



New features available with iPadOS 18

Writing Tools

Rewrite

Create multiple versions of your text that maintain your tone. Easily swap in an option you prefer and continue writing or refining, or go straight back to your original.

Proofread

View suggested improvements to what you're writing, like grammar fixes and language refinements. Quickly accept all suggestions with a tap or view the explanations to better understand the changes and accept the ones you want.

Describe

The text field in Writing Tools lets you describe a more specific change you want to make to your text. Make it read like a poem, simplify the vocabulary or even turn it into a formal letter.

Style

Rewrite your text in a new style, such as "professional", "concise" or "friendly".

Summarise

Select text wherever you're writing and generate a high-quality summary. Summarise content of all kinds like documents, articles or communications to quickly understand the important points.

Compose

Ask ChatGPT to create original content from scratch. You can also use ChatGPT's image generation capabilities to add images alongside your written content.

Image Playground

Image Playground app

Have fun and experiment with all the features of Image Playground in a new app. You can easily create new images, access all the images you've previously created, remix previous images and share your creations with friends and family using your favourite social and communication apps.

Create Images with People You Know

Create an image of your friend on the moon or a family member on a surfboard with Image Playground thanks to Apple Intelligence's understanding of people in your photo library.

Create Images with Photos

Create images inspired by a photo by taking one, selecting one from your photo library or dragging one into Image Playground.

Create Images with Drawings

Use Apple Pencil and Image Wand to select drawings, images and text in Notes and open up Image Playground to create an image.

Create Images with Concepts

Choose from a range of concepts to add them to your playground from categories like themes, costumes, accessories and places.

Create Images with Characters

Easily define a character to add to your images in Image Playground by choosing their gender and skin tone and by providing a short description.

Create Images with Text

When you want to create a more specific image, you can add descriptions to your playground to shape the images you create.

Suggested Concepts

Image Playground offers intelligent suggestions to add to your image that are related to previous concepts you selected, the context of a message thread in Messages or your notes in the Notes app.

Quick Previews

Quickly see a selection of previews as you add concepts, and choose the one you like to create with more detail and at a higher resolution and save it to your Image Playground library.

Image Playground library

When you create an image, it's saved to your Image Playground library and synced across your devices with iCloud. You can access your library from Messages to easily share your creations, and you can revisit and remix your images in Image Playground as well.

Illustration style

Create uplifting and playful compositions with stylised and exaggerated characters against minimal backgrounds using a contemporary illustration style defined by simple shapes, clean lines and flat colourblocking with a diverse colour palette.

Messages experience

Create a fun image to share with friends using the new experience in Messages. When you first open Image Playground in Messages, it will suggest concepts related to your most recent conversation. You can also create a new image from scratch, or just select one of your previously created images from your Image Playground library.

Preview history

Freely experiment with different concepts without worrying about losing any previous previews you liked. When you remove a concept you previously added, Image Playground remembers what previews were created before you added it and can quickly bring them back for you.

Animation style

Create fantastical creatures, expressive animals, exaggerated human figures and more, all against immersive and detailed environments with rich textures using a modern, 3D-animated style.

Sketch style

Produce delightful drawings perfect for Notes using an academic and highly detailed sketch style with vibrant colours and a technical line style.

Deep integrations

Create images in Notes, Pages, Numbers, Keynote and Freeform to elevate your documents, spreadsheets, presentations or boards with delightful images.

Siri

Personal context understanding

With the on-device semantic index provided by Apple Intelligence, Siri can understand emails, messages, photos, calendar events, files and more, and can provide answers to questions that are personal to you. For example, when you say "What was that movie that Jamie told me I should check out?" Siri will dig up the message from last week. And when you're filling out a form and say "Add my passport number here", Siri can extract the number from a saved photo of your passport and drop it in.

In-app actions

Siri can take hundreds of new actions on your behalf, in both first- and third-party apps. The next time you're editing photos, you'll be able to say "Make this photo warmer", and Siri will make adjustments using the Photos app. Siri can take actions across apps too, so after you're done editing that photo, say "Add this to my ratatouille recipe note" and Siri will jump from the Photos app to the Notes app to take care of it.

Onscreen awareness

Siri will be able to understand and take action with things on your screen, so when a friend texts you recommending a new café in the neighbourhood, you can simply say “How long would it take me to walk there from home?” and Siri will understand just what you mean.

Maintains conversational context

Siri remembers what you talked about in recent requests, so if you ask when the Warriors are playing next and then say “Add that to my calendar”, Siri will know just what you mean.

