

Will Chief Architect Software Work on a Mac?

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QUESTION

I am interested in purchasing Chief Architect. Is this software compatible on a Mac?

ANSWER

Yes, Chief Architect X6 and newer program versions will run natively on the Mac operating system, macOS, so long as it meets the system requirements. Please view the [System Requirements \(https://www.chiefarchitect.com/products/sysreq.html\)](https://www.chiefarchitect.com/products/sysreq.html) page, as well as the [Mac Models Compatible with Chief Architect X17 and Home Designer 2026 \(https://www.chiefarchitect.com/support/article/KB-03167/mac-models-compatible-with-chief-architect-x17-and-home-designer-2026.html\)](https://www.chiefarchitect.com/support/article/KB-03167/mac-models-compatible-with-chief-architect-x17-and-home-designer-2026.html) resource to learn more.

System requirements for legacy versions can be viewed here: [Chief Architect Minimum System Requirements \(https://www.chiefarchitect.com/support/article/KB-02761/chief-architect-minimum-system-requirements.html\)](https://www.chiefarchitect.com/support/article/KB-02761/chief-architect-minimum-system-requirements.html).

Chief Architect versions X2 - X5 were supported on Macs using Boot Camp that otherwise met the discontinued version's system requirements.

Note: Running Chief Architect in an emulator, or virtual machine environment, such as Hyper-V, VMWare, Parallels, or VirtualBox is not supported.


📖 [Chief Architect Minimum System Requirements \(/support/article/KB-02761/chief-architect-minimum-system-requirements.html\)](/support/article/KB-02761/chief-architect-minimum-system-requirements.html)

📖 [Mac Models Compatible with Chief Architect X17 and Home Designer 2026 \(/support/article/KB-03167/mac-models-compatible-with-chief-architect-x17-and-home-designer-2026.html\)](/support/article/KB-03167/mac-models-compatible-with-chief-architect-x17-and-home-designer-2026.html)

📖 [Where Chief Architect Programs Install on a Mac \(/support/article/KB-03060/where-chief-architect-programs-install-on-a-mac.html\)](/support/article/KB-03060/where-chief-architect-programs-install-on-a-mac.html)



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