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Posted by [JackMacWindows](#) on Wed, 16 Nov 2016 01:38:58 GMT

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Off hand bloatware is bloatware. Asking you system to handle Bloat is just asking for trouble.

A balanced system is always the most usable. Rarely is much if anything gained by adding CPU load or leaning into more RAM overhead.

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Words about iPod are strange. If you dare to upgrade, keep in mind that Leopard officially works on 8xx Mhz CPUs and faster, you'll have to tweak the installer. But that's easy, because the corresponding software is easy to find.

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Do you ever use benchmarking?

Do you keep records of it?

go ahead, Benchmark your prestn OS. And also give it a task on a file to accomplish like sending a 5 GB movie file to an external drive and write down the time.

The install your dream OS and perform the exact same tests. Compare. Then you will know for yourself and no one can second guess you or lead you astray. You can always shift back.

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