How to install Sonoma Developer Beta

In this post, I am going to show the steps to install Sonoma MacOS on MacBook Pro. I am running MacOS Ventura

Ventura will be upgraded to Sonoma Beta. I am using Open Core Legacy Patcher to install Sonoma on unsupported MacBook Pro.
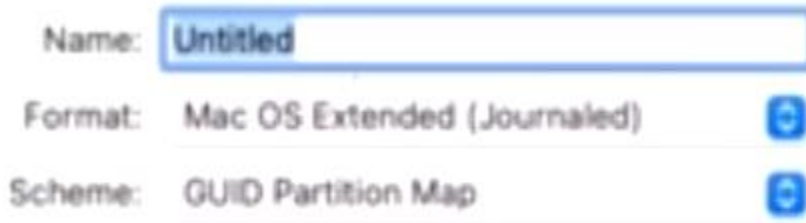
You can download Open Core Legacy Patcher from here

https://github.com/dortania/OpenCore-Legacy-Patcher/pull/1077

Move the file to Applications Folder and Open the patcher. Click create macOS installer.
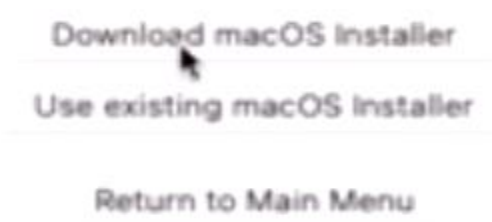
Make sure to plug in USB stick with at least 64GB free space. Open Disk Utility to format USB drive. Make sure the format and scheme are exactly like the screen shot.

Name: Untitled

Format: Mac OS Extended (Journaled)

Scheme: GUID Partition Map

When you click Create macOS installer you will see these options. Click Download

Create macOS Installer

Download macOS Installer

Use existing macOS Installer

Return to Main Menu

Once the download is done click Create macOS installer and select USB disk.

Create macOS Installer?

Finished extracting the installer, would you like to continue and create a macOS installer?
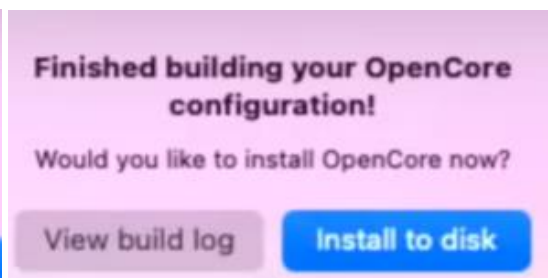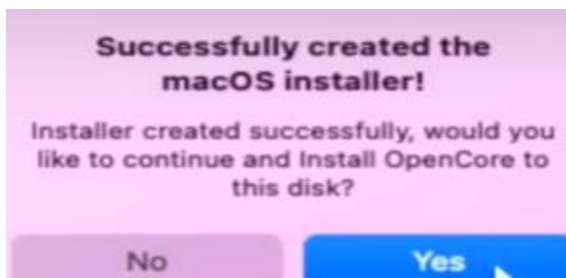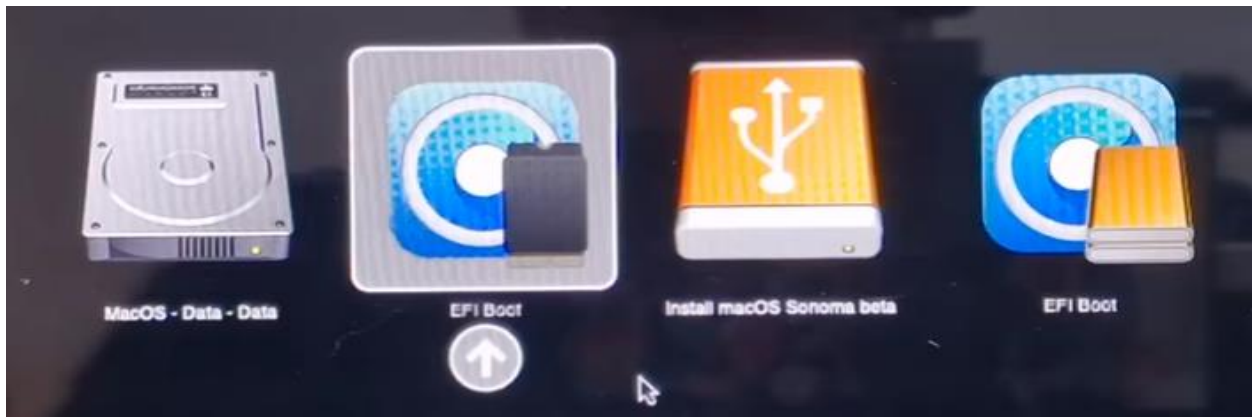
No   Yes

