

Printing from the Macintosh

Xitron Navigator Technical Note

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There are many versions of Apple LaserWriter that have been produced over the years. Some work better than others and some have quirks that make them less desirable when driving a high-end RIP like the Navigator RIP.

Experience has shown that the most predictable LaserWriter versions for use with Navigator RIP 5.3 and higher are LaserWriter 8.6.1, LaserWriter 8.7 and higher. The most stable LaserWriter for earlier versions of the Navigator RIP is 8.5.1. These LaserWriter versions can be found on Apple's website at www.apple.com.

Another option on the Macintosh is to use the AdobePS laserprinter driver. This can be located at www.adobe.com. It tends to produce very clean PostScript, but it's pagesetups are a bit different than what someone who normally uses Apple's LaserWriters may be accustomed to.