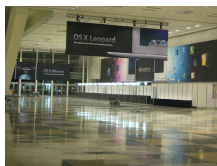


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[Big Time Rumor: Apple to Give PC Users the Green OS X Light](#)

Sources speculate that recent rumors indicate radical changes from Apple

Recent changes occurring with Apple's Dot Mac collection of online services (the recent discovery of the Me.com dubbing), [the nature of Mac OS X 10.6](#) (rumored to skip PPC) and some WWDC '08 spy shots that show OS X without the 'Mac' have given birth to quite a rumor - Apple is making OS X a platform-neutral OS. MacRumors [notes](#) that Apple might just have "generic PCs" in mind this time around, pointing out not to one, but to five recent rumors that could potentially indicate Mac OS X is going to work with standard PC parts, under guidance from Apple:- Changing .Mac to Me.com (hinting at a neutral platform)- OS X Leopard (not 'Mac' OS X Leopard)- 10.6 to be Intel only (implies dropping PowerPC)- "No new features" in 10.6 could be due to resources devoted to just making 10.6 "PC compatible." theAppleBlog [mentions](#) John Gruber of Daring Fireball who thinks Apple is simply bringing the iPhone OS and Mac OS closer to each other - that includes dubbing -, making this the simplest and most logical explanation to everything mentioned above. As you may have noticed, only four of the rumors are posted above. The fifth clue both sources invoke as a potential indication to Apple's expanding the usability of the Mac OS is Psystar. That's right, the Mac clone maker that Apple hasn't done anything about is the last (but very probable) indication that the Cupertino-based computer and software manufacturer is planning to let folks run OS X on non-proprietary machines. **Softpedia take:** It is also known that Steve Jobs once took a decade-long break to stop and think: How the heck am I going to convince this God-forsaken civilization of ours that Mac is the way to go? When he came back from his 'vacation', he told Apple they needed to make some changes. But, in order to make people accept those changes, Steve told them they also needed to trick users into thinking they were merely upgrading to a better OS that sported all the features they already knew and loved to use. And what do you know, Mac OS X suddenly became more attractive and has been so ever since. It's a long-shot, but removing Mac from the OS' dubbing could indeed indicate that Steve is trying to 'dupe' the world again (in a good way, of course).