Glowing edge light

You’ll now see an elegant glowing light that wraps around your screen when you speak to Siri. The new edge light responsively animates with the sound of your voice and makes it possible to keep scrolling, typing or otherwise navigating your device while you talk to Siri.

ChatGPT integration

Siri can tap into ChatGPT to help you with certain requests when it determines ChatGPT can provide a helpful answer. You can also ask questions about photos and documents including PDFs and presentations. You will be asked before requests or information are sent to ChatGPT. Siri then presents you the answer directly.

More resilient request handling

If you stumble over your words or change your mind mid-sentence, Siri will still follow along. For example, you might say, “Hey Siri, set an alarm — wait no, sorry, I meant a timer for 10 minutes — actually, let’s make that 15.”

Product knowledge

Siri can answer thousands of questions about the features and settings on your Apple products by drawing on large language models that are trained on Apple support documentation.

Type to Siri

You now have the option to type to Siri at any time, and you can ask Siri all the same things by text as you can ask by voice. You can switch fluidly between text and voice, so you can communicate in whatever way feels right for the moment.

Focus**Reduce interruptions**

This new Focus understands the content of your notifications and selectively surfaces only the ones that might need immediate attention, like a text about today’s childcare pickup or a last-minute invite to dinner tonight.

Intelligent Breakthrough & Silencing

Your device will determine if a notification is important enough to break through with the Intelligent Breakthrough & Silencing option. It can be turned on for any Focus mode, so you don’t miss your food delivery when you’re in Do Not Disturb.

Genmoji**Genmoji**

Generate unique, emoji-style stickers directly from the keyboard. In the sticker creator, just type what you want to create, like “dog on a surfboard”, and see your creation appear in seconds.

Mail	Priority messages Know what to prioritise as soon as you open Mail with priority messages at the top of your inbox that are based on what's most urgent. Thread summaries When you open an email thread, tap to see a detailed summary that helps you get the gist of a lengthy email or several emails in the same thread.	Preview summaries Know the key information before you even open the thread with brief summaries that appear in the email preview instead of the first few lines of that email. Smart Reply Based on the content of the email you received, Mail will show you smart options to quickly choose from that add detail to the reply, like answering specific questions you were asked. When you make your selections, your Smart Reply incorporates your choices into the generated draft so it's ready to send.
Messages	Smart Reply Quickly respond to messages with generated options that appear directly in the prediction bar when you tap the text field to respond. Messages will understand the content of the conversation and offer options that are relevant to the context.	Summaries Previews of messages in your conversation list will show brief summaries instead of the beginning of your most recent messages, so at a glance you know the key information before you even open the chat.
Notes	Transcription summaries^{1,2} Get an intelligently created summary of key points from your audio recording, so you can review what happened without going through the entire transcript.	Image Wand Select Image Wand from your tool palette to select a drawing and create an image from it. You can modify what you create by adding text or drawing on top of the original image. You can even circle blank space in your note to have Image Wand create an image from nearby text.
Notifications	Priority notifications Immediately see the things that may require your attention, like a work message about a deliverable due that day, with priority notifications that are based on what's most urgent and appear at the top of your notifications. Announce Notifications support Announce Notifications can read aloud your notification summaries when using AirPods.	Notification summaries Multiple notifications from a single app are grouped in a stack with a glanceable summary on top that lets you know the most important information. For many communication apps like Mail and Messages, the content of your notifications will be summarised so you can get all the key information without tapping the notification to open the app.

Photos

Natural language photo and video search

Search supports natural language queries and expanded understanding, so you can search for just what you mean, like “fluffy white dog on a green couch”. You can also search for an action that happened within a video, and Photos will take you to the correct segment.

Clean Up tool³

Remove distracting elements from your photos with the Clean Up tool for those times when an unwanted object spoiled the moment.

Create your own Memories

Create a memory about the specific story you want to see, just by typing a description. Photos writes a storyline, complete with unique chapters, and selects a great set of photos and videos to create your movie, complete with a perfectly paired song.

Apple Intelligence is available in beta on all iPad models with A17 Pro or M1 and later, with Siri and device language set to US English, as an iPadOS 18 update. English (Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, South Africa, UK) language support available this December. Some features and support for additional languages, like Chinese, English (India, Singapore), French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Spanish, Vietnamese and others, will be coming over the course of the next year.

Key features and enhancements

Notes

Handwriting refinement^{4,5}

Write quickly without sacrificing the legibility of your handwritten text. As you write with Apple Pencil, your handwriting will be automatically refined in real time to be smoother, straighter and more legible. Notes uses an on-device model to recreate your writing style, all while maintaining the look and feel of your own personal handwriting style.

