

4.2. Desktop_laptop Client Install and Configure

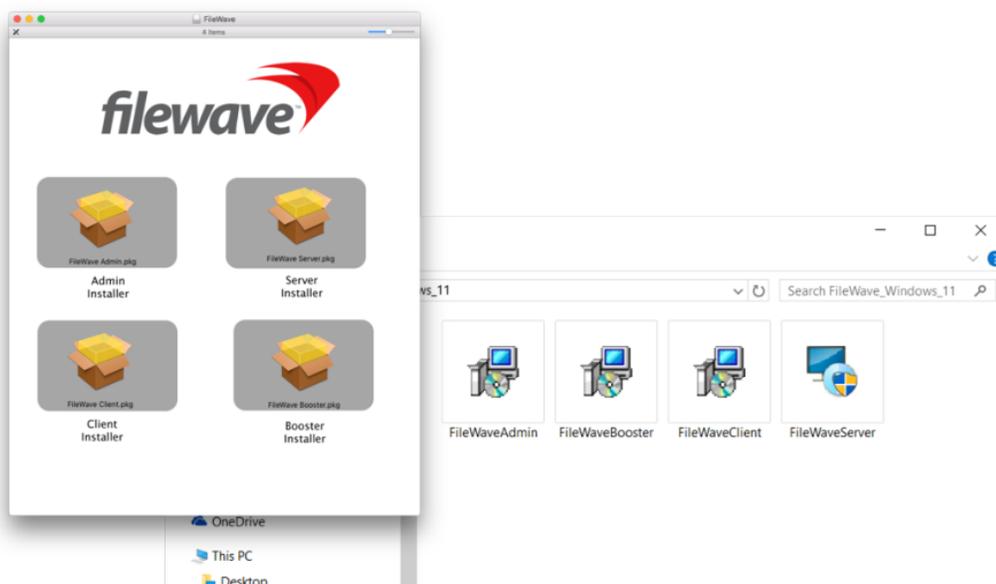
The FileWave Client runs on both OS X/macOS and Windows computers with the following requirements:

Operating Systems Supported:

- macOS 10.11 through 10.14 (binaries are 64 bit only)
- Windows 7 SP1, Windows 10, Windows Server 2008 R2, Windows Server 2012 R2 and Server 2016

Downloading the FileWave client installer

The FileWave Client installer is available as part of the FileWave bundle for the specific operating system. The most current version, as well as selected older versions, of the installer are located on the FileWave web site under the *Resources* tab: <https://kb.filewave.com/pages/viewpage.action?spaceKey=DOW&title=FileWave+Components>. For the computers mentioned under *Legacy Support*, you will need to install the FileWave v9.1.2 client, or keep any older client already installed.

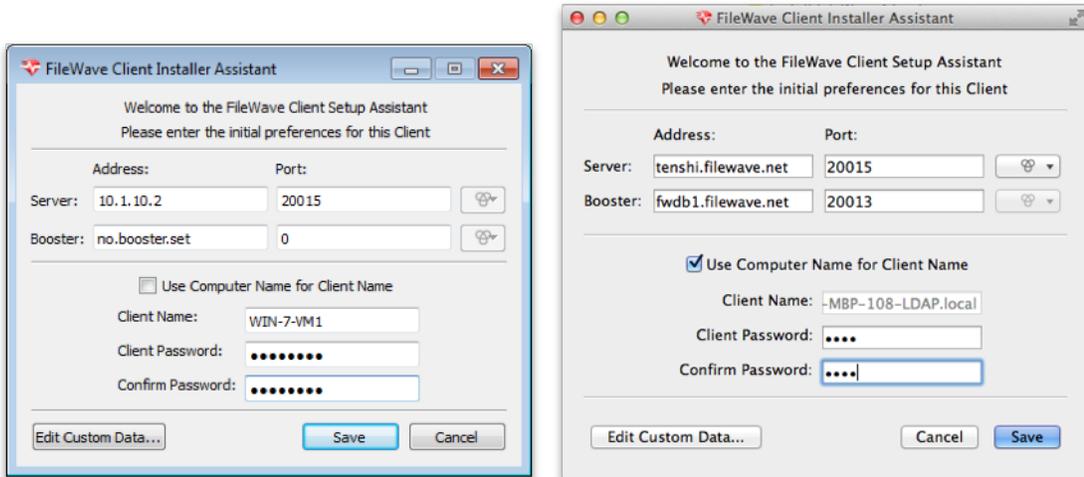


You should download all installers you will need for your deployment at the same time. They can be stored on a file server, or on a flash drive in Windows format for cross platform compatibility (OS X / macOS systems can read Windows-formatted drives without additional drivers).

