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Pickpocket

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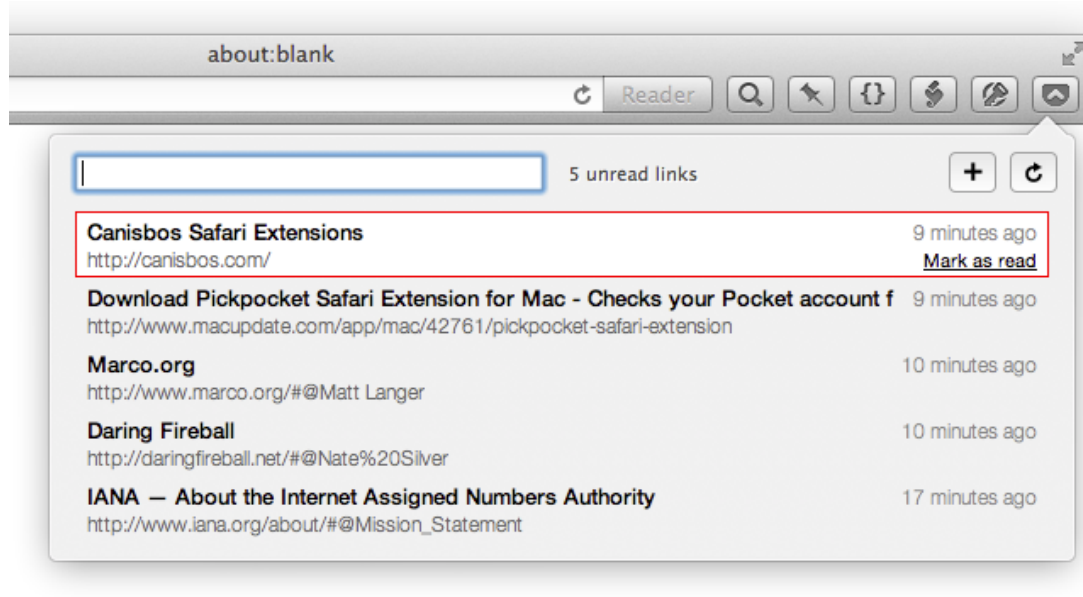
Requires Safari 5.1 or higher.

Pickpocket lets you access, search, and open links from your [Pocket](#) (formerly Read It Later)

account without needing to visit the site.

The extension has two basic modes of operation; I'll call them *list mode* and *tabs mode*.

In **list mode**, which is the default, clicking Pickpocket's toolbar button will open a popover containing a list of your Pocket links. Initially, the popover will list all of your unread—or, more accurately, *unarchived*—links.

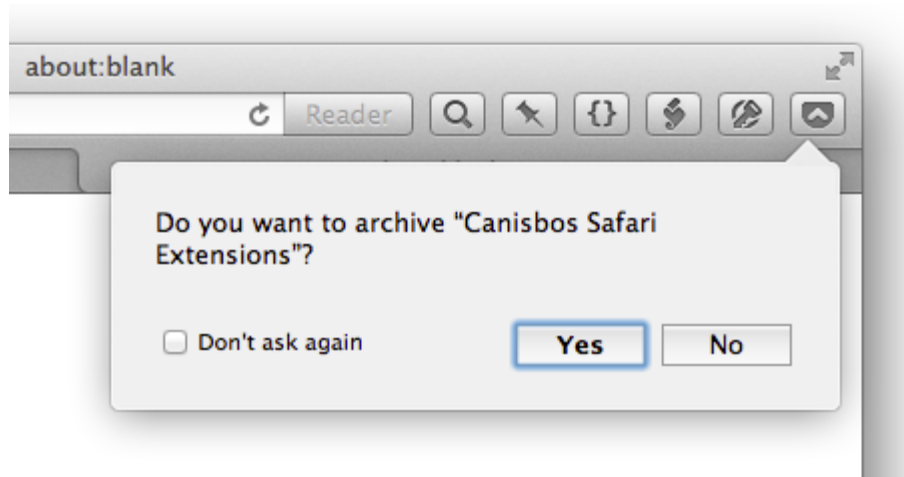


The list-mode popover showing unread links

If you type something in the search bar at the top of the popover, Pickpocket will list all the links—read and unread—that contain what you typed in their titles, tags, or URLs. The search feature works just like that of [Moofmarks](#), so please read that page for more details about search.

In **tabs mode**, when you click the toolbar button, Pickpocket will simply open all of your unread links in new tabs. (If you have more than 10 unread links, the extension will ask you to confirm opening them.)

In either mode, when you close a (formerly) unread link's tab, Pickpocket will ask you whether you want to archive the link. If you say yes, it'll tell Pocket to mark the link as read, which moves the link from your queue to your archive. Optionally, you can set Pickpocket to always archive (or not archive) closed links without asking.



The link archive-on-close confirmation dialog

How to use

After installing Pickpocket, click its toolbar button, and you will be prompted for your Pocket username and password. Enter them, and Pickpocket will immediately fetch your Pocket links and display any unopened ones in list mode. Naturally, you only need to enter your login info once.

Using list mode

To open a link in list mode, either click it, or use the up/down arrow keys to select it and then press Enter. The link will open in a new tab, unless the current tab is empty.

If you hold down the Shift key while clicking a link or pressing Enter, Pickpocket will open the link in a background tab.

To search your links (including archived ones), type something in the search bar at the top of the popover.

To open *all* unread links at once, press Command-Enter. This has the same effect as clicking the toolbar button in tabs mode.

To archive a link without opening it, either click the **Mark as read** link to the right of its URL, or press Command-Delete while the link is selected.

Using tabs mode

To switch to tabs mode, open Safari's preferences, select the Extensions tab, and select Pickpocket. You'll see a popup menu labeled "When I click the toolbar button". Set this to **Open unread links in tabs**.

Click the toolbar button to open your unread Pocket links in tabs. If you have more than 10

unread links, Pickpocket will prompt for confirmation before opening them. By default, Pickpocket will open the links in the current window, but there is an option in the settings to open them in a new window instead.

Using the action menu

The action menu lets you choose the operation mode each time you click the toolbar button, instead of always opening the popover or always opening unread links in tabs. To enable the action menu, go into Pickpocket's settings and set the popup menu labeled "When I click the toolbar button" to **Show the action menu**.

Using the keyboard shortcut

There is a keyboard shortcut that does the same thing as clicking the toolbar button. The shortcut is **Command-Shift-P**. Please note that you still need to have the toolbar button visible in order for Pickpocket to work.

Controlling link archival

By default, when you open an unread link (in either mode) and then close its tab or navigate to a different page in the same tab, Pickpocket will ask whether to archive the link. If you'd rather not be asked, you can set Pickpocket to always archive or never archive links when you close them. In Pickpocket's settings, set the popup menu labeled "Archive link on close or navigate" to the desired option.

Note: This setting does not affect archiving links directly in the popover. Such links are always archived without prompting.

Notes

In popover mode, Pickpocket will display at most 500 links. If you have more than that, it will only display your newest 500. The extension must download all of your links (including archived ones) at least once, and this limitation exists to prevent it from choking on too many links.

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