

Weather House User Manual

macOS

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Local weather in a traditional weather house

Weather House combines local weather readings with animated figures, a thermometer, a national flag and an optional weather scene. This guide covers windows, menus and keyboard controls on Mac.

Start here

Allow location access, choose your preferred units and leave Easter Eggs off for everyday use. Turn Conditions on to show temperature, humidity and wind beneath the house.

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Weather House in a standard Mac window

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Quick start

1. Open Weather House with an internet connection and allow location access when requested.
2. Choose Weather House > Settings or press Command-comma.
3. Choose °C or °F and Bft or m/s, then select the labels and animations you want.
4. Turn Conditions on to show temperature, humidity and wind. Click the bar for detailed weather.
5. Use Set Background to choose the canvas appearance.
6. Close Settings. Keep Easter Eggs off when the flag and figures should follow your location.

Action	Control
Open Settings	Weather House > Settings or Command-comma
Detailed weather	Click the Conditions bar
Default size	View > Default View
Full screen	View > Full Screen or Control-Command-F
Zoom	View > Zoom In / Zoom Out
Quit	Weather House > Quit Weather House or Command-Q

Reading the main window

Figures

The woman moves farther out as humidity decreases; the man moves farther out as humidity increases. The four poses form one transition animation. This is a traditional humidity indicator, not a direct rain forecast.

Thermometer, flag and sky

The thermometer shows rounded temperature. Animate Flag follows wind; when off, its first frame remains still. Animate Weather places the reported sun or moon and cloud layer behind the base house.

Labels and Conditions

Label City displays the resolved town. Show Date/Time adds local date and time. Conditions shows temperature, humidity and wind. Click it for the detailed weather report.

Resize

Resize with the window edge or the small borderless handle. The display scales with the window and is capped at its intended default presentation size.

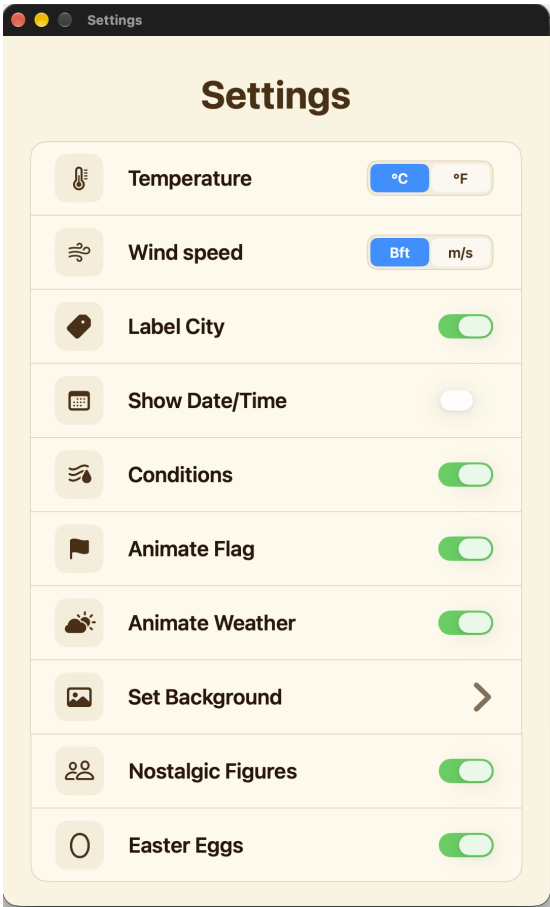


Main window with animated rain and the Conditions bar

Settings and detailed weather

Control	Purpose
Temperature	Celsius or Fahrenheit.
Wind speed	Beaufort or metres per second.
Label City	Show the resolved town.
Show Date/Time	Show local date and time.
Conditions	Show temperature, humidity and wind.
Animate Flag	Move the flag with wind.
Animate Weather	Show the reported weather scene.
Set Background	Open background controls.
Nostalgic Figures	Use dedicated country artwork.
Easter Eggs	Enable manual country browsing.

