



## **PocketMac Theme Creator™ 1.0 Installation & Setup**

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# 1 Getting Started...

This manual is designed to offer a complete tour of PocketMac Theme Creator™. So, let's get started...

## ***1.1 Basic System Requirements***

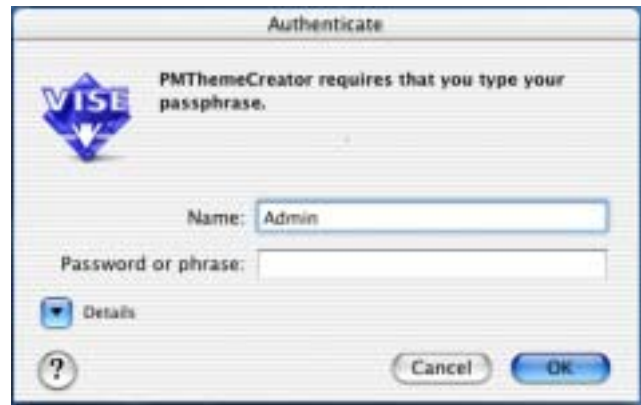
Please ensure that your system meets the following basic requirements before using PocketMac Theme Creator.

- PocketMac 3.0 or other sync software for Macs/Pocket PCs (PocketMac required for some features.)
- Pocket PC 2002/2003 device
- 2 MB Free disk space on the Mac.

If it does, we're all set to go!

## 1.2 Install/Uninstall

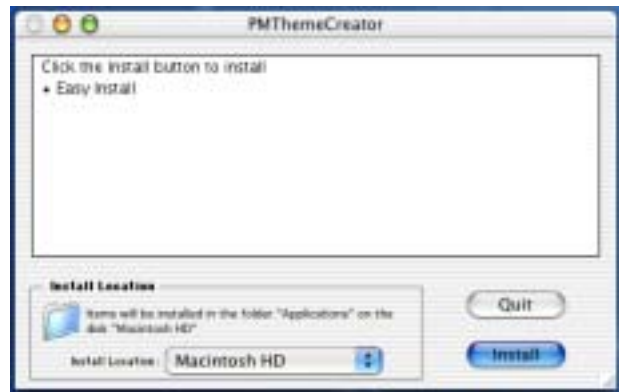
To install PocketMac Theme Creator on your Mac, unpack the SIT or HQX file you downloaded and double-click on the PMThemeCreator icon the file unpacks. PocketMac Theme Creator installation requires administrative privileges, so you are next prompted to enter your password or phrase.



This is the username/password you created when you set up your Mac for the very first time.

If you are attempting to install PocketMac Theme Creator using an account on your Mac that does not have administrative privileges, installation will fail at this point. You must install PocketMac Theme Creator using a user account on your Mac that has administrative privileges.

Once you have entered your password, the PocketMac Theme Creator installation screen appears. This screen lets you select the location on your Mac in which the PocketMac Theme Creator software is installed. The default location is the "Applications" folder on your main hard drive. We recommend that all users install PocketMac Theme Creator to this location; only advanced users should select a different location.



At the top left of the PocketMac Theme Creator installation screen, the "Install" option is selected by default. To start the installation, click on the "Install" button on the lower right side of the installation screen.

If you should later decide to *uninstall* PocketMac Theme Creator, double-click on the PMThemeCreator icon. You will be prompted for your Mac system password; enter it. When the PocketMac Theme Creator installation screen appears, select "Uninstall" from the dropdown menu box in the upper left side of the PocketMac Theme Creator installation screen. Next, click "Uninstall" from the lower right side of the PocketMac Theme Creator installation screen. When install has concluded, select "Quit" from the lower right side of the screen.

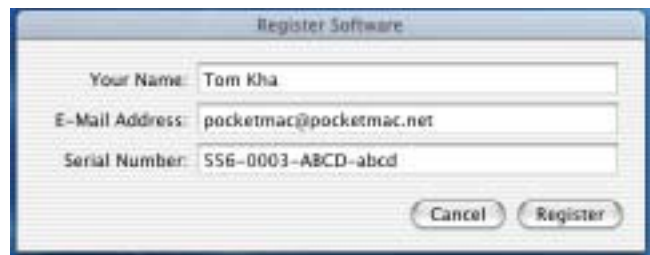
## 2 Launching PocketMac Theme Creator for the First Time

To start PocketMac Theme Creator, go to your main "Applications" folder and find PocketMac Theme Creator. Then double-click to start it. Upon starting, PocketMac Theme Creator will prompt you for your registration information (see below).

### 2.1 Entering the Registration Information

When PocketMac Theme Creator is launched for the first time, it will ask for the registration information by displaying the "Register Software" screen, as shown here.

You can register the software by entering your name, email address, and the serial number from the confirmation email you received as part of the purchase process. [Click here to have your confirmation email resent.](#) (Please note that serial numbers are case-sensitive. This means that "xyz" is not the same as "XYZ" nor "xYz", etc.) **We highly recommend copying (CMD+"C") and pasting (CMD+"V") the serial number to ensure no errors in transcribing it.**



The Register Software window will connect to the Internet and "activate" the software for this Macintosh. Each serial number can be activated on a maximum of two Macintoshes.