Creating Installer: Install macOS Sonoma beta

Creating macOS installers can take 30min+ on slower USB drives.

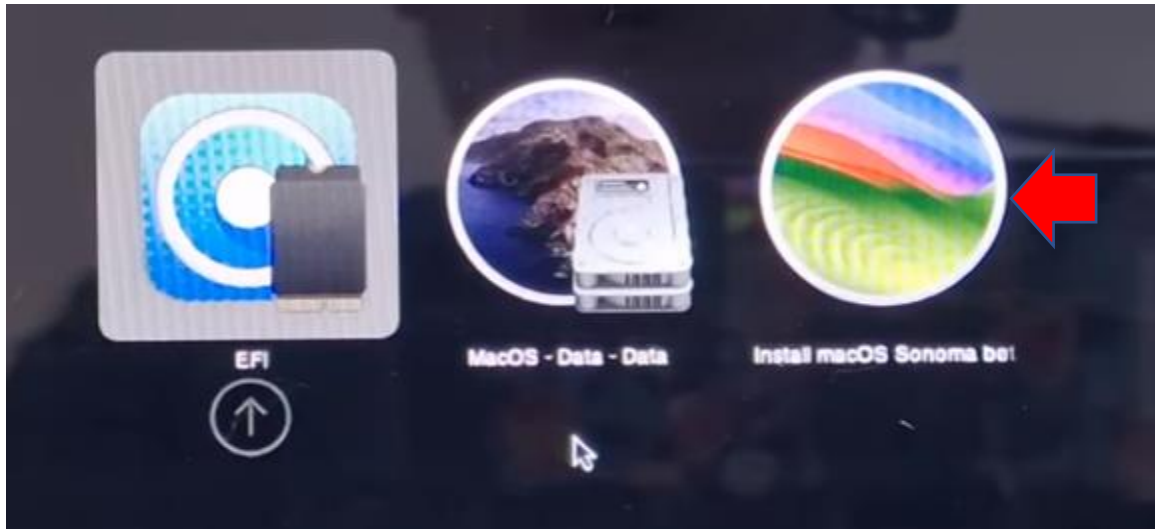We will notify you when the installer is ready.

Bytes Written: 301.35 MB

Successfully created the macOS installer!

Installer created successfully, would you like to continue and Install OpenCore to this disk?

No   Yes

Finished building your OpenCore configuration!

