

Creator's Best Friend for FCPX

YouTube has a great feature called Video Chapters that allows creators to break up their videos into named chapters:

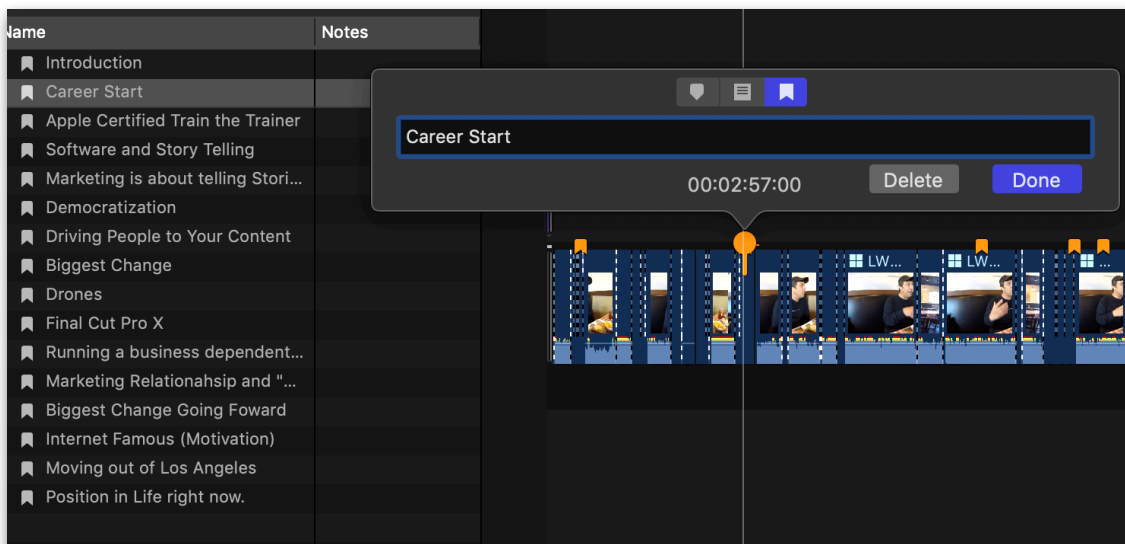
<https://support.google.com/youtube/answer/9884579>

Chapters can even be added to videos you've already uploaded. [Here's an example](#) where Video Chapters were recently added to an already published video.

The easiest way to get these chapters is to add orange chapter markers to your Final Cut Pro X project, then use Creator's Best Friend to make a list of timestamps and chapter titles for you.

Three easy steps

1. In **Final Cut Pro**, add chapter markers to clips:
 - In the project, position the playhead to where you want to add the marker
 - Choose the **Mark** menu and from the **Markers** submenu select **Add Marker and Modify** (or press M, then M again)
 - Name the marker, click the **Chapter** button, then click **Done**



- You can edit and move makers after they've been added — see <https://support.apple.com/guide/final-cut-pro/edit-and-move-markers-ver39727e41> for details.
2. Run **Creator's Best Friend** and drag the project from Final Cut Pro and drop it onto the Creator's Best Friend window.
Or, if you are running Final Cut Pro on a different Mac, select the project and choose **File > Export XML...** to save an XML file. Then open this XML file in Creator's Best Friend by clicking the **Open XML...** button.

The list of timestamps and chapter titles are shown in the window. Any spelling mistakes are highlighted and can be corrected, and any text can be edited. Links to web pages are shown as blue clickable hyperlinks.

3. Click the **Copy to Clipboard** button to copy the text to your clipboard. Then paste the list into the Description of your YouTube video.

Video details

[Basic](#) [More options](#)

Title (required) ⓘ
LWPG with Steve Martin

Description ⓘ
The latest in our lunch series is with Steve Martin of Ripple Training fame. Recorded at the Final Cut Pro X Creative Summit at the end of October 2016.

0:00 Start
0:30 Introduction
2:57 Career Start
6:30 Apple Certified Train the Trainer
7:54 Software and Story Telling
8:20 Marketing is about telling Stories
13:06 Democratization
15:00 Driving People to Your Content
15:51 Biggest Change
18:21 Drones
21:31 Final Cut Pro X
32:07 Running a business dependent on a larger company (future of training)
34:40 Marketing Relationship and "YouTility"
38:13 Biggest Change Going Forward
40:27 Internet Famous (Motivation)
45:26 Moving out of Los Angeles
47:17 Position in Life right now.

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Three conditions

There are three conditions required for Video Chapters:

1. The first timestamp should start at 0:00. If you've got a chapter marker within the first 10 seconds, Creator's Best Friend will use that for 0:00. If not, it will add a 0:00 timestamp called Start.
2. The video chapters should be at least 10 seconds long. Creator's Best Friend will ignore a chapter marker if it's closer than 10 seconds from the previous chapter marker.
3. There should be at least 3 chapters, and Creator's Best Friend checks this for you.