

Rapid Reference: Introduction to TrueCrypt: On-the-Fly Encryption

Getting Started

Downloading TrueCrypt


1. Go to <http://www.truecrypt.org/downloads.php>.

 Download

2. Click the **Download** button for your OS and version (Window, Mac, Linux).

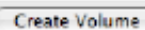
3. Follow the installer steps to install TrueCrypt on your computer.

Opening TrueCrypt

 TrueCrypt

1. **Double click** the **TrueCrypt icon** to start the program.

Creating a TrueCrypt Container

 Create Volume

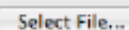
1. **Click** the **Create Volume** button.

2. Choose **Create a standard TrueCrypt volume**.

Create a standard TrueCrypt volume

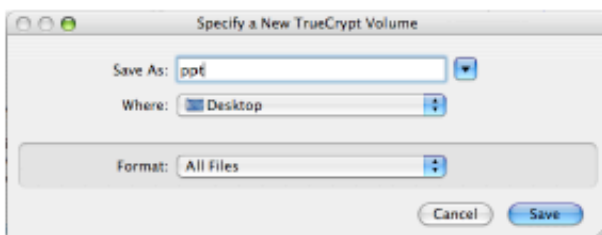
 Next >

3. Click **Next**.

 Select File...

4. Click **Select File** button.

5. Choose what to **name** your TrueCrypt container and **where to create it**.



 Save

6. Click **Save**

 Next >

7. Click **Next**

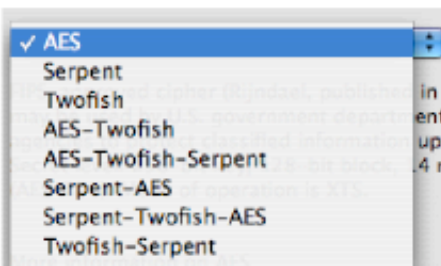
8. Choose a **volume size**. It is recommended that the volume size be **at least 1 MB**

MB

 Next >

9. Click **Next**

10. Choose an **encryption algorithm** (if you're not sure, just use default settings).



 Next >

11. Click **Next**

12. Create a good **volume password**. Type it in.

Password:

Confirm password:

 Next >

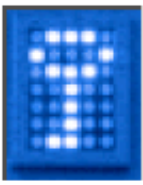
13. Click **Next**

14. Choose a **format option** for your volume,.

Filesystem type:

 Next >

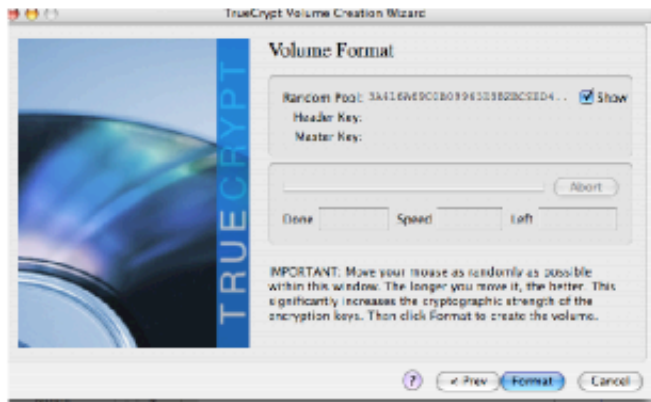
15. Click **Next**

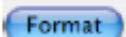


Rapid Reference: Introduction to TrueCrypt: On-the-Fly Encryption

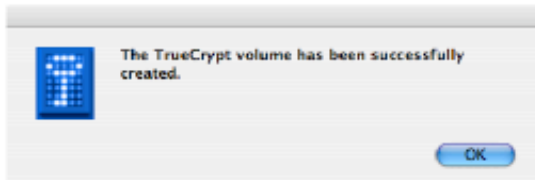
Creating a TrueCrypt Container (Cont.)

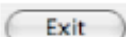
16. **Move your mouse randomly** for at least **30 seconds** (you'll see the random pool change). This increases the cryptographic strength of the keys (better security).



 17. Click the **Format** button.

18. A pop up window will notify you that the volume has been created. Click **OK**.



 19. When you are finished, click **Exit**.

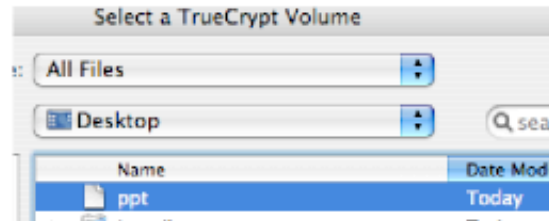
Mounting and Viewing the TrueCrypt Volume

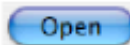
1. Choose a **volume slot** to mount your TrueCrypt volume.

Slot ▲	Volume
1	
2	
3	

 2. Click **Select File** button.

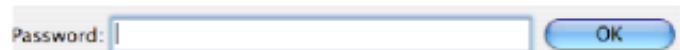
3. Select the **TrueCrypt volume**.



 4. Click **Open**

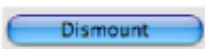
 5. Click **Mount**

6. **Enter the password** for the volume and click **OK**.



7. The volume will mount. **Double click to access it** and put files that you want to encrypt into it.



 8. Click **Dismount** when you are finished.

Help

For **technical support issues** for TrueCrypt, contact TrueCrypt here:

<http://www.truecrypt.org/contact.php>