

Append Date to Comments

v1.0

AppleScript for iTunes

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This script will allow you to supply a date which will be appended to the Comments field of the selected iTunes tracks. If no tracks are selected, the date you enter will be copied to the clipboard.

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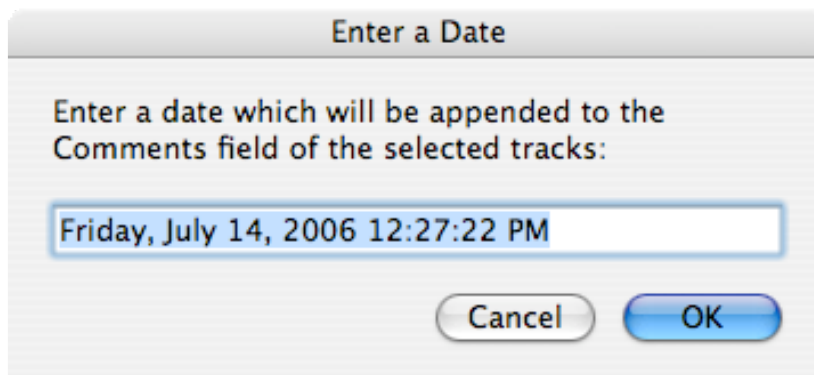
Installation:

If you installed the files from the downloaded disk image by dragging them to the "Installer", then the AppleScript and this Read Me document have already been installed in your *[user name] > Library > iTunes > Scripts* folder. The script will appear in iTunes' Script menu, where you can activate it by clicking on its name.

To manually install, if necessary: Put AppleScripts in your iTunes Scripts folder. This is located in *[user name] > Library > iTunes*. If there is no folder named "Scripts" there, create one and put the script(s) in it. AppleScripts will then appear in iTunes' Script menu, and can be activated by selecting by name and clicking. Be sure to also save this Read Me document in a safe and convenient place.

How to use:

Select some tracks and run the script. You can enter a date in pretty much any format in the first dialog box:

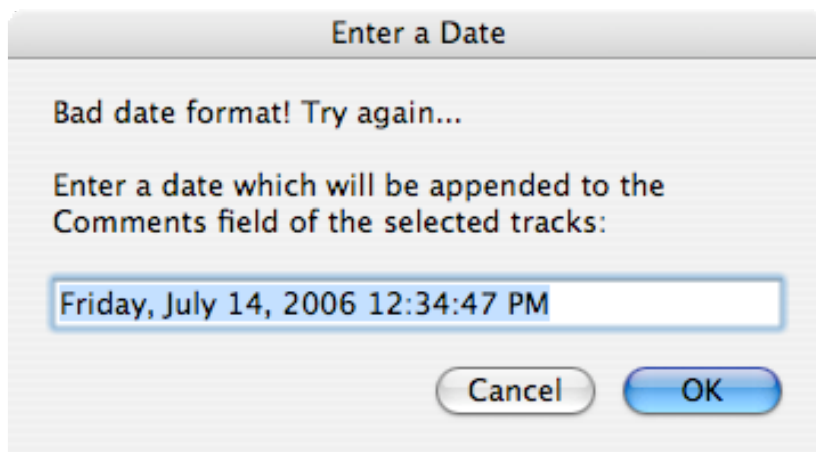


The default date that appears will be "now". However, you can enter pretty much any sort of valid date format, such as:

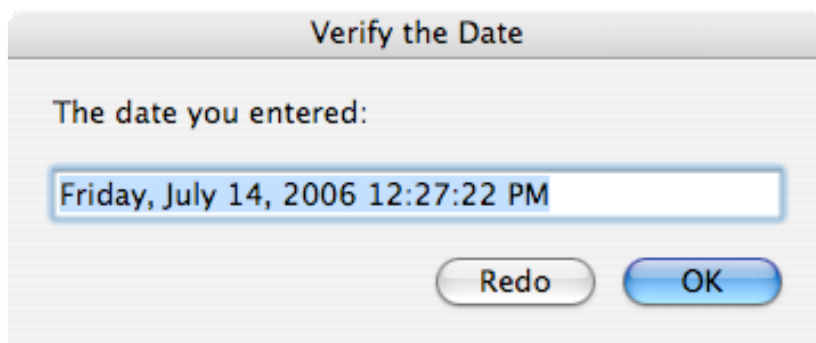
Mar 14, 2006
3.14.2006 1 PM
3/14/2006 3:37AM
6 months ago
4 weeks ago
20 minutes ago
and so on...

The script will attempt to re-format whatever you enter to the "correct" date format. For example, if you had entered "Mar 14, 2006", the date will be formatted as "Tuesday, March 14, 2006 12:00:00 AM".

If you enter a date that the script doesn't recognize as a valid date format, you will have an opportunity to re-enter a date:



After entering your date, a second dialog box will ask you to verify what you entered, displaying the "correct" date format:



Whatever is in this dialog box's text box will be the final output, so you can make changes here.

Click the Redo button to return to the first dialog box and enter a different date. Click OK to sign off on this text. It will be appended to the Comments field of the selected tracks. If the Comments field for a track contains text already, the date will appear after the current text using " - " as a delimiter. (You can change this delimiter text, see below.)

- Alternatively, you can run the script without selecting any tracks and the date you enter will

be copied to the clipboard so you can paste it anywhere.

Modifying the Script:

As mentioned above, if the Comments field of any selected track contains text, the date will be appended to the current Comments text with the text " - " separator. You can change this by editing the script.

Open the script with Script Editor and look for this line near the beginning of the script:

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-- change this if you like. this will appear between your original comments text--if any--and the date you eventually  
select  
property delim : " - "
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Change the text inside the quotes to anything you like. Then Save the script and quit Script Editor. You're done!

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Click on the underlined URL text:

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- 30 Most Recent RSS Feed - **Most recent new and updated scripts** (add link to your news reader)

Information and download link for this script is located at:

<http://www.dougscripts.com/itunes/scripts/ss.php?sp=appenddate>

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