

# PDF Services

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One of the handiest things in OS X is the ability to print as a PDF file instead of printing out to printer. Once you gain an appreciation for this ability, it is time to look into PDF Services. Wouldn't it be handy if when you find a web page on how to correct red eye, if you could place this information into your Photography folder? Or if you find a great recipe page for lobster thermador, you could place it in your Recipes folder.

If you like this idea, locate the Photograph and Recipe folders in your Documents folder, or create them. Alias them (Command + L), Fig. 1.

Now go to your user folder (Users | username) and scroll down to theLibrary and find the PDF Services folder. If there isn't one, make one. Drop your alias folders here, Fig. 2. There may already be items in your PDF Services folder for other purposes. For example, if there is a Mail alias in the folder, it lets you attach the PDF to a new blank email, ready to send. You might want to alias Mail for this purpose.



Fig. 1. Aliases of folders

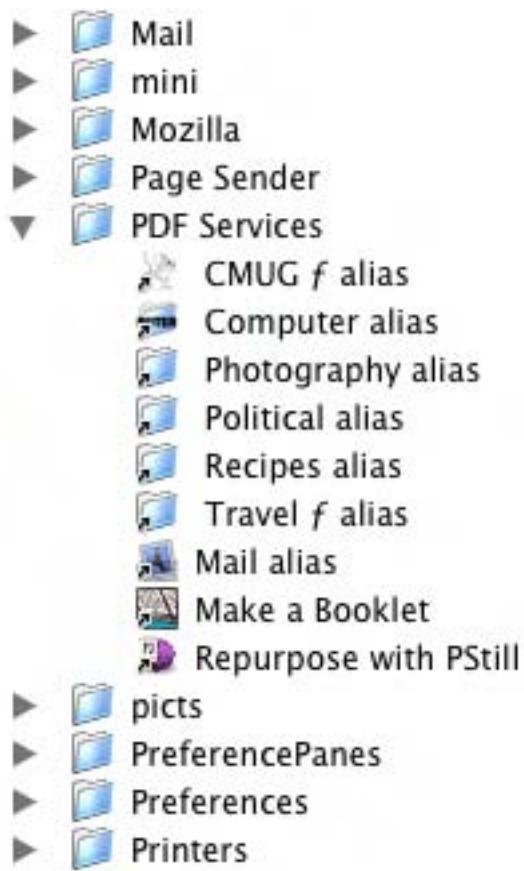


Fig. 2. Placed in PDF Services folder

Now go to a web page with a recipe you want located on it. Click Print (Command + P). At the bottom of the dialog, click and hold on the PDF icon and you see a list of the folder aliases you just made. Select one

and a PDF of that page appears in the correct folder within your Documents folder, Fig. 3.

Keep adding folders to PDF Services folder as needed.

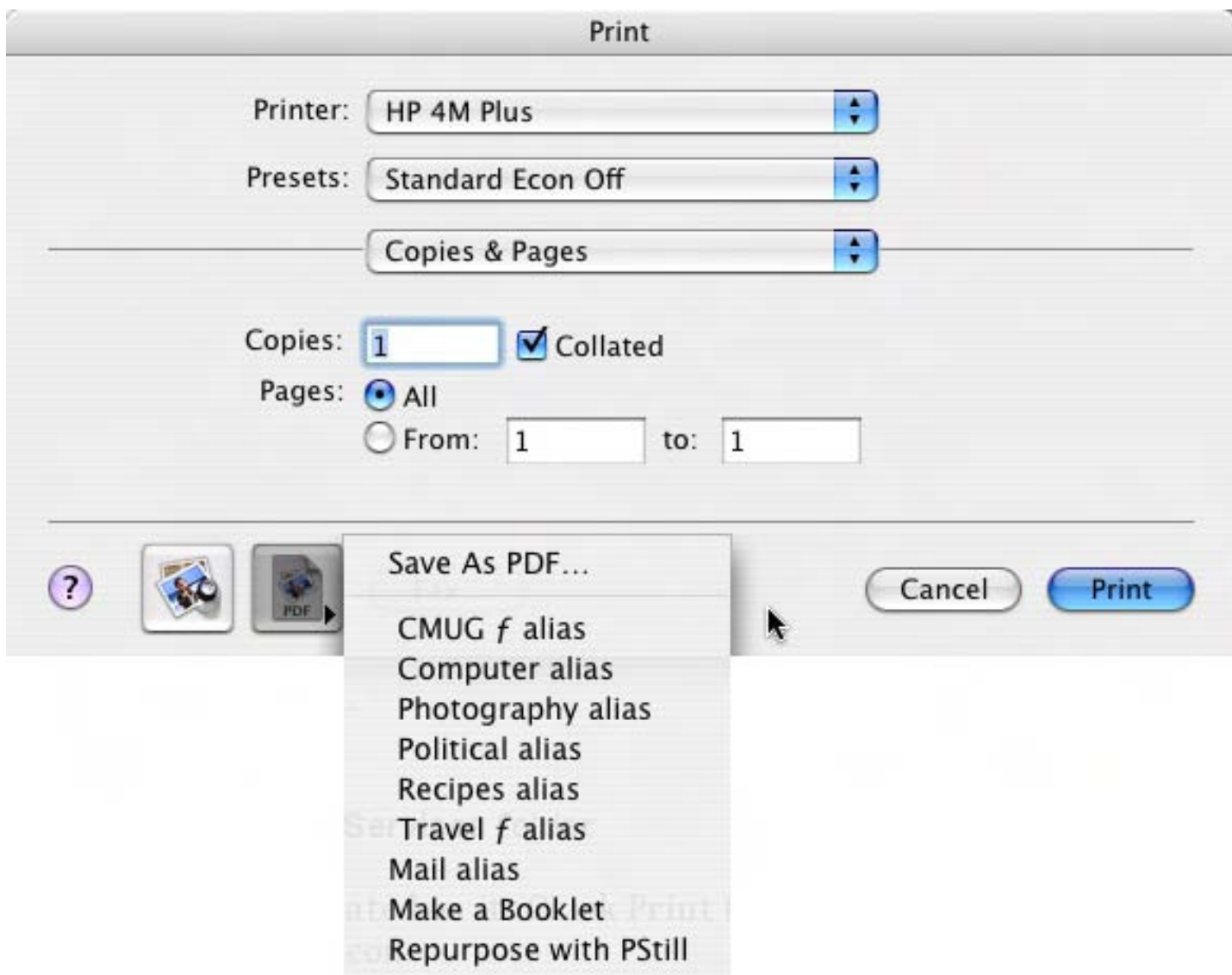


Fig. 3. Print PDF