Would you like to install OpenCore now?
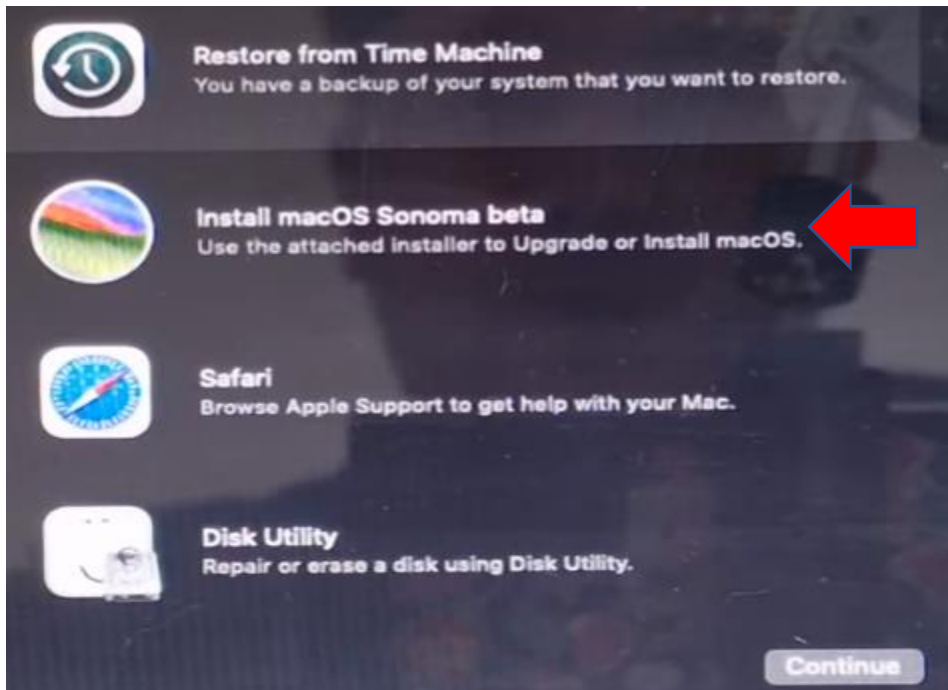
View build log   Install to disk

When you click install to disk make sure to select USB Disk. After that you will be asked to reboot. While you reboot make sure to hold Options button to get to below screen and select EFI Boot
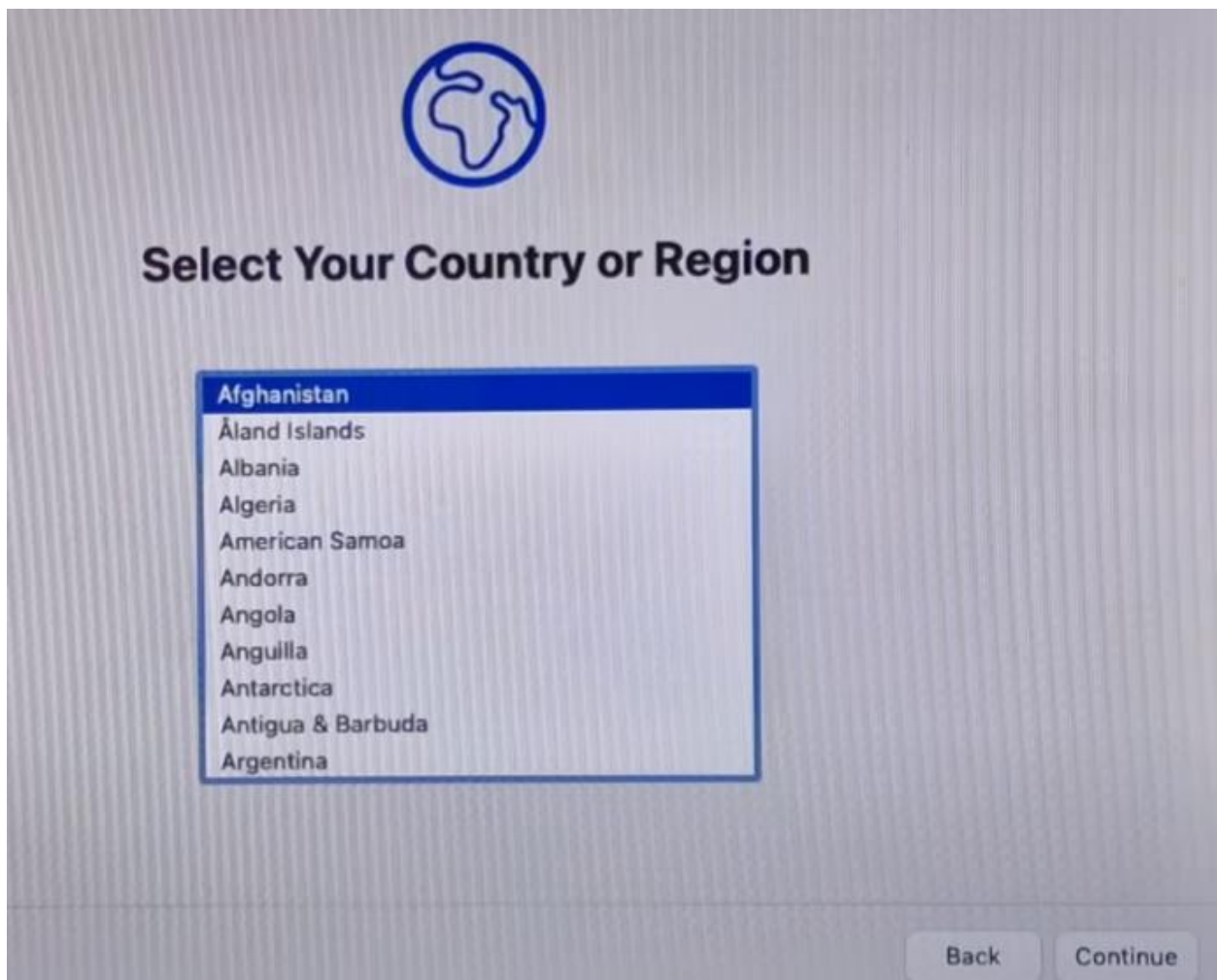
Now Select Install macOS Sonoma