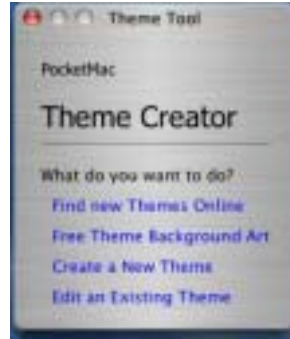
PocketMac Theme Creator will automatically quit if the Register Software window is unable to activate the software. If you would like to launch it manually, you can do so from an alias in the "Applications" folder, inside the "PocketMac Bonus Software" folder.

When you're done entering your registration information, click the Register button to activate the software.

### 3 The PocketMac Theme Creator Start-Up Screen

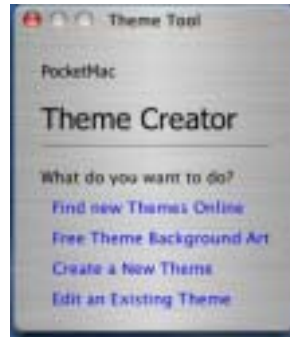
After registering PocketMac Theme Creator, you will get the startup window for the program. This is basically a launching point for you to decide how you want to use PocketMac Theme Creator. There are four choices.

- 1) *Create A New Theme*—Create a new customized theme for your Pocket PC.
- 2) *Edit An Existing Theme*—You can open an existing theme and customize it as you wish.
- 3) *Find New Themes Online*—Choose from our preset themes available on our site.
- 4) *Free Theme Background Art*—Download free background art to use in your own themes.



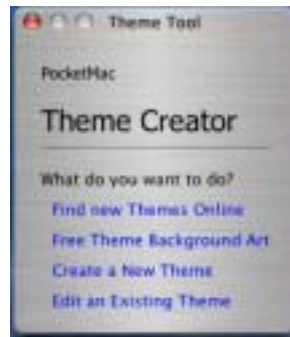
### 4 Find New Themes Online

If you'd like to find additional pre-made themes in our catalog, you click on "Find new Themes Online" from the start-up window. A web browser window will open and give you all the different themes that are available.



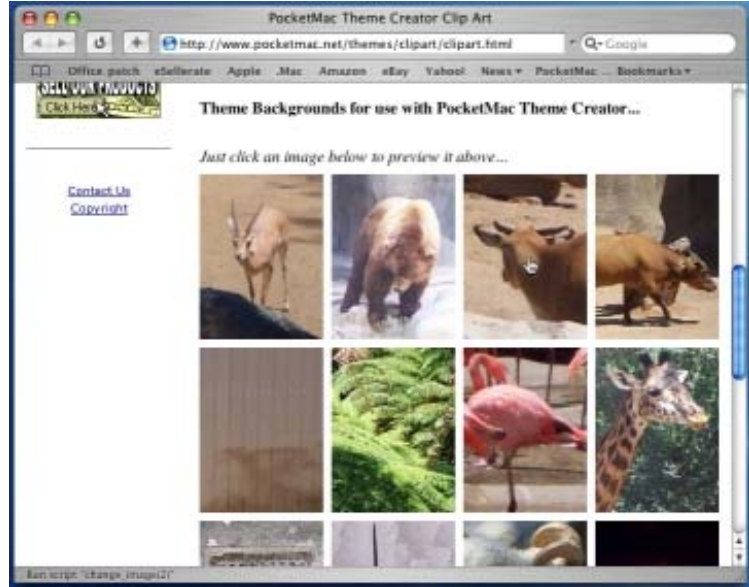
### 5 Find Free Theme Background Art

We have a gallery of free theme background art that you can use to create new themes. To access this gallery, click on "Free Theme Background Art". A new browser window will open and you'll have access to our entire gallery of free clip art.

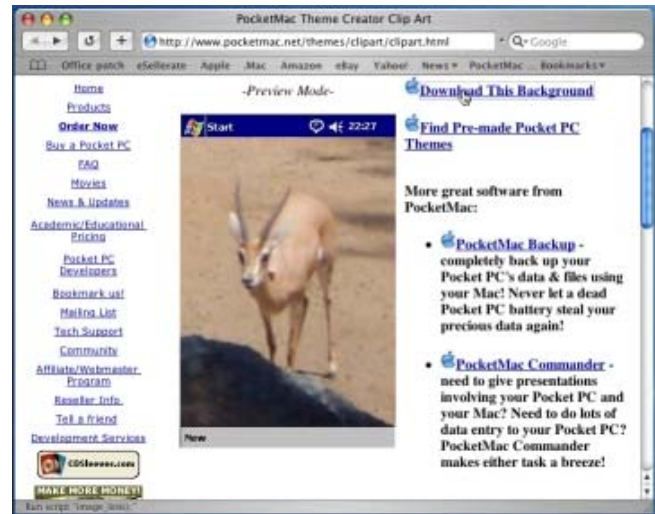


Once the browser window comes up, you'll be able to view the entire catalog of free background images for themes and incorporate them into your own themes.

There's a wide variety of images available. To see a preview of any of the images, just click on any image of interest. This will put the picture you're interested in the theme preview window.



To download an image you like, click the "Download This Background" link.



Then to download the image you've selected, press "Control" and click your mouse. You'll be able to download the image to your hard drive.



Once your file has been downloaded, you can select it as your background image in the "Background Image" option of the program.



