

## My history with Apple ...

1988	Macintosh SE	ca. \$4,500	\$4,500
1992	Macintosh II cx	ca. \$5,000	\$9,500
1998	Quadra 9600, 3 monitors	ca. \$15,000	\$24,500
	G3 desktop, AV monitor	ca. \$5,000	\$29,500
start of commercial digital photography huge \$150,000 investment in digital technology including \$30,000 of computer gear (with non-Apple peripherals)			
2001	Powermac G4	\$6,350	\$35,850
2002	Powerbook G4 Titanium	\$5,595	\$41,445
2003	iBook	\$2,995	\$44,440
2006	Powerbook G4 Aluminium	\$3,595	\$47,925
2008	Apple Macbook Pro 15"	\$4,850	\$52,775
2008	Apple 30" Cinema Display	\$2,635	\$55,410
2009	MacBook Air 64gb SSM (2 <sup>nd</sup> hand)	\$2,295	\$58,705
2009	Apple 23" Cinema Display	\$1,065	\$59,770
2009	MacBook Pro 15"	\$3,750	\$62,520
2009	MacBook Pro 17"	\$4,079	\$66,599
2012	MacBook Pro 17"	\$3,508	\$70,107
2018	MacBook 12" (2015, refurbished)	\$1,495	\$71,602
2019	MacBook Pro 13" (for my wife)	\$2,996	\$74,598
2020	MacBook Pro 15" (2015 - 2 <sup>nd</sup> hand)	\$2,095	\$76,693
this now is the machine to replace my 2012 MBP 17" since Apple continue declining to provide a replacement			
2021	MacBook 12" (2017, refurbished)	\$1,695	\$78,388

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35 years (2023) 17 computers ... average per computer \$ 4,611

The 2012 MBPro17" # C02GX02JDW48 is the only computer I ever had that broke down to the point it needed motherboard replacement ... in Jan. 2017 for the 3<sup>rd</sup> time; it was out of warranty but fixed by Apple (no charge). In Nov. 2018 it broke down for the fourth time, with the same problem as before ... (faulty video card).

When my 2012 MacBook Pro 17" was down in 2017, I was able to work on the 2009 MB Pro17", but that doesn't work anymore either; now I bought a 2<sup>nd</sup> hand 15" to replace the 17" and I use my little MacBook.

My 2 Powerbook G4 (2002, 2006) are still in use (as music systems) ... but when I had to go back to one of them to retrieve an old email, the computer was working perfectly.

I am now retired, not doing commercial photography anymore; but I still do personal digital photography & video ... I had hoped I would have a MBPro in my retirement.

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