Now select upgrade option. We want to upgrade Ventura to Sonoma

macOS Sonoma beta

To set up the installation of macOS Sonoma beta, click Continue.

Accept terms and conditions and select internal hard drive. Will take about 30-45 minutes to complete the install. The computer will restart few times. Wait for the task to complete. After that you will see below screens.

Select Your Country or Region

Afghanistan
Åland Islands
Albania
Algeria
American Samoa
Andorra
Angola
Anguilla
Antarctica
Antigua & Barbuda
Argentina

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Accessibility

Accessibility features adapt your Mac to your individual needs. You can turn them on now to help you finish setting up, and further customize them later in System Settings. See what's available in each of the categories below.

Vision	Motor	Hearing	Cognitive

Data & Privacy

This icon appears when an Apple feature asks to use your personal information.

You won't see this with every feature since Apple collects this information only when needed to enable features, secure our services, or personalize your experience.

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Analytics

Help Apple and app developers improve their products and services automatically.

To help Apple improve its products and services, pre-release beta versions of macOS automatically send diagnostics and usage data. This can be changed in the Privacy & Security pane of System Settings. Diagnostic data may include location information.

About Analytics & Privacy...

Screen Time

Get insights about your screen time and set limits for what you want to manage.

Weekly Reports
View daily and weekly charts and get insights about your screen time.

Downtime and App Limits
Schedule time away from the screen and set daily time limits for apps or app categories.

Content & Privacy Restrictions
Restrict settings for contacts, explicit content, purchases and downloads, and privacy.

Screen Time Passcode
Manage screen time for children from your Mac or iOS device, or use a screen time passcode on your child's device.

Siri

Siri helps you get things done just by asking. Siri can also make suggestions before you ask in apps, search, and keyboards.

☑ Enable Ask Siri

Apple stores transcripts of your interactions with Siri and may review a subset of these transcripts. Siri may also send information like your voice input, Hey Siri setup, contacts, and location to Apple to process your request. Data is not associated with your Apple ID.

About Ask Siri, Dictation & Privacy...

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Improve Siri & Dictation

Help Apple improve Siri and Dictation by allowing Apple to store audio of your Siri and Dictation interactions from this Mac. Apple may review a sample of stored audio. You can change this later in System Settings.

This data is not associated with your Apple ID, and will only be stored for a limited period.

○ Share Audio Recordings
● Not Now

Improve Siri and Dictation allows Apple to store and have employees review a sample of audio interactions with Siri and Dictation in order to help Apple develop and improve Siri, Dictation, and other language processing features like Translate or Voice Control.