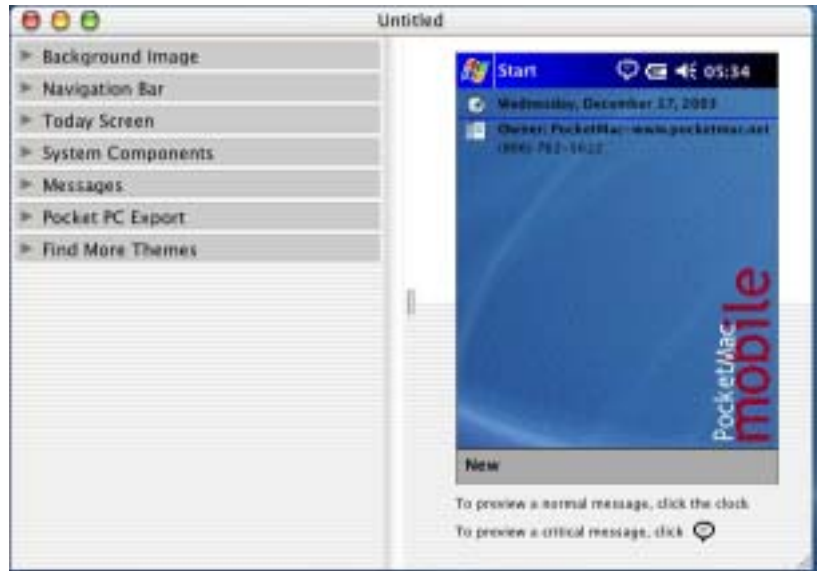
## 6 Creating A New Theme

Since this is the most popular feature of the program, we'll start here first.

This is the main window for PocketMac Theme Creator and where you can create a new, custom theme for your Pocket PC.

There's six different options for creating your own custom theme...

- *Background Image*—This changes the background image of your Pocket PC
- *Navigation Bar*—This changes the colors of the navigation bar of your Pocket PC.
- *Today Screen*—This changes the colors of your Today Screen.
- *System Components*—This changes the colors of various system elements.
- *Messages*—This changes the color of the messages, both critical and system.
- *Pocket PC Export*—This allows you to export your



newly designed theme to a TSK file or if you have PocketMac installed, you can simply have it set up as the main theme of your Pocket PC with the click of a button.

## 6.1 Setting The Background Image

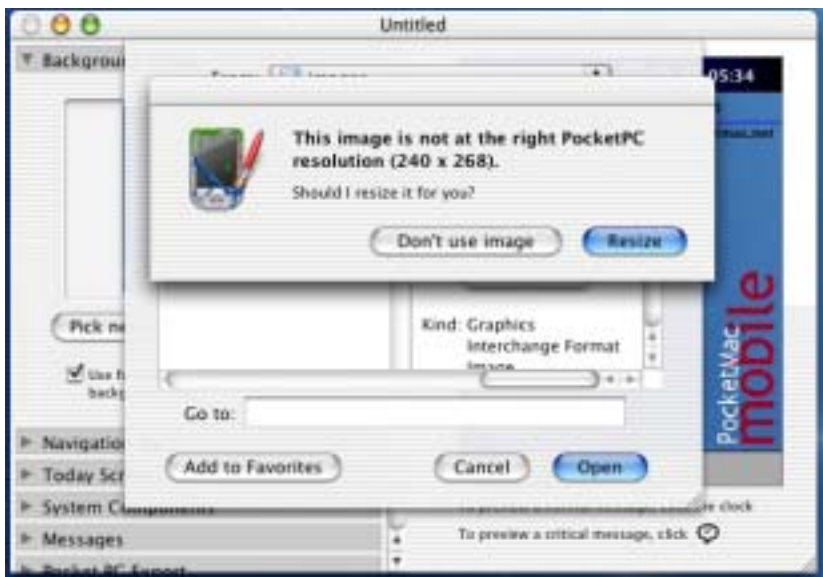
The background image is the most noticeable change you can make to the look and feel of your Pocket PC. With PocketMac theme creator, you can take any image and use that as the background of your Pocket PC.

To select the background image of your new theme, expand the "Background Image" option by clicking the "►" button.

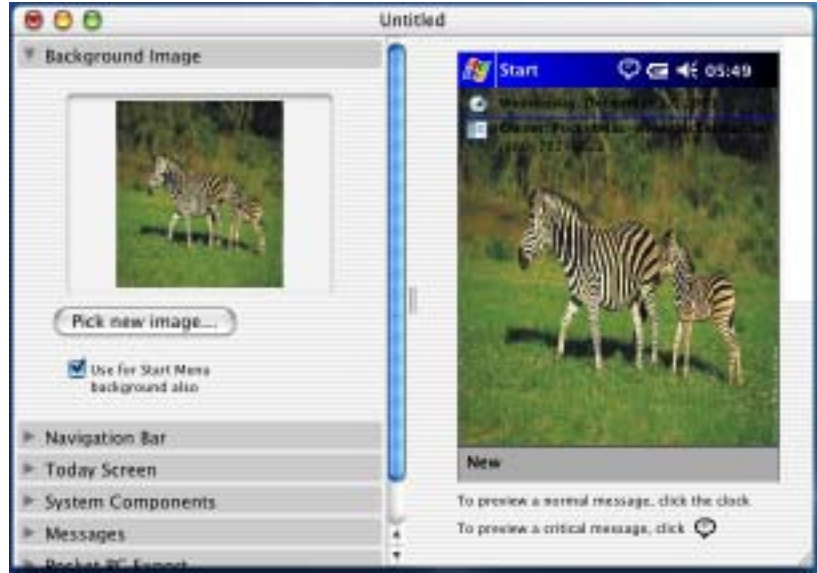
You can then click the "Pick Image" button. Then find the image you want on your system. When you've found it, double-click on it or click on it once and then click the "Open" button.