Changes take effect immediately. Green switches are on; pale switches are off. Blue marks the selected unit. The screenshot is an example configuration. Use About Weather House for version, copyright and legal links.



macOS Settings in version 1.1 build 73

Detailed weather

Click the Conditions bar for current condition, temperature, humidity, wind, pressure, visibility, precipitation, dew point, UV, sunrise and sunset, plus hourly and multi-day forecasts when supplied. A dash means unavailable data, not zero.

Window, View and Easter Egg controls

Task	How to do it
Move the house	Drag the decorative canvas while it is not in full screen.
Resize	Drag a window edge or the borderless resize handle.
Default View	Choose View > Default View to restore the standard size.
Full Screen	Choose View > Full Screen or press Control-Command-F.
Zoom	Choose View > Zoom In or View > Zoom Out.
Transparent presentation	Full Screen is disabled when Background is Transparent and Animate Weather is off.
Settings	Choose Weather House > Settings or press Command-comma.
About and Help	Use About Weather House and the Help menu.
Quit	Choose Quit Weather House or press Command-Q.

Easter Eggs

1. Turn Easter Eggs on and return focus to the house window.
2. Press Left Arrow or Right Arrow for the previous or next country.
3. The flag changes first; the figures then perform one transition animation.
4. Turn Easter Eggs off to restore the location-based flag, figures and weather scene.

Easter Eggs changes only the visual preview. Detailed weather continues to use the Mac location. Nostalgic Figures selects dedicated country artwork where available; otherwise regional artwork is used.

Backgrounds, About and support

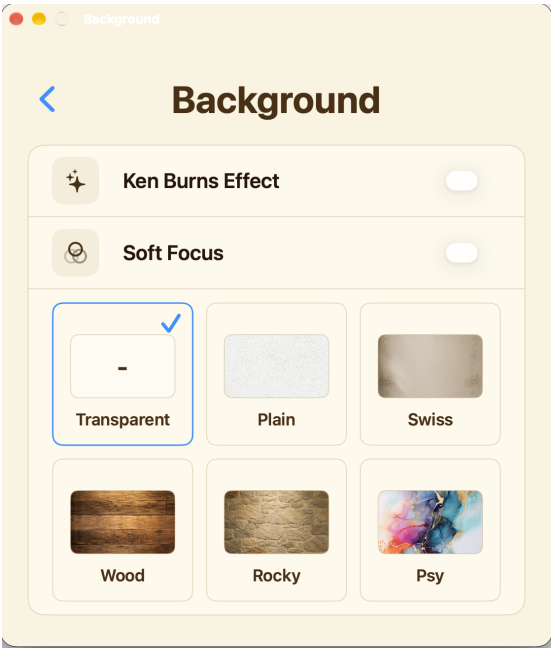
Backgrounds

Set Background opens the macOS Background panel. Choose Transparent, Plain, Swiss, Wood, Rocky or Psy. A blue border and checkmark show the selected option. Transparent clears the built-in background. Ken Burns Effect adds gentle pan and zoom; Soft Focus softens the background. Use the blue back arrow to return. Animate Weather controls the weather scene separately. The Mac panel has no Photos grid or Animate slideshow switch.

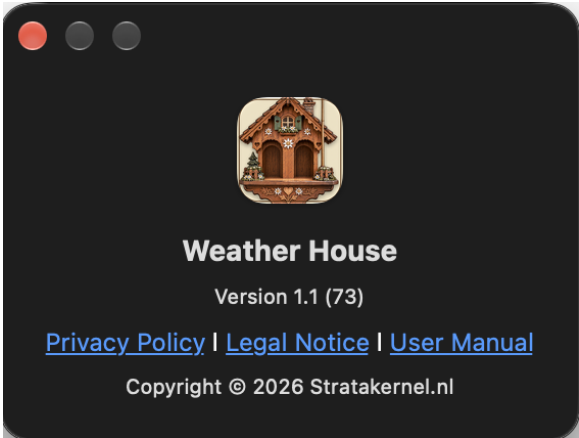
About Weather House

Choose Weather House > About Weather House. The window shows the app icon, Version 1.1 (73), Privacy Policy, Legal Notice, User Manual and Copyright © 2026 Stratakernel.nl. Close it with the red window button.

