

Make Bookmarkable

v3.0

For iTunes 12+/macOS 10.10+
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Changes the file type/extension of the files of the selected AAC tracks to M4B which makes them natively bookmarkable. Deletes and then re-adds each file so its track will appear in the Audiobooks/Books Library. Ratings, play count, last played date, skip count, and skipped date are preserved.

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Installation:

Put AppleScripts in your iTunes "Scripts" folder. This is located at *[user name] / Library / iTunes / Scripts /*.

*The user Library directory is hidden by default. To make it visible, hold down the Option key on your keyboard and select **Go > Library** from the Finder.*

If the *[user name] / Library /* folder does not contain the "iTunes" or "Scripts" folders then then create them and put the script(s) in the "Scripts" folder. 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.

See the online Download FAQ for more info and video on downloading and installing AppleScripts.

How to use:

Select some tracks in iTunes. If they are AAC, then the file type of each track's file will be changed to "M4B " and its filename extension changed to ".m4b".

Each track will be deleted and then re-added so it will appear in the Audiobooks Library. Ratings, last played date, play count, skipped date, and skip count will be preserved.

Make UN-Bookmarkable - I've included this second script as a convenience. It works the other way: select M4B tracks in the Audiobooks section to convert them to M4A.

About "bookmarkable" AAC files:

- Bookmarkable AAC files not only have "bookmarkability"—the ability to begin playing from the point at which they were last paused or stopped—they will also be displayed in iTunes' Audiobook Library and the iPod/iPhone's Audiobook category.

Helpful Links:

Information and download link for this script is located at:

<https://dougscripsts.com/itunes/scripts/ss.php?sp=makebookmarkable>

If you have any trouble with this script, please email me.

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Version History:

v2.7 june 18, 2018

- Updated after five year hiatus

v2.7 nov 29, 2013

- maintenance update for compatibility with OS X 10.9

v2.6 sept 4, 2010

- compatible with iTunes 10

v2.5 aug 6, 2008

- compatible with iTunes 7.7.1

v2.4 apr 23, 2008

- fixes problem with files located on MS-DOS FAT32 formatted drives

- some GUI changes

v2.3 apr 3, 2008

- saved as universal binary

v2.2 jan 18, 2008

- works around "Apple Event timeout" error with iTunes 7.6

v2.1 sept 18, 2006

- deletes and re-adds tracks even if their files' extensions are already ".m4b"

v2.0 sept 15, 2006

- deletes and then re-adds the track to iTunes so it appears in iTunes 7 or better Audiobooks Library

v1.5 dec 31, 2005

- changes extension of selected tracks' files to ".m4b"

v1.0 mar 1, 2004

- initial release

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