Handwriting reflow^{6,7}

Handwritten text is now as easy to adjust as typed text. You can paste in the middle of a paragraph, add some space or scratch out a sentence, and your written text will automatically reflow to fit your content.

Audio recording

Record audio sessions straight from your note, and keep them with related comments, checklists and documents. You can even edit your note while recording, so you're always able to jot down something important.

Access Maths Notes from Calculator

Work on the Maths Notes you created in Calculator when you're in Notes — they automatically sync to your Maths Notes folder.

Highlighting

Make text in your note stand out using highlighting with five different colour options.

Spellcheck for handwritten words^{4,5}

The same spellchecker you use with typed text works with handwritten text as well. Just tap an underlined word and choose how you want to correct it — the fix will appear in your own writing style.

Paste as handwriting^{4,5}

Copy text from a web page, document or email, and paste it in your own handwriting. You can even paste it in the middle of a paragraph just like you would with typed text, and all your handwritten notes will reflow to fit.

Maths in Notes

Type or write out expressions in your note to have them solve instantly. You also have all of the functionality of Maths Notes in any note, including variables, graphs and more.

Collapsible sections

Clean up extra-long notes by hiding text under new collapsible section headers.

PDF inline search

Find words in PDFs and document scans with an improved search experience that takes you to what you're looking for within the document.

Calculator

Calculator app on iPad

Designed for the unique capabilities of iPad, the Calculator app delivers an entirely new way to use Apple Pencil or a keyboard to solve expressions.

Written maths

Write out a basic or scientific expression using Apple Pencil just like you would on a piece of paper, and Maths Notes will instantly solve your expressions inline when you write an equals sign.

Personalised handwritten results⁵

As you write in Notes and Maths Notes, iPad learns your handwriting style. So when you write out maths with Apple Pencil, you'll see results after the equals sign that appear in handwriting like your own.

Variables⁹

Easily assign values to variables and then use those variables in expressions you solve. For example, you can assign " $x=10$ " and then type or write " $x + 20 =$ " to get an answer.

Adjust numbers

Quickly adjust any number you write or type in Maths Notes by tapping it and swiping your finger across the slider to increase or decrease it. You'll see the number and related equations and graphs update in real time.

Maths Results

Type out a mathematical expression in apps like Messages and Mail, and you'll see Maths Results as suggestions so you can easily add them in.

Editable expressions

Enter an expression in the basic and scientific calculators, and you'll see the full expression before you solve it. You can also easily delete characters with the backspace button.

Unit conversions

Convert length, weight, currencies and more while using the basic and scientific calculators, or convert typed or written units using Maths Notes.

Maths Notes⁸

With a new Maths Notes calculator, you can evaluate expressions, assign variables and even create graphs by simply writing or typing out maths.

Vertical written maths

Write out a list of numbers vertically, then draw a line underneath them to add them up. Add operators like a plus, negative, multiplication or division symbol next to your numbers to have them calculated from top to bottom.

Typed maths

Type out mathematical expressions in Maths Notes, and see them instantly solved directly inline.

Graphing

Write or type out an equation, and with a tap you can insert a graph. Zoom in or out, or pan around the graph, and resize it to get it just right. You can even add multiple equations on the same graph to see how they relate to one another.

Works with Notes

Access all of your Maths Notes in the Notes app, and even solve maths in any of your other notes.

Basic and scientific calculators

Use the basic or scientific calculators you know on iPad, optimised for iPad's large display and powerful multitasking.

History

Keep track of previous calculations in the basic and scientific calculators, copy their results to use in other apps and tap results to go back to working on them.

Customisation

More flexible placement

Place app icons and widgets in any open position on the Home Screen to create the ideal layout. Arrange them along the bottom, directly above the dock, for quicker reach. Or off to the side, so that your favourite wallpaper can shine through.

Dark icons

Customise app icons and widgets to automatically adjust to a new darker aesthetic when your phone enters Dark Mode, or set them to always appear dark. They make your Home Screen look even more sleek.

Larger icons

Make all the app icons on your screen appear even larger, removing the name underneath, for a new streamlined look.

Unique page layouts

With the option to place app icons and widgets wherever you'd like, you can organise each Home Screen page with unique layouts that are most helpful for you.

Tinted icons

Give app icons your own personal touch with colour. With the new customisation sheet, tint the app icons and widgets on your Home Screen with the colour of your choice. iPadOS will even suggest a colour to help you get started. Match your wallpaper, set a mood or go for that minimalist monochromatic look.

