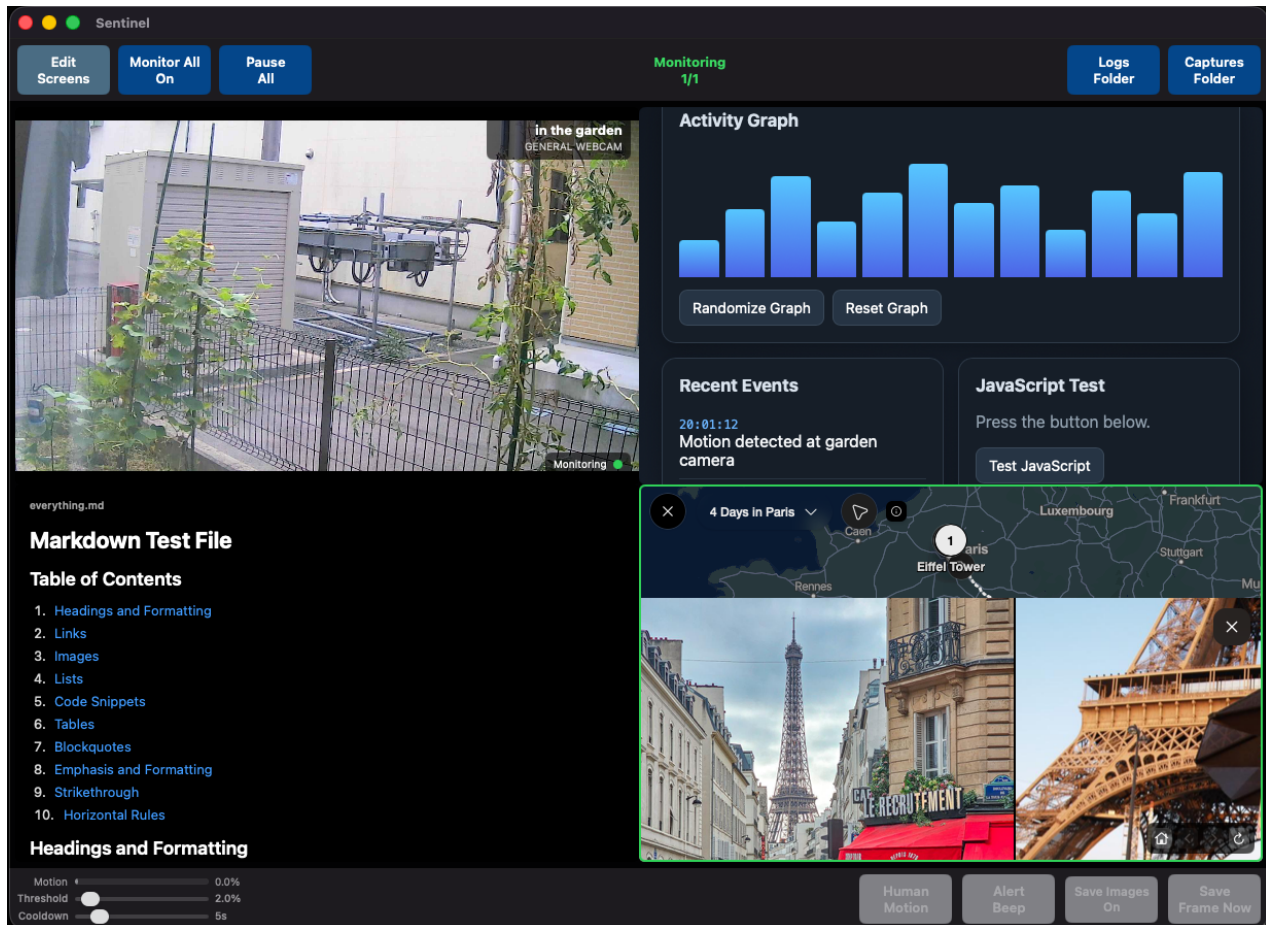


Sentinel - Quick Start Guide

Welcome to Sentinel



Sentinel helps you see more without demanding more of your attention.

Sentinel is a flexible monitoring dashboard that helps you keep an eye on the things that matter without demanding your constant attention.

Unlike traditional camera software, Sentinel isn't limited to displaying cameras.

Each Screen can display a wide range of content, including cameras, webpages, images, PDFs, Markdown documents, HTML pages, text, or even a single color.

You can build a dashboard that suits the way you work.