If your image is not automatically the right size for the Pocket PC screen, PocketMac Theme Creator can resize the image for you. To resize the image, click "Resize".



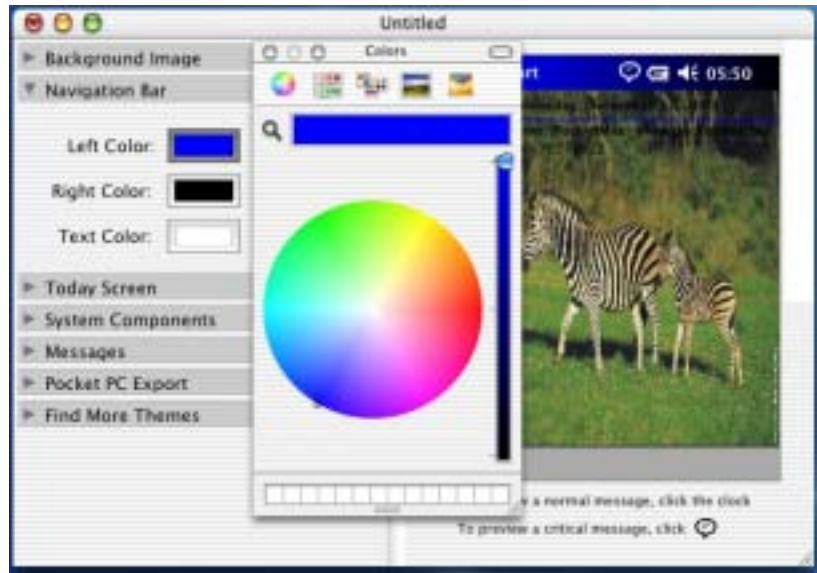
Here is a screenshot of what PocketMac Theme Creator will look like once your new image has been loaded. The background image change will immediately show up in the Theme Creator preview window.



## 6.2 Setting The Navigation Bar Options

To change the color of the navigation bar at the top of the Pocket PC screen, expand the "Navigation Bar" option by clicking the "▶" button.

You can then select the exact colors you want for your theme by clicking on each of the individual colors. You'll then be able to use the color wheel to select exactly what color you want for the navigation bar portion of the Pocket PC screen.

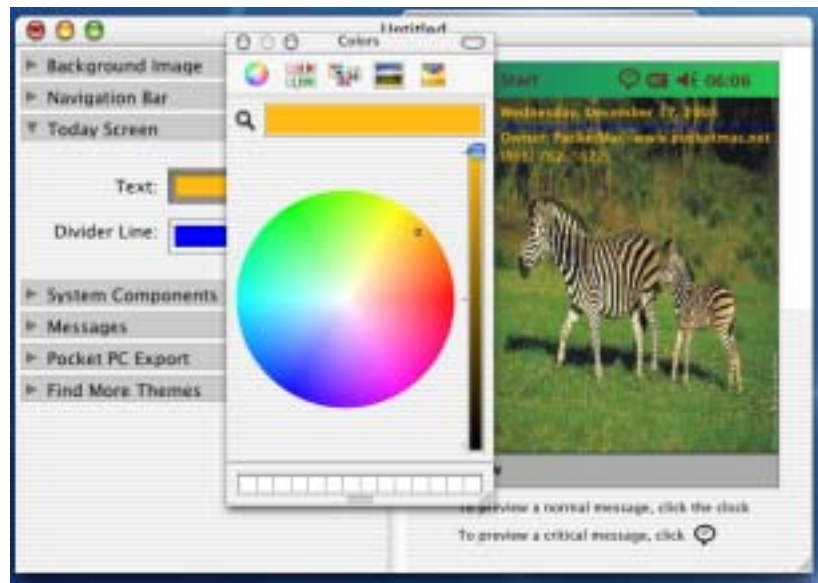


You can change all aspects of the Navigation bar, from the Left Color (start of the color spectrum in the Navigation Bar) to the Right Color (end of the Color spectrum in the Navigation Bar). You can also set the Text Color for the Navigation Bar. All changes will show up immediately in the preview window.