Controls

Redesigned Control Centre

Control Centre is redesigned with convenient groups of controls, the ability to arrange controls just the way you want and support for new controls from third-party apps.

Controls gallery

The new controls gallery displays the full set of available controls, including new controls from third-party apps, that you can drop directly into the group you choose, or build out entirely new groups too.

Groups of controls

Get quick access to new groups of your most used controls, including Home controls, Media Playback and Connectivity. Enter Control Centre by swiping from the top-right corner of the Home Screen, and jump quickly straight to the group you want by continuing to swipe down further.

Controls for third-party apps

Add controls from third-party apps into Control Centre. Quickly unlock your vehicle or jump straight into capturing content for social media — all from one place.

Photos

Biggest-ever design update

The new Photos design is gorgeous, easy to use and customisable. A simplified, unified app layout puts everything you need in a single view, with the familiar photo grid at the top and automatically organised collections below.

Recent Days

View your recent events and activities without the clutter, so you can easily show a friend the photos from last Sunday's epic ride — and share the photos with a tap.

Collections

Your library is automatically organised into helpful new collections of photos so you can browse and find content in your library by themes — without having to organise your entire library into albums.

Groups in People & Pets

People & Pets now includes groups of your favourite people, like you with your partner, you and your pet or you with your best friends.

Trips

Trips organises your adventures in one place, so you can relive your travels. Quickly jump to a specific year to see your trips from that year.

Collection view options

There are multiple options to view and enjoy each group of photos — in a beautiful editorial view, in a grid, as a memory or on a map.

Hide screenshots from your library

A new button in the grid helps you reduce clutter by filtering to specific media types, your favourites or by hiding screenshots from the view.

Expanded content types in Utilities

Utilities includes new content types like documents, receipts, handwriting, illustrations and QR codes, and content you've recently accessed like Recently Added, Viewed, Edited and Shared.

Clean Up tool*

Remove distracting elements from your photos with the Clean Up tool for those times when an unwanted object spoiled the moment.

Album attribution

View which custom albums a photo has been added to in the Info pane.

Smart copy and paste edits

Edit similar images quickly by choosing whether to include the crop aspect ratio, and match exposure and white balance across photos when copying and pasting edits.

Creative stories

Photos creates a montage with unique chapters for you, in addition to chronological stories. It picks out the best photos and videos and arranges them into chapters that match the story arc. Lastly, it even picks out a great title and song to match.

Wallpaper suggestions

Find your next perfect wallpaper, complete with style suggestions.

Pinned Collections

Keep your frequently accessed content types at your fingertips, like Favourites, Recently Saved, Places, Videos, your favourite custom albums, screenshots, Recently Edited photos, or your pet or a group of people.

Months and Years highlights

From Grid view, tap Months to see highlighted events or Years to see a highlight from each month in your library, so you can quickly jump back in time.

Customise the Photos app

Personalise the Photos app just how you like it by customising the order of Collections, and choose Pinned Collections to keep at your fingertips.

Edit albums in folders

Add or remove existing albums in folders.

Edit in light or dark mode

Choose to edit your photos with a dark or light background, or default to the system appearance.

Video speed control

Adjust the playback speed of high frame rate video for cinematic and dramatic slowed-down effects.

Smart suggestions

Don't worry about writer's block — you can start with a suggestion provided by Photos based on recent events, trips and people that you've photographed.

Messages	Text effects Add dynamic, animated effects like Explode or Ripple to any letter, word or phrase in iMessage to bring your conversations to life. Emoji and sticker Tapbacks Tapback with any emoji or sticker, giving you infinite ways to react to a message. Multiple Tapbacks on a single bubble are spread out to let you better view the three most recently added. Low Quality Image Mode improvements Send images in Messages as their original size or compressed with minimal quality loss while in Low Quality Image Mode.	Text formatting Add text formatting like bold, underline, italics and strikethrough to any letter, word or phrase in iMessage to better express your tone. Send Later Compose a message now and schedule it to send later for the times when it's late and you don't want a message to send until the morning, or when you don't want to forget to celebrate an important birthday or other milestone. High-quality Images Send most images up to 100MB at full resolution over iMessage, depending on device and network conditions.
Gaming	Game Mode Provides a more immersive gaming experience by improving the responsiveness with wireless accessories and minimising background activity to sustain the highest frame rates.	
Safari	Additional Start Page backgrounds* Customise your Safari Start Page with six new backgrounds. The new background image options hearken back to beautiful California landscapes and Safari's history.	
Passwords	Passwords app See all your passwords, passkeys, verification codes, Wi-Fi passwords and Sign in with Apple credentials for websites and apps in one place. Sign in with Apple See what apps and websites you've used Sign in with Apple or Hide My Email to sign in. You can also now add Sign in with Apple credentials to shared password groups. Verification codes Set up two-factor verification codes directly in Passwords and easily copy them or autofill into Safari without even opening the app. Syncing Your accounts saved in Passwords sync seamlessly with iCloud so you can access them on your other Apple devices.	Passwords and passkeys Easily save your passwords and passkeys and autofill them into websites and apps, either by saving them during account creation or manually adding them later. Wi-Fi passwords Access Wi-Fi passwords you've saved so you can easily refer to them or share with others. Sorting Sort accounts alphabetically, or by recently created, to quickly find accounts you're looking for. End-to-end encryption iCloud syncing is backed by incredibly secure end-to-end encryption.