Question	What to check
Town or weather missing	Check Location Services and network access, then reopen the app.
Wrong flag	Turn Easter Eggs off.
Missing dedicated figures	Turn Nostalgic Figures on; unsupported countries use regional figures.
Background or scene unexpected	Review Animate Weather and the selected background.
A value is a dash	The provider did not supply that measurement.
View command unavailable	Full Screen is disabled for the transparent presentation.



Background choices on macOS



About Weather House with version and legal links

When reporting an issue, include the Mac model, macOS version, app version and build, exact steps and a screenshot. This manual describes version 1.1, build 73.

Reading detailed weather

Click the Conditions bar beneath the house to open this report. Click X in the upper-right corner to return to the main window.

Location and time

The header shows the town, country, date and time. Easter Egg previews do not change the location used for this report.

Current condition and temperature

The large temperature and weather symbol describe the current reported condition. The red upward arrow and blue downward arrow identify the high and low temperatures.

Measurements

The first strip shows temperature, relative humidity and wind speed in your chosen units. Further rows show wind direction, feels-like temperature, pressure, visibility, rain chance, rain now, dew point and UV index, followed by sunrise and sunset.

Missing values

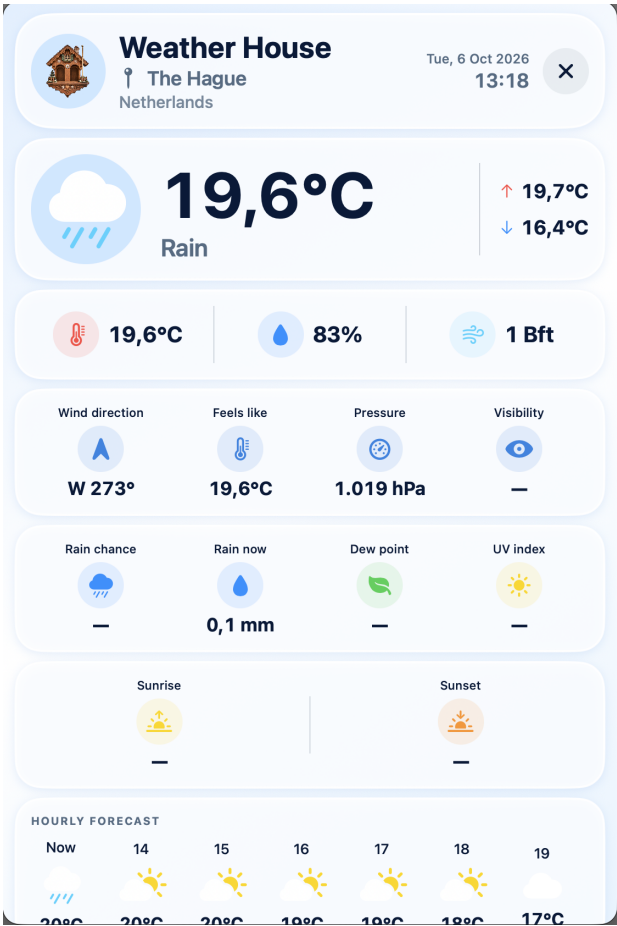
A dash means the provider did not supply the value. It does not mean zero. In this example, visibility, rain chance, dew point, UV index, sunrise and sunset are unavailable.

Forecasts

Scroll down to see the rest of the hourly forecast and any multi-day forecast supplied by the weather provider. The screenshot shows the upper part of the report.

Example readings

The example shows Rain in The Hague, 19.6°C, 83% relative humidity, 1 Bft wind and 0.1 mm rain now. Values change with time and location.



Detailed weather report with the hourly forecast below