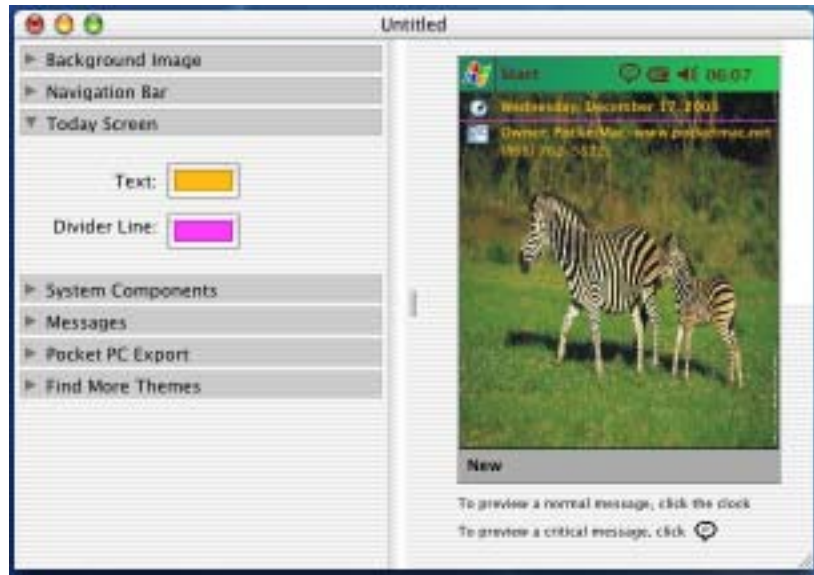


### 6.3 Changing The Today Screen Colors

To change the color of the text on the "Today Screen" portion of your new theme, simply expand the "Today Screen" option by clicking the "▶" button. Once there, as in the Navigation Bar, you can click on each color option and use the color wheel to select the colors you want.



After you select the colors for the Today Screen, they will show up in the theme preview so you can see the net effect of your changes.

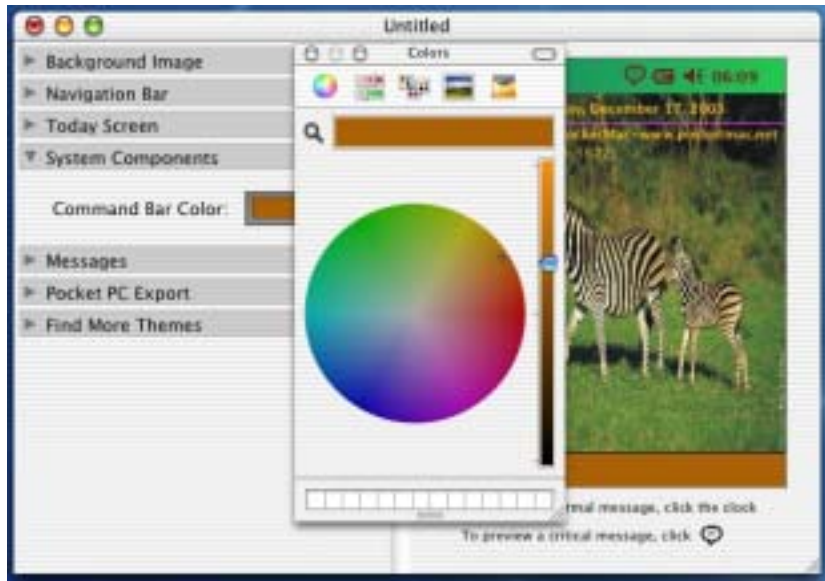


## 6.4 Changing The System Components

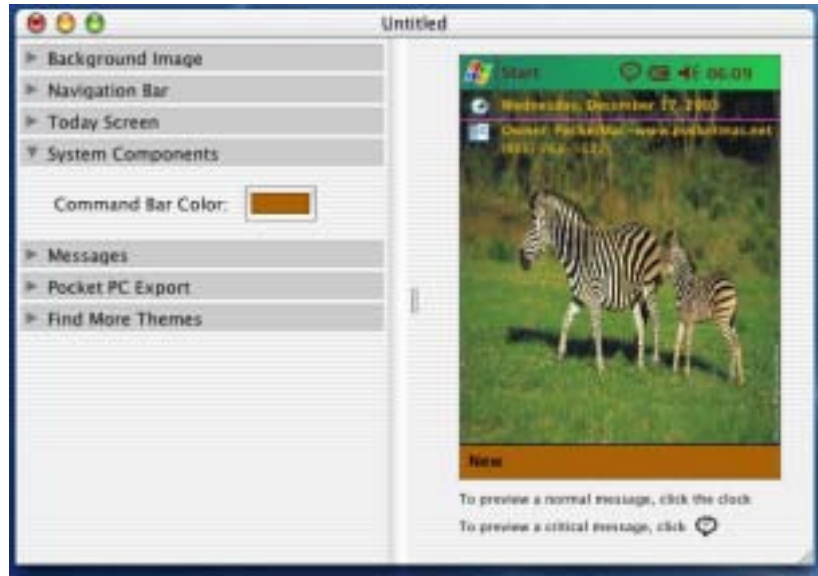
You can change the color of the command bar at the bottom of the Pocket PC by modifying the "System Components" option in PocketMac Theme Creator.

Again, expand the "System Components" option by clicking the "▶" button.

Once there you can set the colors of the Command Bar by selecting the color and using the color wheel to find the exact color you want.



Again, the changes you make will automatically show up in the theme preview window. In this screenshot, we can see the changes we just made show up in the theme preview option.