About Improve Siri and Dictation & Privacy...

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FileVault Disk Encryption

FileVault secures your data by encrypting the contents of your disk and locking your screen with a password.

Would you like to use FileVault to encrypt the disk on your Mac?

☑ Turn on FileVault disk encryption
☑ Allow my iCloud account to unlock my disk

Your iCloud account "ramlan@rogers.com" can be used to unlock your disk and reset your password if you forget it. If you do not want to allow your iCloud account to reset your password, you can create a recovery key and store it in a safe place to unlock your disk.

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Choose Your Look

Select an appearance and see how the Dock, menus, buttons, and windows adjust depending on which one you choose.
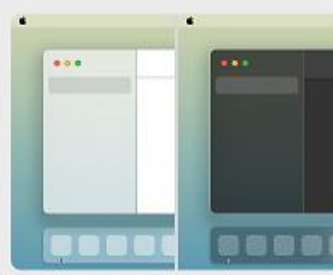
You can change this later in System Settings.

Light   Dark   Auto

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Migration Assistant

If you have information on another Mac or a Windows PC, you can transfer it to this Mac. You can also transfer information from a Time Machine backup or another startup disk.

How do you want to transfer your information?

○ From a Mac, Time Machine backup or Startup disk
○ From a Windows PC

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Sign In with Your Apple ID

Sign in to use iCloud, the App Store and other Apple services.

Email or Phone Number [Required]

Create new Apple ID...

Forgot Apple ID or password?

Use different Apple IDs for iCloud and Apple media purchases?

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Back   Agree

Create a Computer Account

Fill out the following information to create your computer account.

Full name:

Account name: account name

This will be the name of your home folder.
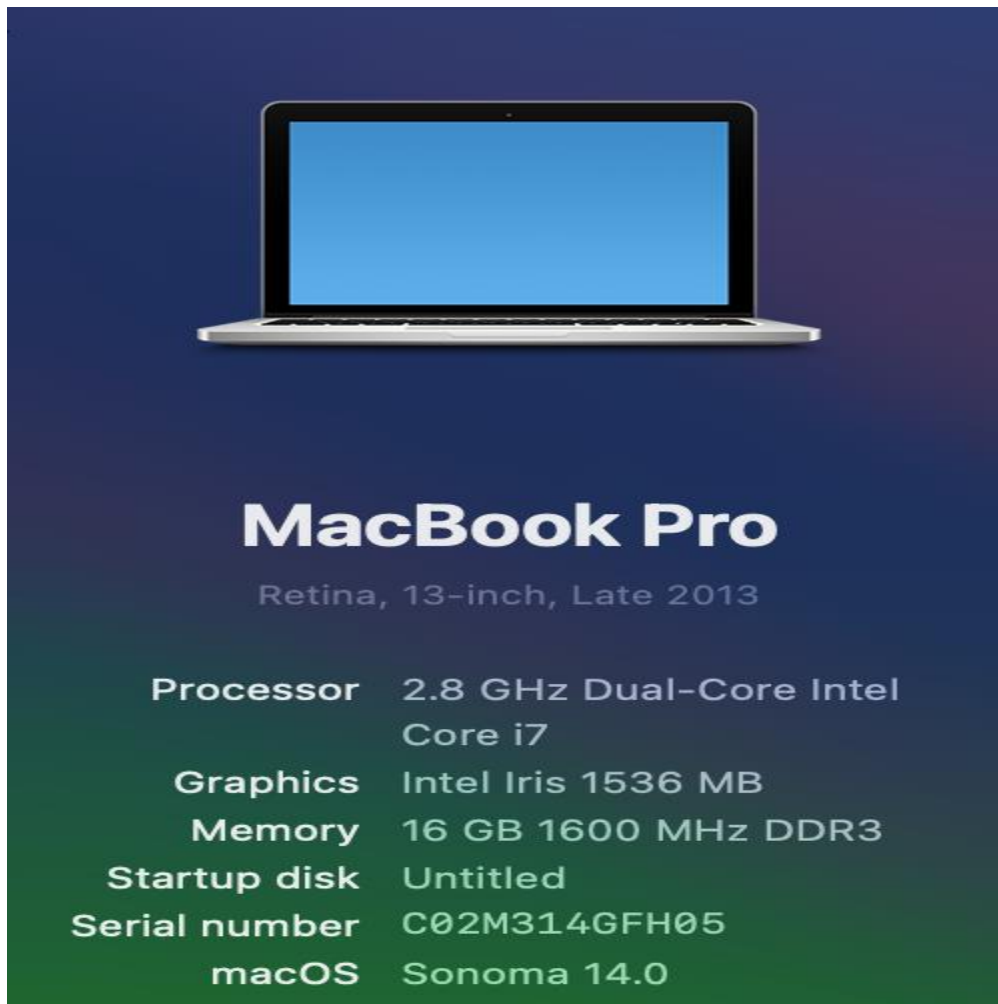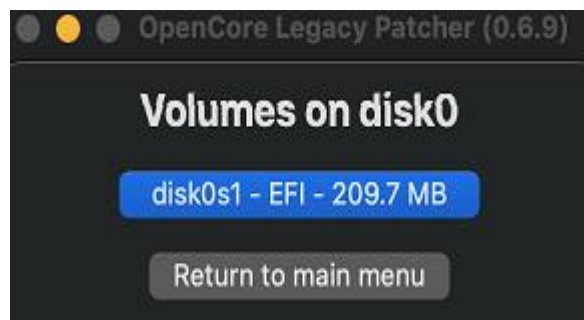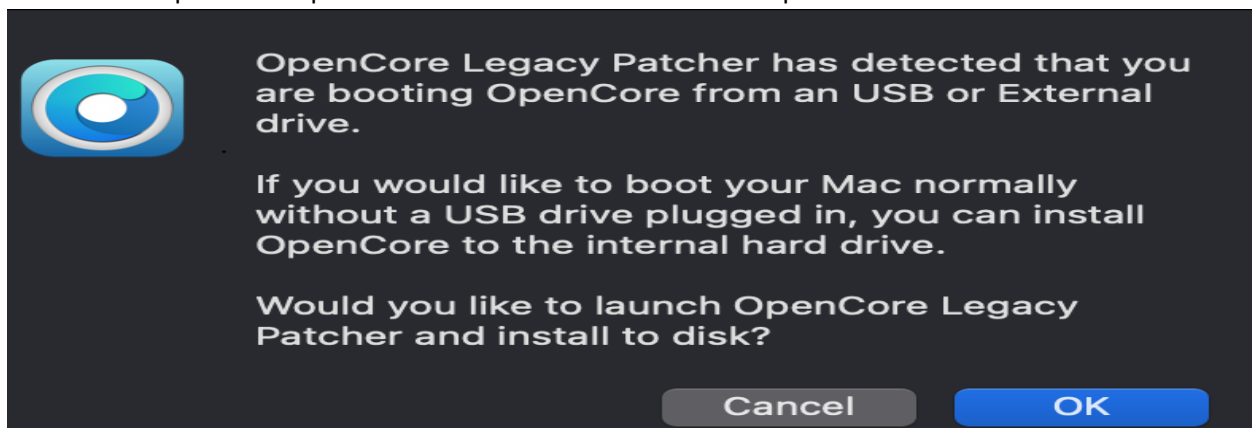
Password: new password   verify

Hint: optional

Now you will see login screen. After login check About your mac

At first login you will see Open Core Legacy Patcher screen to install the patch on the internal hard drive. Follow the steps and complete the task. Make sure to install the patch to local hard drive.

You will be asked to reboot – before you reboot make sure to eject this disk and also remove USB stick.

After that you are done with Open Core Legacy Patcher. You can login and start using the latest Beta version of Sonoma.

Thanks

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https://developer.apple.com/download/#ios-restore-images-ipad-new

https://developer.apple.com/support/install-beta/