Note: The installer instructions for the Linux server and Booster are also located on the same page of the web site. Server installation instructions are covered at the beginning of Chapter 2. There is no Linux client.

Installing the FileWave client

Client installers for both macOS and Windows use the same general dialogs. You will need to read and accept the license agreement, and you will be presented with a dialog window asking you for specific information to connect your client. Note: on some Windows computers, the FileWave Client Installer Assistant window is positioned directly behind the installer window, which you need to move to get to the Installer Assistant to complete the installation.



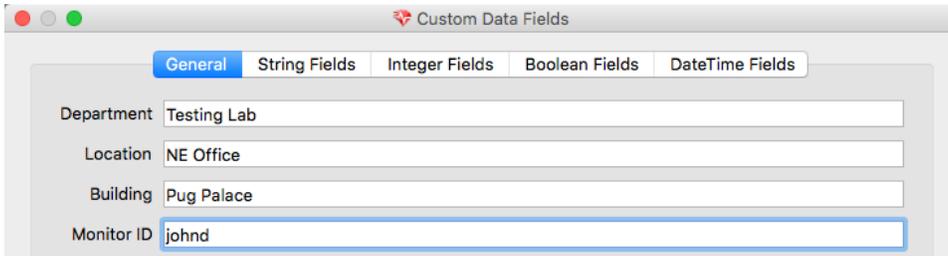
Installation settings

- **Server address / port** - Enter the IP address or FQDN of your FileWave server. Enter the TCP port number for the client to communicate with the server (default is 20015 or 20017(SSL)).
- **Booster address / port** - If your client is going to get its Filesets from a Booster, enter the IP address or FQDN of the FileWave Booster. Enter the TCP port number for the client to communicate with the Booster (recommend using 20013 or 20014(SSL) - do not use values below 1024). If you choose port 20015, the client will report directly to the FileWave server.

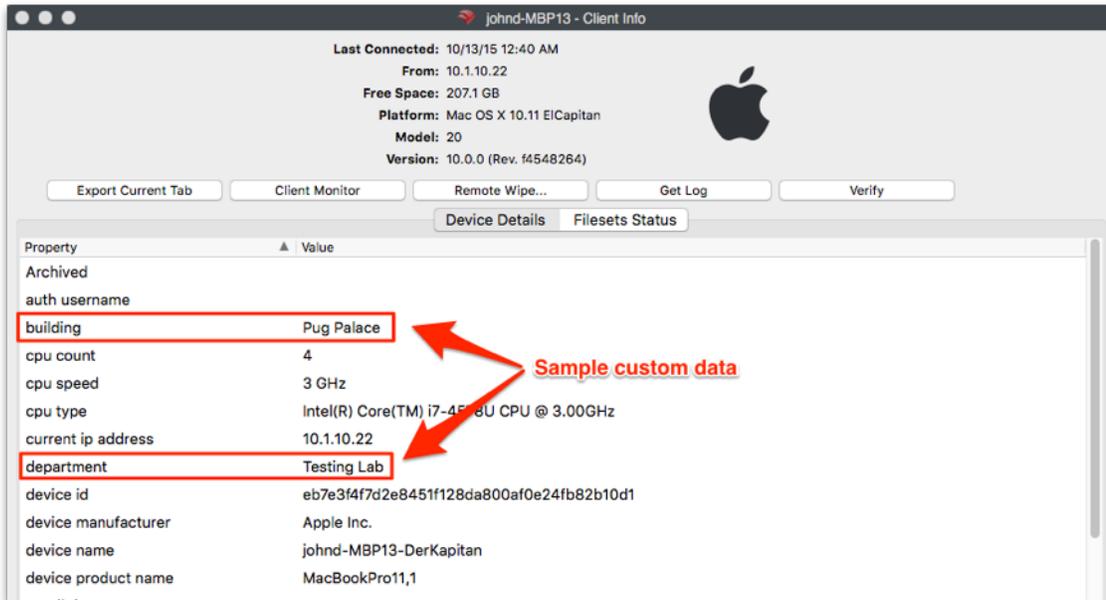
Note: More on working with FileWave Boosters in Chapter 3.

