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Search basics and examples

Core syntax & operators

| contains a word, quote phrases | word1 "exact phrase" |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| exact value: := | :=thisnameonly |
| keyword before a colon | datemodified:yesterday |
| implicit AND | word1 word2 |
| explicit OR | word1 OR word2 |
| explicit NOT | word1 NOT word2 |
| group with () | word1 (word2 OR word3) |
| Comparison, range: > < | size:<50MB date:20242025 |
| kind, extension | kind:folder ext:rtf |
| boolean | isflagged:true hasattachment:false |
| includes: , ends "." | *.png |

OR and NOT must be uppercase and cannot be used together. Some properties are specific to particular kinds of files. keywords are disabled inside quotes.

All file kind:keywords

everything, communications, contacts, email, im, meetings, tasks, notes, docs, text, spreadsheets, presentations, music, pics, videos, folders, favorites, programs

Relative dates

date:today, date:tomorrow, date:yesterday

date:this week, date:last week, date:next month, date:past month, date:coming year

Calendar

isrecurring, recurring, by, organizer, location

Select keywords per type

General / All files (kind:everything)

title, status, date, datemodified, modified, importance, priority, size, deleted, isdeleted, isattachment, to, toname, cc, ccname, company, category, keywords, album, file, filename, genre, author, by, under, path, folder, fileext, ext, keyword, tag, type

Documents

comments, lastsavedby, documentmanager, revisionnumber, datelastprinted, slides

Boolean helpers

isattachment, isonline, iscompleted, isdeleted, isflagged, isrecurring, hasattachment, hasflag

Contacts

jobtitle, imaddress, assistantsphone, assistantname, profession, nickname, spouse, businesscity, businesspostalcode, businesshomepage, callbacknumber, carphone, children, firstname, lastname, homefax, manager, pager, businessphone, homephone, mobilephone, officelocation, anniversary, birthday

Pictures

cameramake, cameramodel, dimensions, orientation, taken, datetaken, width, height, flashmode

Videos / Recorded TV

name, subject, ext, filext

Recorded TV broadcastdate, channel, closedcaptioning, datereleased, episodename

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