## 6.5 Changing The Messages Option

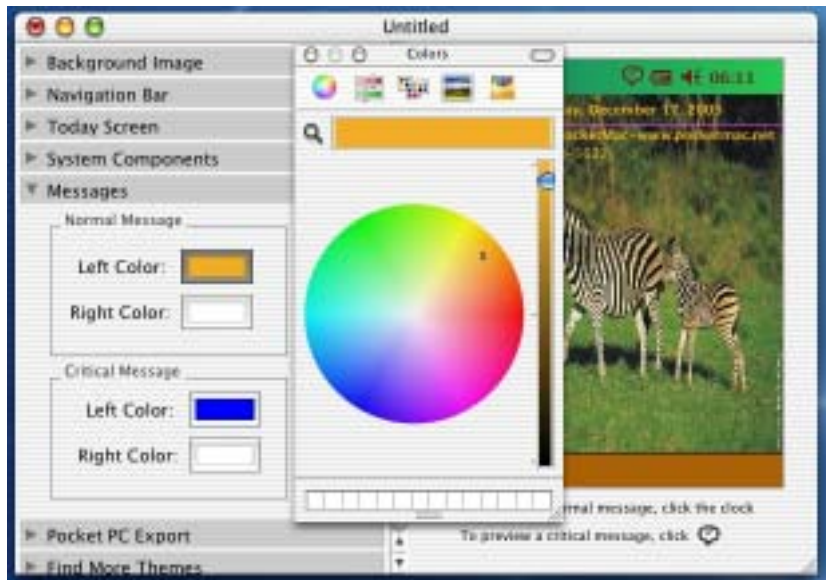
To change the look of the system messages your Pocket PC prompts you with, go to the "Messages" section of PocketMac Theme Creator. To set the specific options, expand the "Messages" option by clicking the "▶" button.

Then you can choose to change the color of both "Normal Messages" & "Critical Messages".

Normal Messages are ordinary system messages that the Pocket PC prompts you with.


Critical Messages are urgent system messages such as indication of low memory that need immediate attention.

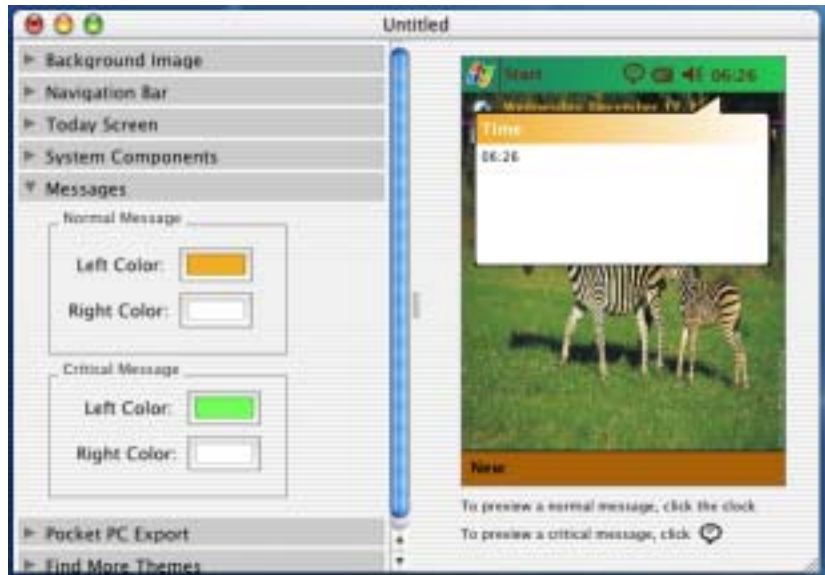
You can select the colors you want to change and use the color wheel to pick the color you want.



Once you've set the colors you want, you can preview how each message will be displayed.

To display how Normal Messages will be displayed, click the clock in the theme preview window.

To preview how Critical Messages will be displayed, click the  icon in the theme preview window.