- **Use Computer Name for Client Name** - this box allows you to use the device's computer name as its FileWave client name.
- **Client Name** - enter a valid name based on any criteria you have for your deployment. It is recommended that you do not use special characters in the client name. Dashes, underscores, and slashes are ok.
- **Client Password / Confirm...** - enter a password for the FileWave Admin to connect to the client. This does not need to be an administrator password that you are using for that device locally. **Note: You must provide a password in order for the Remote Control/VNC relay to function.**

Edit Custom Data...



The custom fields consist of a series of optional Inventory data fields that can be used to provide more detailed information on any Client. This information cannot be set in the automated installer, and must be applied manually. The information provided will be displayed as part of the **Client Info** in the **Clients** pane of the main FileWave Admin window by right-clicking on any client and selecting the **Client Info...** menu item, as well as in **Inventory queries**.



Automating installation with a custom client installer

While the manual method of running the installer and entering all of the connection information works fine for small deployments, FileWave provides you with the ability to perform larger scale installations. A customized client installer is available through the FileWave website:

For macOS: <https://www.filewave.com/support/custom-client-pkg>

For Windows: <https://www.filewave.com/support/custom-client-msi>

The customized client for macOS X required for MDM/DEP support and is required to be uploaded as part of the Mobile preferences in FileWave Admin.

The form is shown on the next page.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://www.filewave.com/support/custom-pkg>. The page title is "Request Custom PKG". A warning message states: "The Custom Client is to be used to enroll new devices into FileWave. These should NOT be used to upgrade an existing FileWave Client. Doing so may break communication between the Client and FileWave server." Below this is a section for "FileWave Management Suite" with a dropdown menu for "Select Client Version...". The "Client Password" section includes a warning: "Enter your password below by replacing the default value. Please avoid using the following characters in your password : & , / , \$. FileWave is currently developing a solution to allow additional special characters." The default password is "f1lewav3". The "Server Configuration" section has two input fields: "Server address" (with placeholder "Enter server address*" and note "Enter URL or IP address (URL preferred).") and "Default server port" (with value "20015"). At the bottom, there is a checked checkbox for "PKG Options". On the right side of the page, there are social media icons for LinkedIn, Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and Email.

Many fields are required.

i Note that the default port is 20015. If you want SSL, do not set it to 20017; click the "Advanced Options" box, which will display more options (shown on the next page), one of which is Enable SSL. Therefore, if you want SSL, leave the Server port set to 20015, then click the "Enable SSL" check box which will result in the proper setting for using SSL.

Advanced Options

Advanced Options	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Booster address (*)	<input type="text" value="no.booster.set"/>	
Booster port	<input type="text" value="20013"/>	
Enable SSL	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Tickle Interval (seconds)	<input type="text" value="120"/>	
	Tickle interval is the frequency on which the client phones the server for new jobs/installations. A higher value is recommended when managing over 2000 computers (example: 240 seconds)	
Don't sync	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	If this is checked, "Sync Computer Name" will be disabled. You will need to create a static name using the options below:	

The custom installer does not ask the user for any device specific information, and can be distributed through several means:

- Apple's Device Enrollment Program (DEP) uses the custom installer to enroll institutionally purchased devices automatically with your FileWave server (See the DEP section later in this Chapter for more details).
- Add the custom installer to an image set when doing direct or network mass imaging (See the Imaging Chapter of this manual for more details).
- Use a remote installation tool, such as Apple Remote Desktop, to distribute the custom installer to large numbers of existing devices.
- Use a 3rd party imaging tool, such as DeployStudio, to build a custom client set.

Note: FileWave provides "recipes" of possible deployment workflows for the custom installer on our website.