

Can My Computer Run ArcGIS Pro? Flowchart

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Use this flowchart to help determine if your computer system could be capable of running ArcGIS Pro.

START HERE... my computer is running:

→ **Windows** (Start > Settings (gear icon) > System > About)

→ Windows 8.1 or earlier **NO: ArcGIS Pro requires Windows 10 or 11.**

→ Windows 10 or 11

- 1 processor core OR ≤ 8 GB RAM **POSSIBLE: Your computer does not meet ArcGIS Pro's hardware requirements, but it *might* be upgradable to meet those requirements.**

- ≥ 2 processor cores AND > 8 GB RAM **YES: Your computer can run ArcGIS Pro.**

→ **MacOS** (Apple menu > About This Mac > More Info)

- ArcGIS Pro is Windows-only software, requiring you to run a licensed copy of Windows on your Mac via Boot Camp (Intel Macs only) OR virtualization software (e.g., Parallels).

- **Intel Mac** with:
 - core i3 processor OR
 - MacOS 11 (Big Sur) or older**NO: Your computer does not meet the hardware requirements to run ArcGIS Pro in Windows 10 or 11.**

→ **OR: Find your Mac in this table:**

Mac RAM & Disk Space	Processor	
	Intel Mac with >1 core i5 / i7 / i9 processor faster than 2.2 GHz	Apple Silicon Mac (M1/M2/M3 processor)
≤ 8 GB RAM AND <100 GB free disk space	NO: Your computer does not meet the requirements to run ArcGIS Pro in Windows 10 or 11.	
≤ 8 GB RAM AND ≥100 GB free disk space	POSSIBLE, but will run very slow due to low RAM: Intel: POSSIBLE via Boot Camp	Silicon: POSSIBLE via virtualization (with a CAUTION)
> 8 GB RAM AND <100 GB free disk space	YES/POSSIBLE: Intel: via virtualization	Silicon: POSSIBLE via virtualization (with a CAUTION)
> 8 GB RAM AND ≥100 GB free disk space	YES/POSSIBLE: Intel: via virtualization OR boot camp	Silicon: POSSIBLE via virtualization (with a CAUTION)

→ **ChromeOS** **NO: ArcGIS Pro is Windows-only software, and Chromebooks do not possess adequate specifications to run Windows 10 and ArcGIS Pro virtually.**

If your answer from the flowchart is:

YES: Your computer can run ArcGIS Pro (Macs will require a licensed copy of Windows and possibly virtualization software).

POSSIBLE for your computer to run ArcGIS Pro, with conditions/issues:

- You may be able to upgrade your computer (add RAM) so it meets ArcGIS Pro's requirements. Computers with an old processor and/or computers over 3-4 years old are usually not work upgrading; better to buy new.
- **CAUTION:** running ArcGIS Pro virtually on a Silicon Mac may have issues; Arm-based Windows is still in development and has some limitations.

NO: Your computer cannot run ArcGIS Pro. Your options include:

- Borrow a different computer that meets Windows 10/11 and ArcGIS Pro's system requirements.
- Purchase a new computer that meets Windows 10/11 and ArcGIS Pro's requirements.

More detail with web links can be found in the document **Can My Computer Run ArcGIS Pro?** (PDF).