

# Computer Technology for Seniors

## Making Computers Easy to Use Tools

### RedStampMail

<https://www.redstampmail.com>

Simple email tool that anyone can use

\$\$ Subscription Cost

### IT for Elderly

<http://www.eldy.eu>

The Eldy usability test has been made by the University of Padua, Faculty of Psychology, Center for Cognitive Science by analyzing the eye tracking of a seniors panel in the use of Eldy.

– Eldy is generally easier to use compared than the traditional Windows pc. The difficulties encountered by the elderly are due to non-recognition of some commands or icons.

– “The evaluation made clear that the difficulties found by the elderly are not simply due to an inadequate comprehension of text and images but, more interestingly, to unfamiliarity with some specific procedures that are commonly used in interface interaction.

– Overall the evaluation showed that Eldy achieved its goal and the solutions proposed to face problems related with aging are valuable.”

Download: <http://www.eldy.eu/en/software/download/>

Video: <https://youtu.be/vFceGDCcHG8>

[https://youtu.be/2KtjC20u\\_GU](https://youtu.be/2KtjC20u_GU)

### PawPawMail

<http://pawpawmail.com>

PawPawMail is a simple email system designed specifically for seniors / elderly / older adults. Without sacrificing the functions of a traditional e-mail program, it allows anyone new to computers to become comfortable with e-mail quickly and with assistance. The assistance the program offers is an interface for a caregiver into the older adults email program either directly or remotely online from the assistant's computer. In any case, this email program's entire interface is built around the idea of ease of use. It's an unimimidating interface for the technophobe, with the ability for a helper to assist from anywhere with the users email issues. 1-404-635-6245

10 day free trial <https://pawpawmail.com/pmapp/user/signup?trial=1>

\$\$ Subscription: \$8.00 an month or Yearly \$65.00 : <http://pawpawmail.com/signup.html?trial=1>

Interactive simulation of PawPaeMail's email process: <http://pawpawmail.com/tour.html>

<https://pawpawmail.com/img/pdf/ConfiguringComputersForSeniors-0.9.5.pdf>

Video: <https://youtu.be/UdTXTRAAj7Y>

### PointerWare

<http://www.pointerware.com>

PointerWare is software that makes computers easy-to-use for seniors. No upfront cost, it is subscription based software on a monthly fee of \$6.49 per user. You can configure PointerWare to start immediately when the computer is turned on, hiding the complexity of Windows with an elegantly simple interface. Because PointerWare is designed with first-time computer users in mind, each client gets their own email address that provides family and friends a simple way to add pictures or contact information to the user's visual address book. To add to this remarkable software's ease of processing it also offers users a two click way to have face-to-face time with children, grandchildren, caregivers and friends.

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There are free trials available for 1 month. <http://pointerware.com/c/registerUserContacts/assistTrialStd>

Video Demo of the software (SoftShell) <https://vimeo.com/5790512>

Testimonials: <http://www.pointerware.com/c/pages/testimonials>

## Touch & Connect

<https://seeyoulink.com>

Touch & Connect is designed to connect unconnected elderly people to the world again. Touch and Connect believes that everybody person young and old should benefit from video calling, email, web search and others. For the majority of elderly people, due to the current complexity of both the computer and the Internet that seems to a senior an insurmountable. The easy to understand icons (on screen pictures) called SeeYouLinks changes all of that. From the point of view of the older adult, even those who never used a computer before, have low vision or mild dementia, SeeYouLink screen pictures it is as simple as flicking on a light and touching the screen.

Video: <https://seeyoulink.com?wvideo=s4ula46p3h>

Video: <https://seeyoulink.com?wvideo=nz0aerrily>

## Dolphin Guide

<https://yourdolphin.com/guide>

Dolphin Guide is a simple solution for those with visual issues or technophobe seniors. Guide's unique step-by-step menus are presented in high contrast colors with friendly out loud voices that read options every step of the way. It gives you menus such as send emails, browse the web, write letters, download and read books, newspapers, and can even be designed to read your mail aloud when the system is accompanied with a scanner. In short, Guide strips all the techno scary stuff and presents simple menus that are clutter and jargon free! 1-866-797-5921

## SeniorNet

<http://www.seniornet.org/>

SeniorNet's mission is to provide older adults education for and access to computer technologies to enhance their lives and enable them to share their knowledge and wisdom. Find out how you can become a part of SeniorNet and start enjoying the benefits of membership today!