## 6.6 Exporting Your Pocket PC Theme

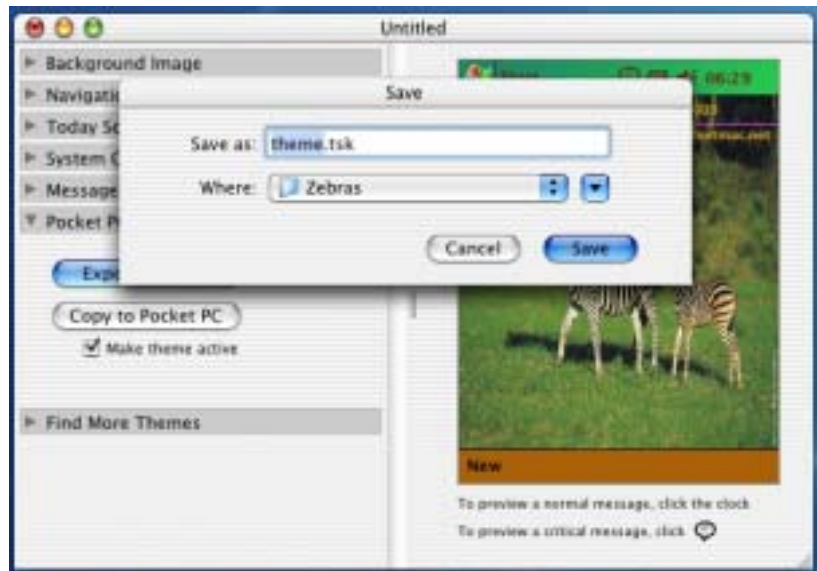
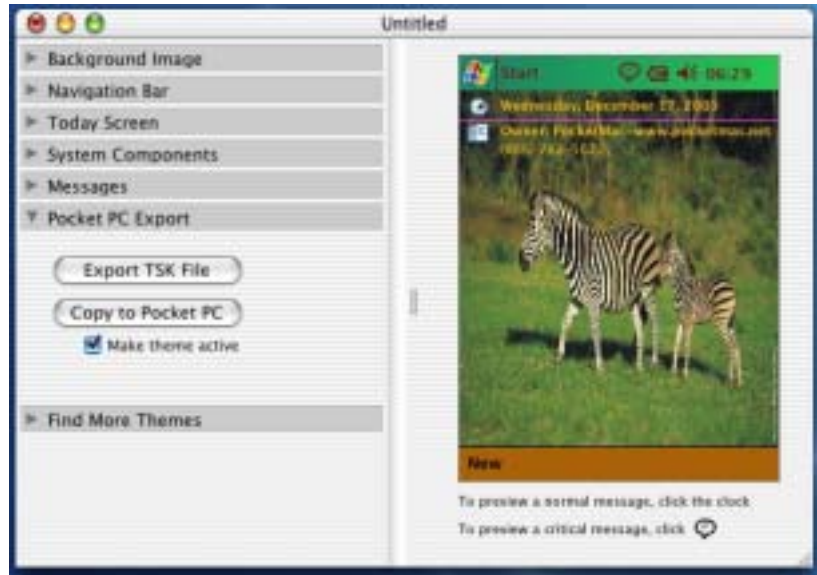
OK. So you've created your Pocket PC Theme and you want to have your Pocket PC display it.

To do this, expand the "Pocket PC Export" option by clicking the "▶" button.

You'll notice you have two buttons to choose from.

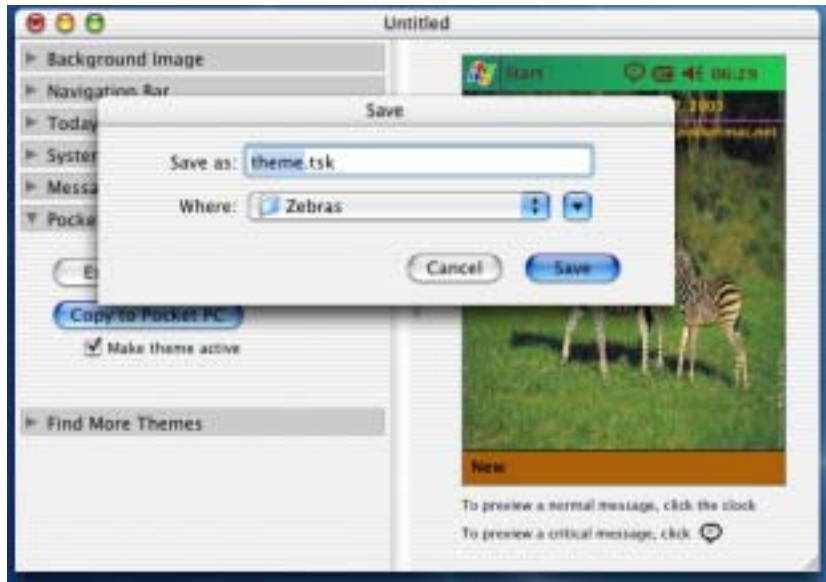
- 1) *Export TSK File*—This will export all of the work you've done into a standard Pocket PC TSK file on your Mac which you can copy to your Pocket PC and set to be your current theme.
- 2) *Copy To Pocket PC*—This allows you to copy your newly created theme directly to your Pocket PC. What's more, if you have PocketMac Pro installed, you can make the theme you just created the active or current theme.

To export your current theme as a TSK file on your Mac which you can then copy to your Pocket PC, simply click the "Export TSK File" button. Then select the folder you want to save the TSK file you just created and save it. You're all set!



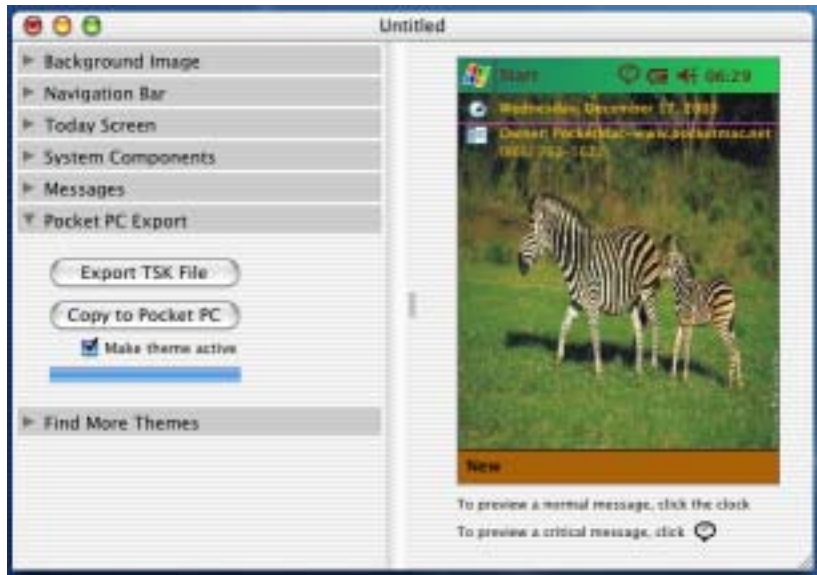
To copy your new theme directly to your Pocket PC, click the "Copy to Pocket PC" button. If you click "Make theme active", the theme you just created and saved will be the current theme on your Pocket PC. (Please note: for this feature to work, PocketMac Pro must be installed.)