Windows support

Access your passwords on Windows in the iCloud Passwords app.

SharePlay

Ask to share

Ask someone to share their screen with you directly from Messages or while in a FaceTime call, making it easier to provide help when needed.

Remote control

Ask for permission to remotely control their device and take the actions yourself if you need to assist someone more directly.

iPhone to iPhone, iPad to iPad

Remote control works between iPhone and iPhone, or between iPad and iPad.

Draw to highlight

Tap and draw directly on the screen being shared with you, helping your friends and family take the right actions on their own screen.

Privacy friendly

Screen share with peace of mind. Only a known contact can request to control your screen. Your actions on your device will always take preference over remote ones.

SharePlay on more devices

Now it's easier for everyone to control the music together on Apple Music, whether you're listening on HomePod, Apple TV or a Bluetooth speaker.

Freeform

Scenes

Create scenes to organise sections of a board by topic or to make it easy to present your content by moving around quickly.

Snap to grid

Align content on your board precisely with Snap to Grid.

Improved diagramming

Join objects together with magnetic connection lines that can be anchored anywhere, making it easier to create diagrams and relate your ideas.

Send a copy

Share your ideas with as many people as you want by sending a copy with a link that anyone can use to open the board on their device.

Handwriting recognition

Handwritten text on your board can be searched, translated and copied as text.

Maths Results

Write out a basic or scientific expression with an equals sign and you'll see results inserted or suggested inline on your board.

Apps on iPad

Redesigned tab bar

Stay focused on your app's content and easily switch between your favourite tabs with the updated tab bar. When you need to explore more of your app, the tab bar elegantly morphs into a new sidebar with more.

Refined animations

Enjoy refined animations that make your apps feel even more fluid and responsive as you open and close sidebars, documents, photos and more.

Customisable tab bars

Put your favourite tabs within easy reach by customising the order and contents of the updated tab bar.

Updated document browser

Access your documents in apps like Pages, Numbers, Keynote and Swift Playgrounds with a new document browser that gives each of your apps a distinct look and feel.

AirPods

Siri Interactions¹⁰

Respond to Siri announcements with AirPods by simply nodding your head yes or shaking your head no.

Personalised Spatial Audio for gaming¹¹

Puts you in the middle of the action like never before with a new API that makes it easy for developers to deliver the most immersive audio experience with AirPods.

In-game voice quality

For high-quality in-game audio, quality is now levelled up to 16 bits, 48kHz, when streaming or chatting with friends while gaming. Available on AirPods Pro 2.

Voice Isolation

For the best call quality with AirPods, Voice Isolation enables you to take calls anywhere, even in windy conditions or places with loud background noise.

Reduced gaming audio latency¹²

To make sure you get the edge over the competition, AirPods Pro now deliver wireless audio latency approaching the nearly imperceptible latency of the built-in iPhone speaker, which is so important for fast-paced gaming where every millisecond counts.

Privacy & Security

Improved Contacts preferences

Empowers you to choose what contacts to share with an app, and you can add more over time.

Accessory Setup Kit

Developers can now seamlessly pair accessories without accessing information about nearby Bluetooth devices or devices on your network.

Redesigned Privacy & Security settings

More easily manage how much information you are sharing with apps. Each data type now shows how many apps are accessing that data, making it easier for you to find where you are sharing the most information with apps. Settings will now note the level of access that apps have to Photos, Calendar and Contacts.

Blocking sensitive content for children

Communication Safety will require a Screen Time password for children to view or send sensitive content.

Even more

Accessibility

Eye Tracking¹³

Navigate the entire iPad experience with just your eyes, including Dwell Control to tap. And it works with all your favourite apps, no additional hardware required.

