Elsewhere: test build

This is a test build. Don't use it for anything private.

This build has an unresolved resource leak: test it only while Lee is on the phone with you, for at most 30 minutes from your first Connect and at most six Connect presses in all, including setup and any that fail. Press Disconnect within 10 minutes of each Connect; Lee keeps the time. Before every Connect press, the first one too, double-click "Elsewhere Check" and read both numbers to Lee. Press Connect only if it says "Fine to continue" (it says "Stop testing and tell Lee" from 140 up, and whenever its limit is under 256 or could not be read); if it says anything else, or no window opens, stop there and tell Lee. Stop testing the first time a Connect fails or the app shows "Sites need attention" or any other warning. Stop earlier if Lee asks. To finish, press Disconnect, wait until the app says "Disconnected", then open an ordinary website in Chrome or Brave and check that it loads, and tell Lee what you see. Don't finish by quitting the app: it can quit and keep Elsewhere connected. If websites still don't load a minute after Disconnect, use the rescue step below.

What to use it for, and nothing else: when you choose sites, choose exactly two, ifconfig.co and ipinfo.io, and the country United States. While connected, Chrome or Brave is used only for this: about every 2 minutes, when Lee says "now", type https://ifconfig.co/json in the address bar and press Return, wait until the page shows, then type https://ipinfo.io/json and press Return, and wait until it shows. That is at most five times each per connection. Don't open anything else on those two sites, and don't browse anything else until you have pressed Disconnect.

Before installing or reinstalling: Reinstalling after a rescue installs Elsewhere's app files again. If Elsewhere shows "Restart this Mac, then open your invitation once more.", or the Installer asks you to restart, restart it once, then open your invitation once more; that restart is fine.

To install: open the Elsewhere installer Lee gives you and follow its steps. If setup keeps refusing after a reinstall, stop and call Lee. Don't keep reinstalling or delete Elsewhere's files.

Three boxes macOS shows the first time, in this order. None asks for a password.

1. After the Installer says "The installation was successful", macOS asks whether Installer may access files in your Downloads folder. Press Allow. It is macOS asking about the Installer, for that one folder, and the install has already finished. If you press Don't Allow, nothing is granted.
2. When you open your invitation, Elsewhere may say it could not confirm its background item. Open System Settings, General, Login Items & Extensions, turn on the switch next to Elsewhere, then open your invitation again. The switch lets Elsewhere run in the background, and you can turn it off in the same place. If you leave it off, setup does not finish. If Elsewhere then says "Restart this Mac, then open your invitation once more.", do that; this restart is fine.
3. The first time you open Elsewhere Check, macOS says it is an app downloaded from the Internet and asks if you are sure. Press Open. It is the Check you saved from Elsewhere's package. If you don't press Open, Check shows no window, so don't press Connect: stop there and tell Lee.

Before you start: quit any other VPN or proxy app, and leave it off while you test.

Before your first Connect: save "Elsewhere Rescue.pkg", "Elsewhere Check", "Elsewhere removal blocks.txt" and this note on your Desktop, and keep Lee's phone number where you can reach it without the internet.

What it does: in Chrome or Brave, the https:// pages of the sites you choose open through the one country you pick. The rest of your Mac uses your normal connection.

To stop: press Disconnect. Don't restart the Mac unless Lee asks you to. There are two other cases where you may: Elsewhere shows the words "Restart this Mac, then open your invitation once more.", or the macOS Installer asks you to restart. Restart once, then open your invitation once more.

If websites or other apps have no internet and Disconnect doesn't fix it within a minute: double-click "Elsewhere Rescue.pkg", click Continue and Install, and type your Mac password. Then stop testing and call Lee, whether it worked or not. The rescue leaves Elsewhere unable to connect until Lee restores it. To restore it, Lee will ask you to open the same Elsewhere package again, install it, and restart your Mac when the Installer asks. Don't press Connect again until Lee says it is ready.

Don't remove the app on your own. Lee will walk you through it.

After today's session, please don't use it again until Lee says the repaired build is ready.