Chapter 2

Setting Your Sights on iPhoto’s Menus

Menus are found at the top of every Macintosh application. The Apple (symbol) menu is always farthest left. Next to it is the application menu. The title of this menu is always the name of the program you are using. As we see in Figure 2–1, if you are running iPhoto, you get the iPhoto menu. In this chapter, we’ll explore each menu, beginning with iPhoto, and work our way to the last menu in every application, the Help menu. This will familiarize you with all the menu options you have at your fingertips. It’s a crash course, so strap yourself in for a quick ride.

iPhoto Menu

The iPhoto menu, shown in Figure 2–1, provides a list of helpful items. Some of these—such as Preferences...—contain several noteworthy tabs, each with additional features designed to make your iPhoto experience a good one. In the following sections, I give an overview of each of these options.
Figure 2–1. The complete iPhoto menu

**About iPhoto**

The About iPhoto option, as I discussed in the “Common Features” section of the Quick Start guide of this manual, just shows you the version of the program you are running.

**Preferences...**

This is an important section for any application. Preferences are settings that affect how the application works. For iPhoto, there are five different tabs with many features to configure: General, Appearance, Sharing, Accounts, and Advanced. A description of each follows.

**General Tab**

The General tab is shown in Figure 2–2.