Vehicle motion cues

New experience for iPad that can help reduce motion sickness for passengers in moving vehicles. Dots appear on your iPad screen and use built-in sensors to move with the vehicle to reduce sensory conflict, without interfering with your content.

Vocal Shortcuts

Create custom utterances to activate shortcuts and complete tasks on iPad like setting a timer or taking a screenshot.

AirPlay

Spatial Audio¹⁴

Experience the sense of being surrounded in music, including support for Dolby Atmos, when using AirPlay to stream from iPad to HomePod and selected third-party, AirPlay-compatible audio equipment.

Apple Account

Share Sign in with Apple credentials

Share access to your Sign in with Apple credentials with trusted friends and family members in the new Passwords app. This makes it easy to share the credentials just once, similar to setting up a shared family passwords list.

Apple TV app

InSight¹⁵

See real-time actor and music information that complements the action on screen, while enjoying Apple TV+ movies and shows. Select an actor to learn more about them or easily add a song to an Apple Music playlist.

More dynamic subtitles¹⁷

Subtitles will automatically appear at just the right times, like when the content language doesn't match your device language, when you mute the audio or when you skip back while watching a programme.

Enhance dialogue^{16,5}

Hear what's being said on screen more clearly, especially during scenes with music and loud effects.

Calendar	View reminders in Calendar Stay organised and view all your scheduled reminders from the Reminders app directly in Calendar along with all your other events. Create reminders in Calendar Create scheduled reminders directly from Calendar just like you would create an event. This makes it easy to separate events from tasks and keep your tasks synced to the Reminders app.	Edit reminders in Calendar Mark reminders as complete from Calendar as you move through your day, move them to schedule them for a different date or time or even edit all their details. Refreshed look Updates to typography and consistent event details across Day, Week and Month views make your events easier to read.
Camera	5-second timer Choose to use a 5-second timer in Camera in addition to 3- and 10-second timers.	Continue playing music when taking a video Music will continue to play via Bluetooth connection when capturing a video.
FaceTime	Eye Contact¹⁸ FaceTime on iPad feels more natural by helping you establish eye contact, even when you're looking at the screen instead of the camera.	
Family Sharing	Family Sharing invitations Now it's even easier to accept an invitation to join a Family Sharing group. As soon as you're invited, the invitation will appear at the top of Settings. Plus, family organisers can immediately see who's accepted and easily send a reminder or follow-up to those who haven't.	Recommended for your family Quickly and easily set up new items for your family like a shared calendar, grocery list and passwords list. Once created, everyone in the family can contribute to the shared items, making it easy to keep the entire family in the loop.
Files	Desktop and documents in the Cloud setup When you set up a third-party cloud account on your device, you will be invited to sync desktop and documents to the cloud. This can also be set up later in Settings. Expanded external drive file formats Touch and hold to format external drives to APFS, exFAT or MS-DOS (Fat32) file formats on iPad USB-C.	Keep downloaded Choose the iCloud files you always want access to on your device, and changes you make to your file while offline will sync with iCloud whenever you are back online. Erasing an external drive Erase a mounted external drive in Files by long pressing on the drive and tapping "Erase".

Home	Guest access¹⁹ Provide time-based access to locks and alarm systems for up to 29 guests in the Home app. Guest activity will be logged into Activity History, displaying up to 30 days of activity including time, the accessory used and the name of the person, if applicable. Control robot vacuum cleaners in the Home app** Robot vacuum cleaners can participate in automations and scenes and listen for Siri requests, just like other accessories in your home. Matter-compatible robot vacuum cleaners can be added and controlled in the Home app.	Pair Matter accessories without a hub²⁰ Add and locally control Wi-Fi-based Matter accessories to the Home app without needing a home hub. Thread-based accessory management is available with iPad Pro with M4 chip and iPad Air with M2 chip.
iCloud	Settings redesign iCloud settings have been redesigned to make it easy to see how iCloud keeps content from across your device backed up and synced. Quickly see if your device backup is up to date, enable premium features, customise your experience and take action on personalised recommendations.	
Keyboard	Unified picker The emoji keyboard and sticker drawer are combined into a unified picker, making it even easier to find just what you're looking for. Searchable stickers In addition to emoji, stickers are also now searchable in the unified picker. Multilingual keyboard Seamlessly switch between two languages in a single keyboard for a bilingual predictive typing experience. Multilingual predictive typing also supports QuickPath.	Inline stickers and Memoji Stickers and Memoji can be inserted inline with text, just like emoji. Dictation actions While dictating, you can make a variety of edits to your text using just your voice. For example, say "change Saturday to Sunday", "delete 'next Saturday'" or just "undo", and Dictation will intelligently make those edits for you. Language detection The multilingual keyboard recognises the language you were last using in messages and switches automatically, so if you were messaging a friend in Spanish and your family in French, you can pick up exactly where you left off.

