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Apple's Next MacBook feature is something no one wanted

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Apparently, Apple has finally given in. And they are going to be adding touchscreens to upcoming Macs. Likely MacBooks first, and then to their desktop Macs later on. This new report comes from Bloomberg's Mark Gurman, who is claiming that there is a new MacBook Pro with an OLED display, which might be the first touchscreen Mac, coming in 2025.

The report also notes that Apple engineers are "actively engaged in the project". This shows that Apple is actually serious about adding touchscreens to its laptops and desktops.

Now you might be wondering, what's taken Apple so long? Well for one, macOS is not touch-friendly. So it's not as simple as popping in a touchscreen onto the MacBook Pro and calling it a day. Apple has resisted adding a touchscreen to Mac because Steve Jobs believed that "touch surfaces don't want to be vertical". That's due to arm fatigue. And the few Windows and ChromeOS laptops I've used with touchscreens, I can say, I used them once and that was it. So it does seem that Jobs was correct here.

Mac users don't want a touchscreen

Since this report has come out, we've seen a lot of Mac users sounding off about not wanting a touchscreen on their Mac at all. And, I can't blame them. The only way this would be useful is if Apple made the hinge wider. So you could fold your MacBook's display back and use it as a larger tablet. But then again, that's what the iPad is for.

It's going to be interesting to see how Apple tries to sell this to consumers when it is announced in a few years. But we do have a few years to wait for that. I'm sure MacBook users will be more excited about having an OLED display rather than a touchscreen on their new MacBook.

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