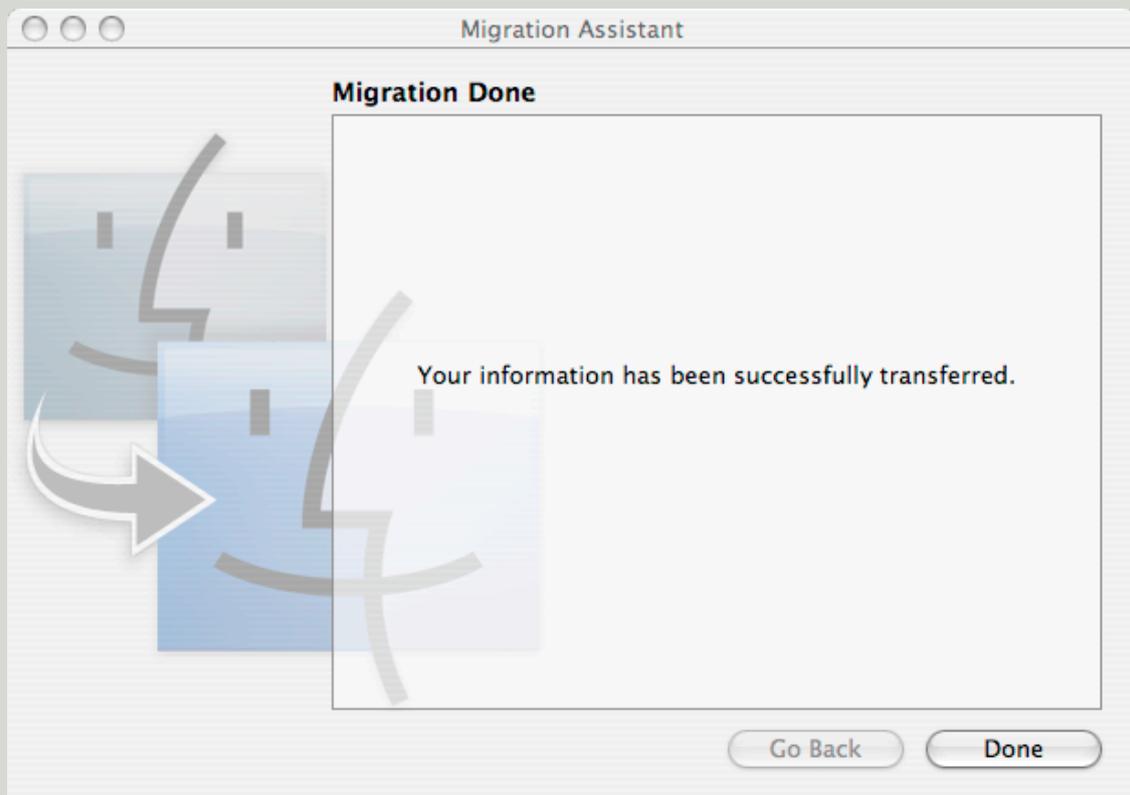
In Steps 1 through 4, the Migration Assistant will let you configure the Migration process by selecting which user account(s) to migrate, whether you want to migrate the Network Settings, Sharing Settings, Applications, Files and Folders etc.







7. Your data migration will now start. The duration of the transfer depends on the total size of the files to migrate. It can vary between a few minutes to a few hours. Go have a coffee or a glass of wine, until you see the following screen.



You are now all set.

8. Drag the old Mac's Hard Disk icon to the Trash, or select "File > Eject" from the File Menu, then shutdown the old Mac.

MIGRATION IS FINISHED

**YOUR INFORMATION HAS BEEN
SUCCESSFULLY TRANSFERRED**



9. Login to your migrated account on your new computer. You will be amazed how great a job Migration Assistant has done for you.

You won't even need to re-install all the Applications that you had on the old Mac as Migration Assistant can migrate them for you.

Migration has never been so easy and painless.

NOTE:

It pays to check the Applications Folder on the new Mac when Migration has completed, because if the older Mac had old versions of Applications, it will bring them across as well, so you could end up with duplicates.

After using Migration Assistant or Setup Assistant to migrate Applications from a PowerPC-based Mac to an Intel-based Mac, some migrated Applications may not launch or function correctly.

<<http://support.apple.com/kb/TS1963>>

Migration Assistant is a small utility that doesn't look like much when launched.

It is, however, technically brilliant and will solve many of the headaches traditionally associated with migrating from one computer or operating system to another.

By following a few simple rules and applying common sense to the process, you will be able to get back to work (or play) in a short time.

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