Alphabetical Indian keyboard layouts

New layouts provide everything you need to type a language in one view with no need to switch views while typing. Keys are arranged in familiar alphabetical order and the characters on the keyboard change as you type to display the correct combination of consonants and vowels, making typing faster and easier. Available in Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Malayalam, Marathi, Odia, Punjabi, Tamil, Telugu and Urdu.

Locked and Hidden Apps

Locked apps

Touch and hold an app to lock it, protecting its contents from being accessed by others. In addition, the contents of the app are not surfaced outside the locked app, such as in search or notifications.

Hidden apps

For additional privacy, you can also hide a locked app. In addition to the protections of locking, the app icon and name won't show up on the Home Screen or when you search. And you won't receive notifications from the app on the Lock Screen or Home Screen, so the app won't be inadvertently revealed to others who can see your screen.

Seamless authentication

Seamlessly open any app you've locked with Face ID, Touch ID or a passcode.

Hidden apps folder

When you choose to hide an app, it is moved to a locked hidden apps folder that requires Face ID, Touch ID or a passcode to open.

Maps

Create and save walking and hiking routes

Create custom walking and hiking routes with just a few taps. Save your custom routes so you can easily access them later. You can create custom routes for hikes in the park, regular exercise routines in your neighbourhood, walking tours while on vacation and more.

Discover and save places

Quickly discover and compare places by browsing photos, ratings, price level and more, all without leaving search. Easily save places with just a tap, and add a note on what you want to remember about a place or why you like it. Easily access all your saved places, guides and hiking routes in the all-new Places Library.

Music

SharePlay on more devices

Now it's easier for everyone to control the music together on Apple Music, whether you're listening on HomePod, Apple TV or a Bluetooth speaker.

Podcasts	Chapter scrubbing Navigate the chapters of the episode as you're listening. Share from transcripts Share a link to a specific time from the player or a transcript.	Better playback control Reorder and remove episodes in Continue Playing. Search suggestions as you type Start typing your search term and suggested search terms, shows and episodes will appear automatically.
Reminders	Calendar integration Your scheduled reminders now show in the Calendar app alongside your events. You can even create and edit your reminders directly from Calendar, and they sync straight back to your Reminders lists. Subtasks in Smart Lists Your subtasks are now available in Today, Scheduled and other Smart Lists for quick reference.	Recently deleted list Your deleted reminders stay in a recently deleted section for easy reference or retrieval. Multi-language grocery lists Enable other languages to categorise your grocery lists in Settings.
Tips	Tips sharing Share helpful hints and hidden gems with others from the Tips app.	
Translate	AirPods in conversations Get in-ear translations that come through your device microphone and respond with your AirPods microphones so the other person can hear the translated output from the device speaker.	New language Support for Hindi in Translate, systemwide translation and Safari web page translation.
Wallet	Pay with instalments²¹ Get access to instalment financing options from your bank or card provider for your credit and debit card purchases, when you check out with Apple Pay online and in apps. For developers and merchants, this requires no integration — it just works using the standard Apple Pay implementation. Apple Pay on Chrome and Windows PC Enable Apple Pay as a payment option for online transactions on third-party browsers and PCs.	Redeem Rewards View your card rewards balance in Wallet and when you check out with Apple Pay online and in apps.²¹ Your rewards are automatically converted into dollars that you can use to put towards your purchase to make that transaction more affordable. For developers and merchants, this requires no integration — it just works using the standard Apple Pay implementation.

Weather

Easier-to-find Feels Like temperature

Prepare for outdoor conditions more efficiently with a more prominently displayed Feels Like temperature. Feels Like appears near the actual temperature when they differ significantly, and their detail views are merged so you can compare them more easily.

Prominent wind gusts and direction

Conveniently learn about windy conditions with wind speed, gusts and direction.

Home and work locations

Your home and work locations from Contacts are brought into Weather. You can search for them and add them to your list.

* Coming in an update.

