

Track Down Purchases

v5.2

Universal, for macOS 11+/Music v1.1+
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This applet can examine the Music library and sort audio tracks purchased from iTunes into discrete playlists by either the purchaser's name or Apple ID (eg: "Purchased by Jane Smith" or "Purchased by janesmith@email.com") which in turn will be placed in a "Purchaser Playlists" playlist folder.

Universal, for macOS 11 and later only.

***Free to try in Demo Mode:** While in Demo Mode, the number of tracks associated with each Purchaser will be reported but sorting tracks into playlists is disabled. An in-app purchase of a registration code will enable playlist creation.*

Installation:

This script, "Track Down Purchases", is an **AppleScript applet** and can be run by double-clicking its icon in the Finder. Thus, it can be installed anywhere you find it convenient to access. However, it is probably best accessed from the Script menu of the Music app from where it can be launched by clicking its name.

To make an AppleScript available in **the Music app's** Script menu, install it in the Music "Scripts" folder. This is located at *[user name] / Library / Music / Scripts /*. **Music app** will look for AppleScripts in this folder.

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

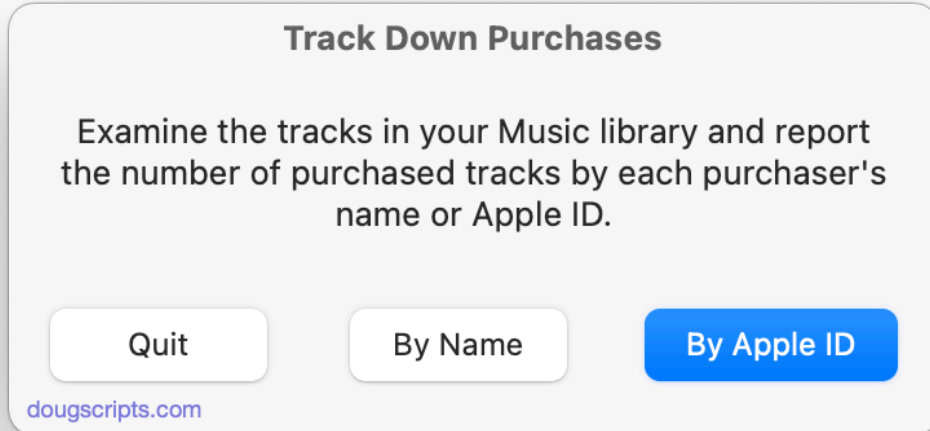
If the `[user name] / Library /` folder does not contain the "Music" folder or "Scripts" folder, then create them and put the script in the "Scripts" folder. AppleScripts will then appear in the Music app's Script menu and can be activated by selecting by name and clicking.

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:

Launch the app by clicking on its name in the Music app's Script menu (if installed properly) or by double-clicking its icon in the Finder:



Select to sort purchased tracks by **Name** or **Apple ID**.

The applet will examine the Music library and while in **Demo Mode** report the number of tracks associated with each purchaser:

Track Down Purchases - Results

Purchase a registration code to enable copying of tracks to individual playlists by purchaser.

44 by michaelsmith@youremail.com

67 by sandysmith@youremail.com

106 by janesmith@youremail.com

348 by donsmith@youremail.com

Enter your registration code:

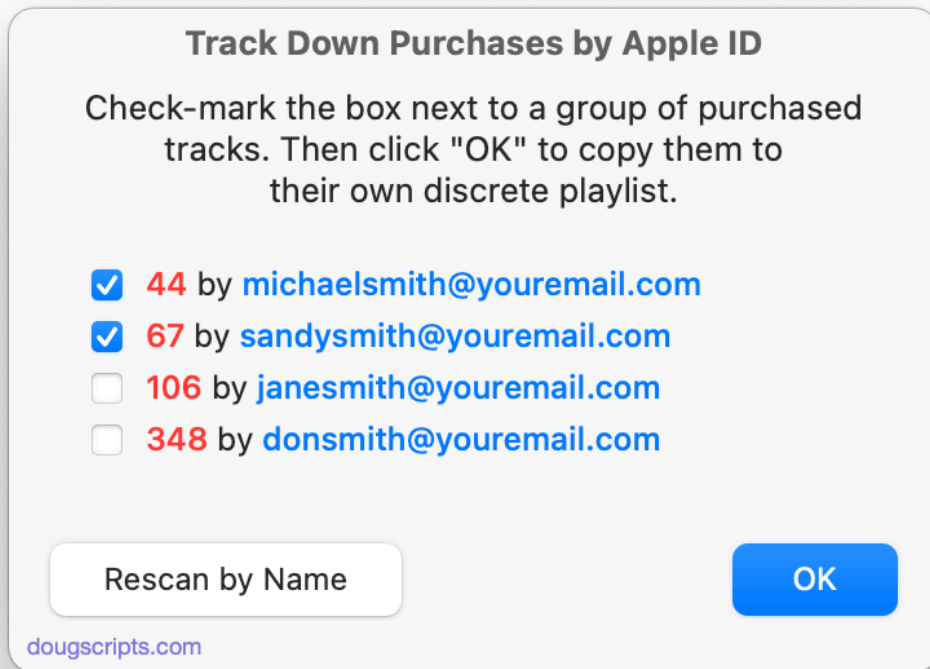
To Quit, leave blank and click "OK".

Purchase via PayPal - \$1.99

OK

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After **registering**, this results panel will display:



The **registered version** can sort the tracks into discrete playlists named with the Purchaser and then move each of these into a Playlist Folder named "**Purchaser_Playlists**". On subsequent launches, these playlists will be re-created.

- **If you want to preserve the playlists created by the app**, rename them and move them out of the "Purchaser_Playlists" folder playlist. This folder playlist will be re-created on each launch and the playlists it contains will be deleted (of course, the tracks remain in the library).

- **I suggest you run the app twice**, first By Apple ID and then By Name, preserving the playlists in each case; some older purchased files' metadata may contain only the name **or** only the ID.

- **Don't manipulate the Music app while the script is operating.** It may cause mishaps.

To **quit** the applet, select "Quit" from the app menu or press **Command-Q**.

Helpful Links:

Information and download link for this script is located at:

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

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

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Recent Version History:

v5.2 January 10, 2023

- Maintenance and minor performance fixes
- Accommodations for macOS 13 Ventura

v5.1 December 14, 2021

- Officially compiled as Universal
- Commensurate improvements for M1 Macs
- Fixes issue that may send extra track copies to results playlists

v5.0 July 12, 2021

- Initial accommodation for macOS 12 Monterey
- UI, performance and security enhancements

v4.4 February 21, 2021

- Fixes issue when no local files are available
- Additional accommodations for macOS 11 Big Sur

v4.3 November 3, 2020

- Additional accommodations for macOS 11 Big Sur

v4.2 September 23, 2020

- Accommodations for macOS 11 Big Sur
- Performance, UI and security enhancements

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