

Function Keys

Help		F1
Cut / Copy / Paste		F2
Show/hide Brushes panel		F5
Show/hide Color panel		F6
Show/hide Layers panel		F7
Create new symbol		F8
Show/hide Info panel	⌘	F8
Show/hide Gradient panel	⌘	F9
Show/hide Stroke panel	⌘	F10
Show/hide Attributes panel	⌘	F11
Revert		F12
Show/hide Graphic Styles panel	↑	F5
Show/hide Appearance panel	↑	F6
Show/hide Align panel	↑	F7
Show/hide Transform panel	↑	F8
Show/hide Pathfinder panel	↑ ⌘	F9
Show/hide Transparency panel	↑ ⌘	F10
Show/hide Symbols panel	↑ ⌘	F11
Show/hide perspective grid	⌘ ↑	I



Selecting Tools

Artboard tool	↑	O
Selection tool		V
Direct Selection tool		A
Magic Wand tool		Y
Lasso tool		Q
Pen tool		P
Blob Brush tool	↑	B
Add Anchor Point tool		
Delete Anchor Point tool		=
Convert Anchor Point tool	↑	C
Type tool		T
Line Segment tool		\
Rectangle tool		M
Ellipse tool		L
Paintbrush tool		B
Pencil tool		N
Rotate tool		R
Reflect tool		O
Scale tool		S
Warp tool	↑	R
Width tool	↑	W
Free Transform tool		E
Shape Builder tool	↑	M
Perspective Grid tool	↑	P
Perspective Selection tool	↑	V
Symbol Sprayer tool	↑	S
Column Graph tool		J
Mesh tool		U
Gradient tool		G
Eyedropper tool		I
Blend tool		W
Live Paint Bucket tool		K
Live Paint Selection tool	↑	L

Slice tool	↑	K
Eraser tool	↑	E
Scissors tool		C
Hand tool		H
Zoom tool		Z
Switch to Smooth tool while using Blob Brush tool		↵

Viewing Artwork

Toggle between screen modes: Normal Screen Mode, Full Screen Mode with Menu Bar, Full Screen Mode		F
Switch to Hand tool (when not in text-edit mode)		SPACE
Switch to Zoom tool in magnify mode	⌘	SPACE
Switch to Zoom tool in reduce mode	⌘ ↵	SPACE
Hide unselected artwork	⌘ ↵ ↑	3
Show/Hide artboards	⌘ ↑	H
Show/Hide artboard rulers	⌘ ↵	R
View all artboards in window	⌘ ↵	0
Paste in place on the active artboard	⌘ ↑	V
Exit Artboard tool mode		ESC
Navigate to next document	⌘	F6
Navigate to previous document	⌘ ↑	F6
Navigate to next document group	⌘ ↵	F6
Navigate to previous document group	⌘ ↵ ↑	F6
Exit Full Screen mode		ESC

Drawing in perspective

Perspective Grid Tool	↑	P
Perspective Selection Tool	↑	V
Perspective Grid	⌘ ↑	I

TOOL AND THEN PRESS 1 ... 4

Repeat transforming objects in perspective	⌘	D
Switching between drawing modes	↑	D

Keys for selecting

Switch to last-used selection tool (Selection tool, Direct Selection tool, or Group Selection tool)	⌘	
Switch between Direct Selection tool and Group Selection tool	↵	
Change pointer to cross hair for Lasso tool		CAPS LOCK
Select artwork in active artboard	⌘ ↵	A
Create crop marks around selected object	↵	C 0

Moving Selection

Move selection in user-defined increments		ARROW KEYS
Move selection in 10x user-defined increments	↑	ARROW KEYS
Lock all deselected artwork	⌘ ↵ ↑	2
Constrain movement to 45° angle (except when using Reflect tool)		HOLD DOWN SHIFT



Painting Objects

Toggle between fill and stroke	X
Set fill and stroke to default	D
Swap fill and stroke	⇧ X
Select gradient fill mode	>
Select color fill mode	<
Select no stroke/fill mode	/

Copy from image or from element
SHIFT EYEDROPPER TOOL

Open Mosaic options for selected raster object

Decrease Bristle brush size / Increase Bristle brush size

Set Bristle brush paint opacity value to 10%, 20% etc. 0 increases to 100%

Working with Text

Move one character right or left	→
Move up or down one line	↑
Move one word right or left	⌘ →
Move up or down one paragraph	⌘ ↑
Select one word right or left	⇧ ⌘ →
Select one paragraph before or after	⇧ ⌘ →
Align paragraph left, right, or center	⌘ ⇧ L, R, C
Justify paragraph	⌘ ⇧ J
Insert soft return	⇧ ↵
Highlight kerning	⌘ ⇧ K
Reset horizontal scale to 100%	⌘ ⇧ X
Increase type size / decrease type size	⌘ ⇧ >
Increase or decrease leading (for horizontal text, vor vertical text use Option+→/←)	⇧ ↑
Reset tracking/kerning to 0	⌘ ⇧ Q
Increase or decrease kerning and tracking (for horizontal text, vor vertical text use Option+↑/↓)	⇧ →
Increase or decrease kerning and tracking by five times(for horizontal text, vor vertical text use ⌘+Option+↑/↓)	⌘ ⇧ →
Increase or decrease baseline shift (for horizontal text, vor vertical text use Option+Shift+→/←)	⇧ ⇧ ↑
Switch between Type and Vertical Type, Area Type and Vertical Area Type, and Path Type and Vertical Path Type tools	⇧
Switch between Area Type and Path Type, Vertical Area Type and Vertical Path Type tools	⇧

Panel Shortcuts

Increase/decrease the selected value by a small increment	↑
Increase/decreases the selected value by a large increment	⇧ ↑
Highlight the font name field in the Character panel	⌘ ⇧ F
Apply a value and keep focus in edit field	⇧ ↵
Apply a value and copy object	⇧ ⇧ ↵
Apply a value and scale option proportionately for width or height	⌘ ⇧ ↵

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