

# iMac M1 Upgrade from iMac 2009

## Why?

- Old iMac couldn't be upgraded past macOS 10.11.

## Prep

- Made Time Machine backup using new USB Seagate Thin 1TB.
- Used TM with Migration Assistant to transfer files.
- Had to re-enter passwords in some instances.

## Warning

- New iMac M1 doesn't have USB 2.0 connector so had to purchase \$25.00 adapter cable. Apple is consistent. Grrrrr.

## New iMac M1 Apple Silicon

- 24 inch screen is an upgrade – thin, -iPad thin
- 10 pounds -- it is moveable
- Retina Display 4.5K
- Superb images. Especially good for Video such as YouTube
- Berlin Phil in 4K looks marvellous
- Superb spatial sound. Better than HomePods.
- Beautiful Design in 7 colours
- WiF included in basic. Gigabyte Ethernet is extra on basic model and standard on advanced model.
- Superb 1080p camera for better FaceTime or ZOOM meetings
- TouchID on the keyboard.
- Speed is marvellous
- Instantaneous launch of Apps

## Overall impressions

Adjectives -- *bright, elegant, cheerful, fun, lightweight*

- They look great, even in a living room.
- Power supply is external.
- It's like a super display with a computer attached.
- Wakes from sleep almost instantaneously.

## Comments from Users

- Bill Klein had MacBook Air M1. Sold it for a new iMac which will be his main computer.
- Christina my daughter was going to keep the old 2009 but after a week said she wants a new iMac M1.
- I could see my only computer being this iMac M1 replacing the older \$4,000 iMac Intel.
- A joy and excitement for something we had taken for granted in recent years. Fast, beautiful, inspiring, challenging, rewarding in these times.
- Second monitor is an option.

## Pricing

- Basic iMac M1 8GB memory 256GB storage, WiFi, in 4 colours: \$1,600.00
- Better iMac M1 8GB memory 512GB storage, Ethernet, 7 colours: \$2,100.00
- The price is even lower with the educational discount.
- External SSD drives are \$175.00 - \$350.00 for 1 or 2 TB. Ready to plug into back.