

SUBROSASOFT's
MacForensicsLab Social Agent



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Overview

Overview of MacForensicsLab Social Agent

This section provides an overview of MacForensicsLab Social Agent and its features, functionality and design.

About MacForensicsLab Social Agent

Welcome to MacForensicsLab Social Agent. If this is your first time using SubRosaSoft.com Inc.'s software, be assured you made the right decision. SubRosaSoft.com Incorporated is the world-wide leader in Macintosh-based forensics, with many federal, state and local law enforcement organizations around the globe using our software. In addition, our lines of forensic software is used by the military, intelligence community, and many privately owned and operated organizations seeking a powerful and innovative forensic solution.

As a company, SubRosaSoft.com Incorporated is dedicated to providing forensic solutions that not only meet and exceed your expectations but that change the way modern computer forensics are performed. Traditional computer forensic software development has mirrored the needs of traditional law enforcement by developing a solution only as a problem presented itself. In doing so, law enforcement is left without a timely answer to their technological dilemma. When the momentum of an investigation suffers due to a purely reactive development cycle, criminals go unpunished and victims are left needing resolution or worse, new victims are created. SubRosaSoft.com Inc. seeks to change that paradigm by offering expandable and scalable solutions that can adapt to an organization's needs and anticipate problems through use of intelligent proactive development.

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MacForensicsLab Social Agent allows forensics examiners and detectives to quickly search a suspects Apple Safari internet cache for the presence of information related to various social networking sites. Screenshots of social network sites the user visited are displayed once identified and may contain valuable evidence for an investigator. Social Agent only works on Macs running Safari. Other browsers are not currently supported.

System Requirements

Overview

This section covers the basic and recommended system requirements for successfully running MacForensicsLab Social Agent. Modern forensic processes require not only powerful systems to process the massive amount of data, but a scalable solution designed to harness the system resources for greater speed and increased functionality. Nevertheless, MacForensicsLab Social Agent has been specifically optimized for efficiency and speed through the use of appropriate memory allocation and a multi-threaded design.

Mac OS X Requirements

- Apple Macintosh G4 800MHZ or faster (Intel based Mac recommended)
- Mac OS X (version 10.4 or newer)

-1 GB of RAM

Registration Number

Each user is required to have a registration number, otherwise known as a serial number, in order to complete the full version installation of the software properly. Whether the software has been purchased online or through a third party retail channel, the user needs the registration number when preparing for installation of the software.

Online Purchase

When purchasing the software online at: <http://www.MacForensicsLab.com/>, the registration number is automatically emailed as part of the purchase confirmation. If a confirmation email is not received, please ensure that it has not mistakenly been placed in the email client's junk folder before requesting technical support. Having received the email, please make a print out and store this in a safe and secure place for future reference.

Note: A serial number is not required for the special Flash Key based version.

Retail Purchase

If the software was purchased through a retail channel, the registration number should be inside the DVD case. Please be sure to keep these details in a safe and secure place.

Updates and Upgrades

A single registration number is valid for incremental updates to the purchased version of MacForensicsLab Social Agent. When upgrading between versions the purchase of a new registration number will be required. For information on upgrades, please email sales@subrosasoft.com.

Lost Registration Number

Please ensure that you keep your registration number in a safe and secure place. Print off confirmation emails or back them up. SubRosaSoft Inc. cannot guarantee the ability to re-issue serial numbers for our users.

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Downloading from the Web Site

It is important for any user to ensure that they have the latest version of the MacForensicsLab Social Agent software. The latest version is always freely available for download on our web site at: <http://www.MacForensicsLab.com/>

A download link, alongside version information, is accessible on the product page of the site. Simply click the respective link and a compressed archive file will automatically begin to download to the desktop, or another specified download location.

MacForensicsLab Social Agent versions are distributed in a ZIP archive format and can be decompressed in the Mac OS X Finder with a simple double-click of file icon. This will place the decompressed application file in the same location as the original ZIP archive, most likely the Downloads folder.

Note: The software can be run directly from the special Flash Key based version.