Phone: 239-275-2202

See Unbelievable Blog Page on every too a senior would want to know

<http://seniornet.org/blog/page/8/>

## GreatCall

<https://www.greatcall.com/>

(Systems and Services) GreatCall is the leader in connected health for active aging. With health and safety solutions for older adults and their family caregivers, GreatCall's innovative suite of easy-to-use mobile products and award-winning approach to customer care helps aging consumers live more independent lives. Products and services include Jitterbug Flip and Jitterbug Smart, the Lively Mobile medical alert device, Lively Wearable, Healthsense, Dashboard and HealthNotes, plus health, safety and medical apps Urgent Care, GreatCall Link, MedCoach and 5Star.

## MAC/Apple

**A MacBook in Simple Finder mode** with a senior along with remote assistance app (Join.Me, Zoom, etc.) so that I an expert can assist and train the user or even the caregivers as needed.

How to quickly enable OS X Finder's Simple Finder mode

<https://www.amsys.co.uk/how-to-quickly-enable-os-x-finders-simple-finder-mode/>

9 Simple Finder Tricks to Improve Mac OS X

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<http://osxdaily.com/2013/03/01/9-simple-tricks-improve-finder-mac-os-x/>

How to set up a Simple Finder in Mac® OS X™ - YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xnv7tPLRdnA>

## WowComputer

<https://www.mywowcomputer.com>

Some companies have specifically adapted computers for easier use by seniors. WOW Computers design easy to use computer systems for seniors. The computers use simplified Touch Screen Monitors with easy choose icon (picture) menus. Base Price \$1099.00 877-734-9224

<https://youtu.be/qGAskKuo42Q>

## YouCanDoltComputers

<http://youcandoitcomputers.com/>

All **Easy Senior Computers**™ feature our unique Simple Internet, Email, Easy Write Letters, Popular Online Games, and Exclusive One Touch Photo Album. One year warranty standard. Lifetime customer service assistance.

\$\$ Prices ranging from \$879.00 to 1379.00

## A PLUS SENIOR COMPUTER

<https://www.apluseniorcomputer.com/touch%20screen.htm>

Simple, Easy To Use Computers For Seniors

Price comparisons of computers and already loaded Senior Easy software tools of A Plus Computer, WOW Computer, Telikin, and My Gait.

Desktops, Laptops And Touch-Screen Computers-Setup And Ready To Go

Phone: 1-800-876-4226

## Telikin Easy to Use Touchscreen Computers for Seniors

Makes touchscreens easy for Seniors to use computers

<https://youtu.be/1ECWqEmgZcw>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NWz-QuAhall>

## EasyMail (Canada ..usable in USA not known???)

Demo: <https://youtu.be/yswzD7K7rdQ>

How to use: <https://youtu.be/ubLth1dLXNY>

## How To Become Tech Savvy Seniors In 10 Days (Article)

<http://www.aginginplace.org/how-to-become-tech-savvy-for-seniors-in-10-days/>

## Other Learning Opportunities

### Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

<https://olli.umn.edu/osher-lifelong-learning-institute/course-guide>

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## Oasis Life Long Learning

<https://www.oasisnet.org/>

Oasis Technology Blog

<https://www.oasisnet.org/National-Programs/Connections-Technology/Blog>

## Information and other sources of technology information

### Savvy Senior

<http://www.savvysenior.org/>

### Savvy Senior Resources

<http://www.savvysenior.org/seniorresources.htm#ASEC>

A nationally syndicated information column devoted to older adults and the families who support them. Researched and written by senior advocate, author and NBC Today show contributor Jim Miller, Savvy Senior is published in more than 400 newspapers and magazines nationwide.

## Computer and Internet

### AARP Computers and Technology

<https://search.aarp.org/gss/everywhere?q=computers%20for%20seniors>

### CyberSeniors.org

[www.cyberseniors.org](http://www.cyberseniors.org)

### EnableMart

[www.enablemart.com](http://www.enablemart.com)

### Generations Online

[www.generationsonline.com](http://www.generationsonline.com)

### Learn The Net

[www.learnthenet.com](http://www.learnthenet.com)

### Microsoft Accessibility

[www.microsoft.com/enable](http://www.microsoft.com/enable)

### SeniorNet

[www.seniornet.org](http://www.seniornet.org)

### TechBoomers

[www.techboomers.com](http://www.techboomers.com)

### WebEyes

[www.webeyes.us](http://www.webeyes.us)