You will then be asked to save the theme as a TSK file on your Mac. The theme will then be copied and if you requested, it will be set as the current theme for your Pocket PC.



Once the file is copied, a status bar will show up completed under "Make theme active".

Your theme has been exported to your Pocket PC!



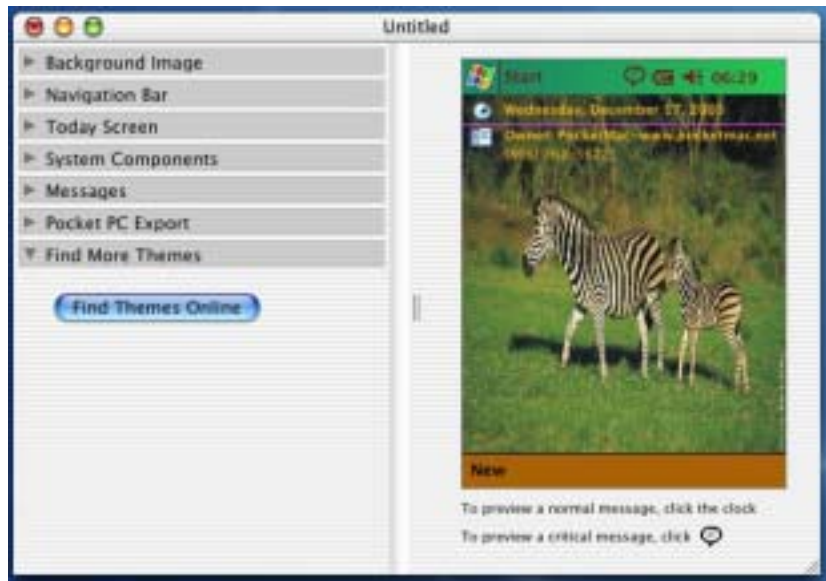
## 6.7 Saving Your Pocket PC Theme File On Your Mac

We recommend that you save the theme file you just created your Mac. While copying it to your Pocket PC will display it immediately, it will not save the theme to your Mac for future editing. To save your theme, select "File" from the PocketMac Theme Creator menu. Then select "Save" and you'll be prompted to name the theme and select where on your Mac you want it saved.



## 6.8 Finding Additional Themes Online

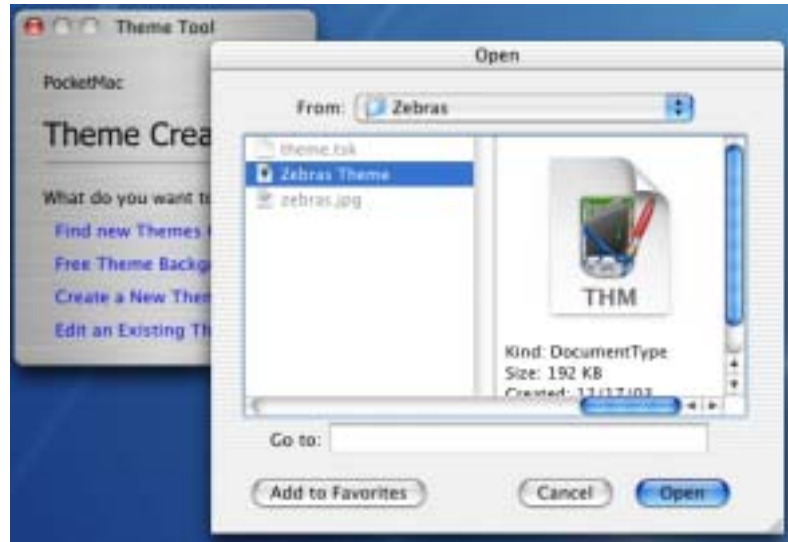
If you'd like to find additional pre-made themes, you can expand the "Find More Themes" option. Then click on "Find Themes Online" and you'll be taken to a gallery of existing themes.



## 7 Editing An Existing Theme

To edit an existing theme, simply click "Edit an Existing Theme" from the start-up window for PocketMac Theme Creator. You will then have the same options and customization possible for the new themes you create. In other words, you can modify the theme's...

- *Background Image*
- *Navigation Bar*
- *Today Screen*
- *System Components*
- *Messages*



## 8 Support & Troubleshooting

If you need support for PocketMac Theme Creator, please contact us through one of the following means:

- Through our website at <http://www.PocketMac.net/support.htm>. This form will get you in touch with our engineers who will be happy to help solve whatever might be wrong. Our turnaround time for most support requests is 24-48 hours.
- Through our support documents located at <http://www.PocketMac.net>

Most support issues can be easily resolved with an email or two, but we're happy to help even on more complex issues.

## 9 Thank you

Once again, thank you for your purchase. We thank you for being a part of a community that believes in supporting innovative software solutions.