- ¹ Available in English (Australia), English (Canada), English (Ireland), English (New Zealand), English (South Africa), English (United Kingdom) and English (United States).
- ² Available on iPad Pro (M4), iPad Pro 11-inch (3rd generation and later), iPad Pro 12.9-inch (5th generation and later), iPad Air (M2) and iPad Air (5th generation and later).
- ³ Clean Up will be available in beta on all iPhone 16 models, iPhone 15 Pro, iPhone 15 Pro Max, and iPad and Mac with M1 and later, as part of iOS 18.1, iPadOS 18.1 and macOS Sequoia 15.1 later this year.
- ⁴ Available in English (Australia), English (Canada), English (India), English (Ireland), English (New Zealand), English (Singapore), English (South Africa), English (United Kingdom), English (United States), French (Belgium), French (Canada), French (France), French (Switzerland), German (Austria), German (Germany), German (Switzerland), Italian (Italy), Italian (Switzerland), Portuguese (Brazil), Portuguese (Portugal), Spanish (Latin America), Spanish (Mexico) and Spanish (Spain).
- ⁵ Available on iPad Pro (M4), iPad Pro 12.9-inch (5th generation and later), iPad Pro 11-inch (3rd generation and later), iPad Air (M2), iPad Air (4th generation and later), iPad (10th generation) and iPad mini (6th generation).
- ⁶ Available in Cantonese (Traditional), Chinese (Simplified), Chinese (Traditional), English (Australia), English (Canada), English (India), English (Ireland), English (New Zealand), English (Singapore), English (South Africa), English (United Kingdom), English (United States), French (Belgium), French (Canada), French (France), French (Switzerland), German (Austria), German (Germany), German (Switzerland), Italian (Italy), Italian (Switzerland), Japanese, Korean, Portuguese (Brazil), Portuguese (Portugal), Russian, Spanish (Latin America), Spanish (Mexico), Spanish (Spain), Thai (Thailand), Ukrainian and Vietnamese.
- ⁷ Available on iPad Pro (M4), iPad Pro 12.9-inch (2nd generation and later), iPad Pro 10.9-inch, iPad Pro 11-inch (1st generation and later), iPad (7th generation and later), iPad Air (M2), iPad Air (3rd generation and later) and iPad mini (5th generation and later).
- ⁸ Available for maths written using Western Arabic numerals and common mathematical symbols, or typed using Arabic (Eastern and Western) and Devanagari numerals and common mathematical symbols.
- ⁹ Available with variables created using the Latin alphabet.
- ¹⁰ Available when paired with AirPods 4, AirPods 4 with Active Noise Cancellation or AirPods Pro 2 with the latest firmware.
- ¹¹ Available on AirPods 4, AirPods 4 with Active Noise Cancellation, AirPods Pro 2, AirPods Max, Beats Fit Pro, Beats Solo 4 and Beats Studio Pro. Compatible hardware and software required. Works with compatible content in supported apps. Not all content available in Dolby Atmos. iPhone with TrueDepth camera required to create a personal profile for Spatial Audio, which will sync across Apple devices running the latest operating system software, including iOS, iPadOS, macOS and tvOS.
- ¹² Testing conducted by Apple in May 2024 using AirPods Pro 2 with MagSafe Charging Case (USB-C) units paired with iPhone 15 Pro units, with pre-release AirPods firmware and iOS 18. Mobile gaming audio latency tested in Game Mode using a selection of iOS games, by measuring the duration between user input and sound output. Performance depends on device settings, environment and many other factors.
- ¹³ Available on iPad Pro (M4), iPad Pro 12.9-inch (5th generation and later), iPad Pro 11-inch (3rd generation and later), iPad (10th generation), iPad Air (M2), iPad Air (4th generation and later), iPad mini (6th generation and later).
- ¹⁴ Available with third-party source app and receiving device to support Spatial Audio with AirPlay. Dolby Atmos is available with compatible content and audio equipment.
- ¹⁵ Available with an Apple TV+ subscription. Title support subject to change.
- ¹⁶ Available with compatible content in supported apps when using built-in speakers, wired headphones, AirPods and other Bluetooth-connected speakers and headphones.
- ¹⁷ Works with compatible content in supported apps.
- ¹⁸ Available on iPad Pro (M4), iPad Air (M2), iPad (10th generation) and iPad mini (6th generation).
- ¹⁹ Available with a home hub, such as Apple TV or HomePod. Setting a schedule for guest access via hands-free unlock with home keys, tap to unlock with home keys or PIN codes requires a Matter lock that supports schedules.
- ²⁰ Available on a Thread-enabled home hub such as Apple TV 4K, HomePod (2nd generation), HomePod mini or a compatible third-party Thread border router. Thread-enabled devices are able to locally pair and manage Thread accessories, which may require an update from the accessory manufacturer.
- ²¹ Available on cards from participating banks and card providers in certain markets. Subject to eligibility and approval.