Sentinel can be used for security, but it is equally useful for monitoring equipment, dashboards, webpages, webcams, and other live information.

Whether you're a hobbyist, teacher, maker, workshop owner, or small business, Sentinel adapts to your needs.

You can start with a single camera and expand your layout whenever you want.

Understanding Layouts > Screens > Sources

Layouts

A layout contains one or more screens in the Sentinel app.

Screen

A screen is simply an area of the Sentinel window a source is displayed.

Source

Each Screen displays a Source.

A Source can be a camera, webpage, image, PDF, Markdown document, HTML page, text, or a single color.

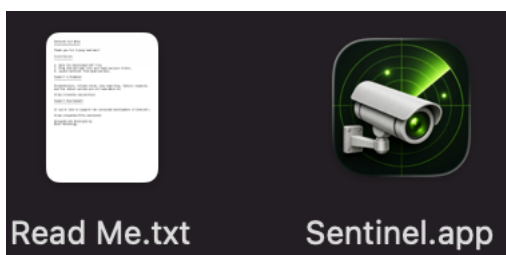
For example, one source might monitor a camera on one Screen, while another source is displaying a webpage, documentation, another camera, or a live webcam from somewhere else in the world on another.

You don't have to use all of these features. Sentinel works just as well with a single Screen and a single camera.

Installation

Download the latest version of Sentinel from the Mind Technology website.

Unzip the downloaded archive and drag the **Sentinel.app** into your Applications folder.



Launch Sentinel by opening the application from Applications or Launchpad.

Updating Sentinel is just as simple. Download the latest version and replace your existing Sentinel.app. Your settings and workspace are normally preserved.

First Launch

When Sentinel starts for the first time, you'll see four (check this) unassigned Screens.

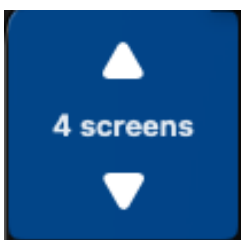
Cameras aren't connected automatically because every Sentinel user's hardware and requirements are different.

To begin, choose **Edit Screens**. in the top left of the main window; this is Sentinel's main configuration area.

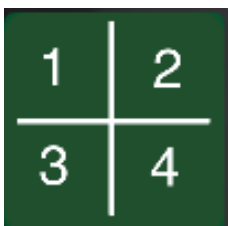


From here you can:

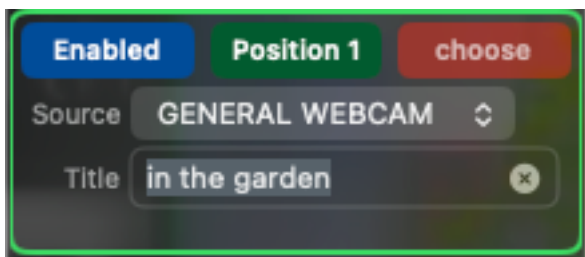
Choose the Layout : How many screens are displayed.



Choose how multiple screens are displayed.



Assign a Source and position to each Screen.



The first time you assign a camera, macOS will ask for permission to access your camera.

Monitoring Cameras

After assigning one or more cameras, you can either use Sentinel as a live preview system or enable monitoring for each camera individually..

To begin monitoring, in the bottom toolbar:

1. Turn **Monitor** on.
2. Choose a monitoring mode.
3. Select an **Alert Type**.
4. Enable **Save Images** if required.



In the top toolbar:
Press **Monitor All**.



By pressing the first large button on the bottom toolbar, each monitored camera can be set to:

- Human Movement
- Any Movement
- Or just turn Off monitoring



If monitoring is turned off, the camera continues to preview normally.

Camera monitoring can be stopped at any time, two methods:

- press Monitor All Off in the top toolbar,
- disable monitoring for an individual camera in the bottom toolbar.

Alerts and Saved Images

When Sentinel detects movement, it can respond in several different ways depending on your settings.

You can choose to:

- Play a system sound or speak
- Save images of the event.

If an image is captured a small snapshot in the monitoring display appear briefly.

If **Save Images** is enabled, Sentinel captures a short sequence of images whenever an event is detected.



Capture Folders

These images are stored in the **Captures** folder. The **Captures** button on the top toolbar (far right) opens this folder directly.

Sentinel also keeps diagnostic information in the **Logs** folder. The **Logs** button in the top toolbar provides quick access whenever you need to investigate a problem.



More

Check out the menu for setting always on top, different sounds, and volumes and so on.

Support

<https://mindtn.com/sentinel/support>

Full Manual

coming soon