

What's New in iOS 15

1. iOS 15

- 1.1. iPhone 6s and later
- 1.2. Backup first
 - 1.2.1. Connect to Mac/PC or on iPhone tap Settings > your name > iCloud > iCloud Backup > Back Up Now
- 1.3. Install on your iPhone
 - 1.3.1. Settings > General > Software Update

2. Focus

- 2.1. An extension of Do Not Disturb
- 2.2. Concentrate on a task while minimizing distractions
- 2.3. Temporarily silence all distractions or specific notifications
- 2.4. Settings > Focus
 - 2.4.1. Choose from a list of options or design your own
 - 2.4.1.1. Add people to receive notifications from, incoming calls
 - 2.4.1.2. Add apps that can provide notifications; time-sensitive notifications
 - 2.4.1.3. Share Focus Status
 - 2.4.1.4. Choose Home Screen pages to access
 - 2.4.1.5. Lock Screen options
 - 2.4.1.6. Name & Appearance
 - 2.4.1.7. Add a schedule or automation
 - 2.4.2. Share Across Devices through iCloud and your Apple ID
- 2.5. Enable a Focus in Control Center
 - 2.5.1. Tap to turn on or off
 - 2.5.2. Tap More (...) to choose an ending point or change the Settings for a Focus
 - 2.5.3. When enabled, an icon appears in the status bar
 - 2.5.4. Messages will also display your status

3. Notifications

- 3.1. Larger app icons and contact photos help make them easier to identify
- 3.2. Notification summary
 - 3.2.1. Collect notifications and deliver them daily

3.2.2. Personalized to you based on how you use apps

3.2.3. Intelligently ordered by priority

3.2.4. Useful in conjunction with Focus

3.3. Settings > Notifications > Scheduled Summary

3.3.1. Turn on Scheduled Summary

3.3.2. Select the apps to include in the summary

3.3.3. Set a time for the summary; add additional summaries if you like

3.3.4. Tap A to Z to make sure all the apps you want are included

3.3.5. Calls, direct messages, and time-sensitive notification will still be delivered immediately, even for apps in your summary

4. Maps

4.1. Enhanced detail is only available in some cities (including San Francisco)

4.2. Choose the best map (Explore, Driving, Transit, Satellite)

4.3. Driving features include turn lanes and bike lanes as well as street-level perspectives

4.4. Public transit features include nearby stations and transit times, Maps app will notify you when it's almost time to disembark

4.5. Zoom out for globe view

4.6. iPhone Xs or later in select areas: Immersive walking directions

4.6.1. Tap AR button (it looks like a six-sided object)

4.6.2. Position rear-facing camera to see the surrounding area

4.7. Settings available by tapping your picture or initials next to search field

5. Safari

5.1. Tab bar moved to bottom screen for easier reach

5.1.1. Don't like it? Settings > Safari > Single Tab

5.1.2. Swipe between open tabs

5.2. Website tinting

5.3. Tab Groups: A collection of Tabs that you can return to later

5.3.1. Touch and hold a tab, then tap Move to Tab Group

5.3.2. Tap an existing group, or make a new tab group

5.3.3. Tab Groups update on all your devices through iCloud

5.3.4. Tap down arrow at bottom-center of the screen to see your tab groups

5.3.5. Swipe on a Tab Group to rename or delete it

5.4. Customize Start Page

5.4.1. Scroll to the bottom of a Start Page and tap Edit

5.4.1.1. Sync the Start Page through iCloud

5.4.1.2. Turn on or off and reorder options

5.4.1.3. Shared with You adds links from Messages app

5.4.1.4. Choose a background image

5.5. Extensions

5.5.1. Extend Safari's capabilities

5.5.1.1. Tap Settings > Safari > Extensions > More Extensions

6. Live Text

6.1. iPhone Xs, iPhone XR and later

6.1.1. Copy and share text, open websites, compose emails, make phone calls, translate

6.2. Camera app can recognize text

6.2.1. Point iPhone's camera at the text

6.2.2. When a yellow frame appears around the text, tap the Live Text button

6.2.3. Select the text to share it, copy it, or translate it

6.2.4. Tap the text to open website, make a call, or start an email message

6.2.5. Tap the Live Text button to return to the Camera app

6.3. Within a photo

6.3.1. Open a photo that contains text

6.3.2. Tap the Live Text button to identify all Live Text in the photo

6.3.3. You may also be able to double-tap text to select it

6.3.4. Select the text to share it, copy it, or translate it

6.3.5. Tap the text to open website, make a call, or start an email message

6.3.6. Tap the Live Text button to return to the Camera app

7. Visual Look Up

7.1. iPhone Xs, iPhone XR and later

- 7.2. Learn more about popular landmarks, art, plants, flowers, pets, and other objects that appear in your photos
 - 7.2.1. Open a photo in full screen
 - 7.2.2. An *i* button with stars indicates Visual Look Up info is available; tap it or swipe up on the photo
 - 7.2.3. Tap the icon that appears on the photo to see more information

