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[Why Should I Use Google Desktop? I Have Spotlight!](#)

Some of the users are rejecting Google Desktop

Yesterday, Google Desktop for Mac was released by the search giant and introduced as the perfect alternative for the Mac OSX Spotlight. Now, some of the users are asking themselves why should they use Google Desktop instead of Spotlight, the application included in the operating system. In a Google Groups discussion, the Google Desktop Guide sustained the Mac version of the downloadable application was requested by many users since 2004. Although it is similar with Spotlight, Google Desktop for Mac is an alternative for the classic application, allowing users to easier organize and find files. Today, the company created a special page to compare Google Desktop and Spotlight, mentioning the similarities and the differences between the two products. According to the search giant, the two applications are able to index files and search the computer but the Google product can find even the websites visited by the users. One of the biggest advantages of Google Desktop for Mac is the ability to search the Gmail messages even in offline mode. "You can search text from old versions of your documents, or even from deleted files. In your browser, search results from your computer are integrated with search results from Google.com," the company presented two other differences between Google Desktop for Mac and Spotlight. As you might know if you're using a Mac, Spotlight contains a "Privacy" option that helps users prevent certain locations of the hard disk from being searched. So, what should I use, Google Desktop or Spotlight? According to Google, their product is the perfect application for all Mac OS X computers and the best alternative for Spotlight. If you want to download Google Desktop for Mac, you can take it from [Softpedia](#).