Installation

Having decompressed the folder, simply drag and drop Social Agent where you would like the application to reside and be run from. Investigators may want to copy Social Agent to a USB flash drive to allow them to run the application on a suspect's Mac.

Uninstalling MacForensicsLab Social Agent

MacForensicsLab Social Agent is a completely self-contained application and requires no special functionality to uninstall it. The procedure to uninstall MacForensicsLab Social Agent is to navigate to the application, highlight MacForensicsLab Agent and either drag and drop it into the Trash.

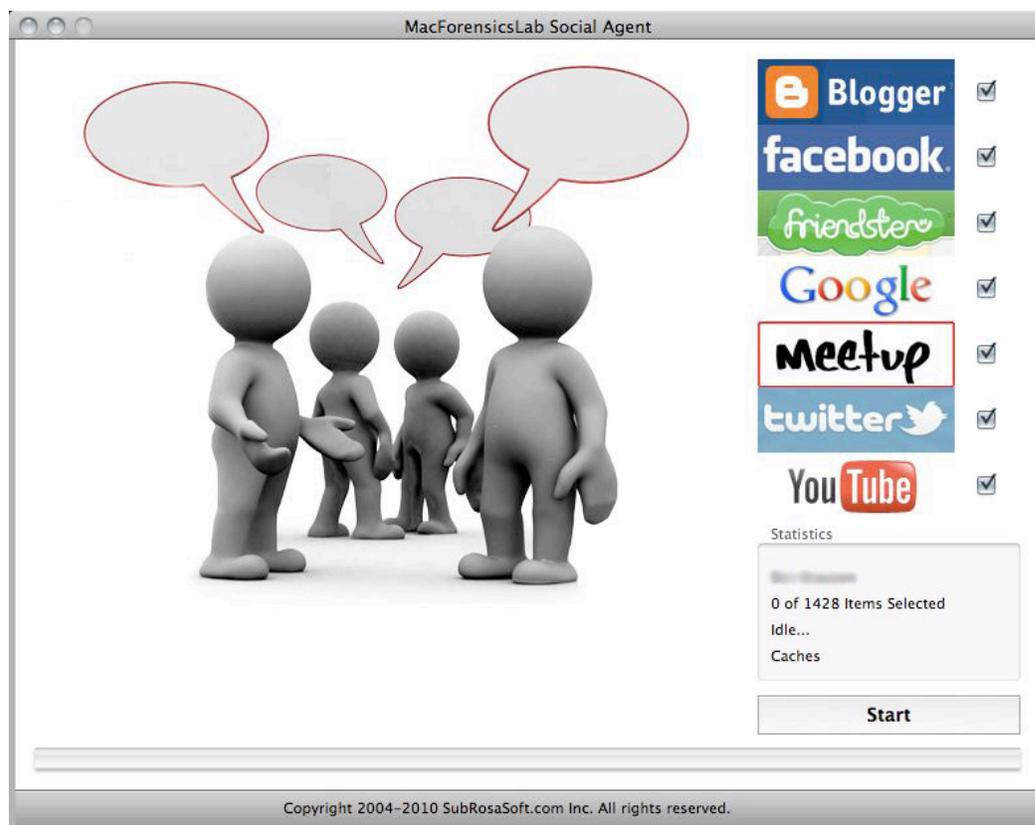
Initial Setup

The first time the application is launched the user will be asked accept the End User License Agreement (EULA – see Appendix C) and then to enter a valid registration

number. After the registration number has been entered, the user will then be taken to the 'Main Window'.

Elements of MacForensicsLab Social Agent

Designed for non-technical personnel, Social Agent is extremely easy to use; there is no rebooting, troubleshooting or complex interfaces. It quickly searches for information related to a number of social network sites. By quickly providing images relevant to an investigator's interests, MacForensicsLab Social Agent is an invaluable tool to all law enforcement agencies.