8. Photos Memories

- 8.1. Photos app can create personalized collections of photos and videos called Memories; they are found in the For You section.
- 8.2. Add a Memories Mix to personalize it further
- 8.3. Apply different music
 - 8.3.1. In the Photos app, tap For You
 - 8.3.2. Tap a memory to play it
 - 8.3.3. Tap the screen, then Tap the music button
 - 8.3.4. Swipe left to view different Memory mixes with different music
 - 8.3.5. Change the music by tapping the Add Music button
 - 8.3.6. Apple Music subscribers can access their library
 - 8.3.7. Tap a song, then tap Done
- 8.4. Change the look of the memory
 - 8.4.1. In the Photos app, tap For You
 - 8.4.2. Tap a memory to play it
 - 8.4.3. Tap the screen, then Tap the music button
 - 8.4.4. Tap the filter button
 - 8.4.5. Tap a Memory Look, then tap Done
- 8.5. Change the title, length of the Memory, or manage the photos
 - 8.5.1. Tap the More button
 - 8.5.2. Tap Change Title
 - 8.5.3. Tap Short, Medium, or Long (if there are enough photos to offer these choices)
 - 8.5.4. Tap Manage Photos to remove photos from the Memory

9. Health

- 9.1. Share health data—notifications for significant trends and heart rate—with someone close to you
 - 9.1.1. Include the person in your Contacts app
 - 9.1.2. Open Health
 - 9.1.3. Tap Sharing
 - 9.1.4. Tap Share with Someone
 - 9.1.5. Tap Next
 - 9.1.6. Find someone in your Contacts app
 - 9.1.7. Tap their contact info
 - 9.1.8. Choose topics to share
 - 9.1.9. Tap Share, then tap Done
- 9.2. iPhone can track your walking steadiness and notify you if you are at elevated risk of falling in the next 12 months
 - 9.2.1. Tap your profile picture or initials in the top right hand corner of the Health app
 - 9.2.2. Tap Health Checklist
 - 9.2.3. Tap Set Up for Walking Steadiness Notifications
 - 9.2.4. Check your trend in Browse > Mobility
- 9.3. View trends
 - 9.3.1. Tap Browse
 - 9.3.2. Tap a category
 - 9.3.3. Tap a subcategory to see trends

10. Privacy

- 10.1. Mail Privacy Protection
 - 10.1.1. Hides your IP address through the use of multiple proxy servers
 - 10.1.2. Downloads remote content in the background when the message arrives, rather than when it is opened
 - 10.1.2.1. Tap Settings > Mail > Privacy Protection
 - 10.1.2.2. Turn on Protect Mail Activity
- 10.2. Private Relay
 - 10.2.1. iCloud+ feature

- 10.2.2. Private Relay helps prevent websites and network providers from creating a detailed profile about you.
- 10.2.3. When iCloud Private Relay is turned on, the traffic leaving your iPhone is encrypted and sent through two separate internet relays. This prevents websites from seeing your IP address and location and network providers from collecting your browsing activity. A website or a network provider won't simultaneously know both who you are and what websites you visit.

- 10.2.3.1. Tap Settings > *YourName* > iCloud

- 10.2.3.2. Tap Private Relay

- 10.2.3.3. Chose an IP address Location

- 10.2.3.4. Turn on Private Relay

10.3. Hide My Email

- 10.3.1. iCloud+ feature

- 10.3.2. Hide My Email generates unique, random email addresses that forward to your personal email account, so you don't have to share your real email address when filling out forms on the web or signing up for newsletters

- 10.3.2.1. Tap Settings > *YourName* > iCloud

- 10.3.2.2. Tap Hide My Email

- 10.3.2.3. Create an email address to be used with an online vendor

- 10.3.2.4. Also works in Safari when websites ask for an email address

11. Odds and Ends

11.1. FaceTime

- 11.1.1. Grid view for groups, Portrait Mode for the camera, microphone modes to minimize background noise, spatial audio so voices sound like they are coming from the person on the screen

- 11.1.2. Coming soon: SharePlay. Share music, movies, TV shows, and screens while on a FaceTime call

11.2. Messages and Shared with You

- 11.2.1. Images shared via Messages show up in the Photos app in a Shared with You section of the For You tab

- 11.2.2. Other shared items show up in Safari, Apple News, Music, Podcasts, and Apple TV
- 11.2.3. Multiple photos in Messages now appear as a collage or a stack of images that you can swipe through
- 11.3. Weather
 - 11.3.1. Fresh new look with graphical displays of weather data
 - 11.3.2. Precipitation, air quality, and temperature maps
- 11.4. Translate
 - 11.4.1. A improved app
 - 11.4.2. Select text and translate on the fly
- 11.5. Spotlight search
 - 11.5.1. Rich search results for artists, entertainers, TV shows and movies
 - 11.5.2. Search photos in Spotlight

12. Good places for help

- 12.1. Apple Support: apple.com/support/
- 12.2. Apple's iOS webpage: apple.com/ios/ios-15/
- 12.3. Get Apple's free iPhone User Guide at Book Store within Books app
- 12.4. Me: Mike Matthews mamatthews@icloud.com (925) 876-4098