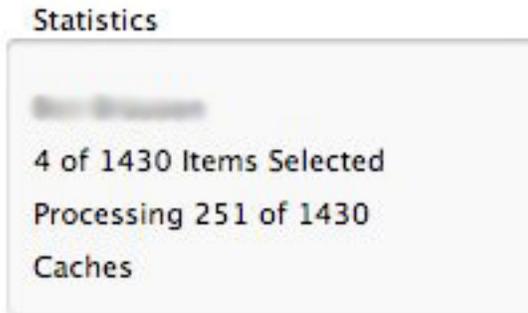


Social networks

MacForensicsLab Social Agent has the ability to search a number of popular social networks for information that may be valuable to an investigation. These networks are shown in Social Agent and include; Blogger, Facebook, Friendster, Google, Meetup, Twitter, and YouTube. Each network has a checkbox next to it's name to allow the investigator to select the networks Social Agent will search for. By default, all networks are selected. Simply un-check the box next to a network's name to skip searching for that network. Check it to include the network in the search.

The 'Statistics' area

The statistics area shows various information about the search.



The first thing shown is the username of the account that will be searched. This is the name of the account the user is currently logged into. SubRosaSoft.com Inc. suggests investigators either purchase Social Agent on a USB thumb drive or install the application on their own thumb drive so they may attach the drive to a suspect machine and run Social Agent on the active system.

The next line shows the number of items found in the Safari cache. As a search is run, this statistic will show the number of files found out of the total number of files.

The third line shows the number of files that are being processed out of the total number of files.

Running MacForensicsLab Social Agent

Configuring MacForensicsLab Social Agent

The first step in configuring Social Agent is to select the social networks to be searched for. By default, all networks are selected. To de-select a network and remove it from the search, simply uncheck the box next to its name. To select a network, check the corresponding box.

Running a search

Once the user has selected the social networks they wish to search for, click the **Start** button. This will display a save dialog. Select the folder you wish to save the search results to and click **Choose**. The search will then begin. Search statistics will be shown in the **Statistics** area and images of the social networks will be shown as they are found in the main window.

Reviewing search results

Name	Date Modified
▶ folder blogger_thumbnail	Today, 7:33 PM
▶ folder facebook	Today, 7:32 PM
▶ folder facebook_thumbnail	Today, 7:32 PM
▶ folder google	Today, 7:31 PM
document icon Log.txt	Today, 7:33 PM
▶ folder meetup	Today, 7:31 PM
▶ folder meetup_thumbnail	Today, 7:31 PM
▶ folder youtube_thumbnail	Today, 7:33 PM

When the search has completed, the folder containing the search results it opened in the Finder. This folder's name contains the username of the account that was scanned along with the time and data of the scan. Within this folder are subfolders for each social network found. Some networks will also have a folder containing thumbnails of the images. These folders have the name of the social network with **_thumbnail** appended to the end of the name. Within each folder are the images found during the scan. These images are the screen shot images cached by Safari. Hash values, source and destination information for each image are stored in the search folder in the text file titled **Log.txt**.

Getting Help and Technical Support

Finding Help within MacForensicsLab Social Agent

Help can be found both via the small, context sensitive information clips that appear when the examiner rolls the mouse over a window element, as well as the standard help menu at the top of the screen. Contextual tool tips include buttons and parts of MacForensicsLab Social Agent that require some form of user interaction.

On the Web

We provide over 100 links to forensic resources, manuals, a complete knowledge base and a plethora of additional information on our website. For updates, resources and additional information please visit:

<http://www.MacForensicsLab.com>

Technical Support

We provide free technical support both via email or phone during the hours **10am to 6pm** Pacific Standard Time (GMT -8) **Monday to Friday**. By email, we can be reached at the following address: support@macforensicslab.com. By phone, we can be reached at: +1 (510) 870 7883, or by fax on +1 (510) 868 3407.

In addition to any support question(s), the examiner must include **ALL** of the following pieces of information:

- Valid registration number or purchase information.
- System configuration(s) – hard drive make, model etc.
- System OS version.
- System related information can be found by using the “System Profiler” application in the -/Applications/Utilities folder.

Comments and Questions

If you have comments, problems, or questions about this product, or if you are interested in a site license, please contact us via email: info@macforensicslab.com

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