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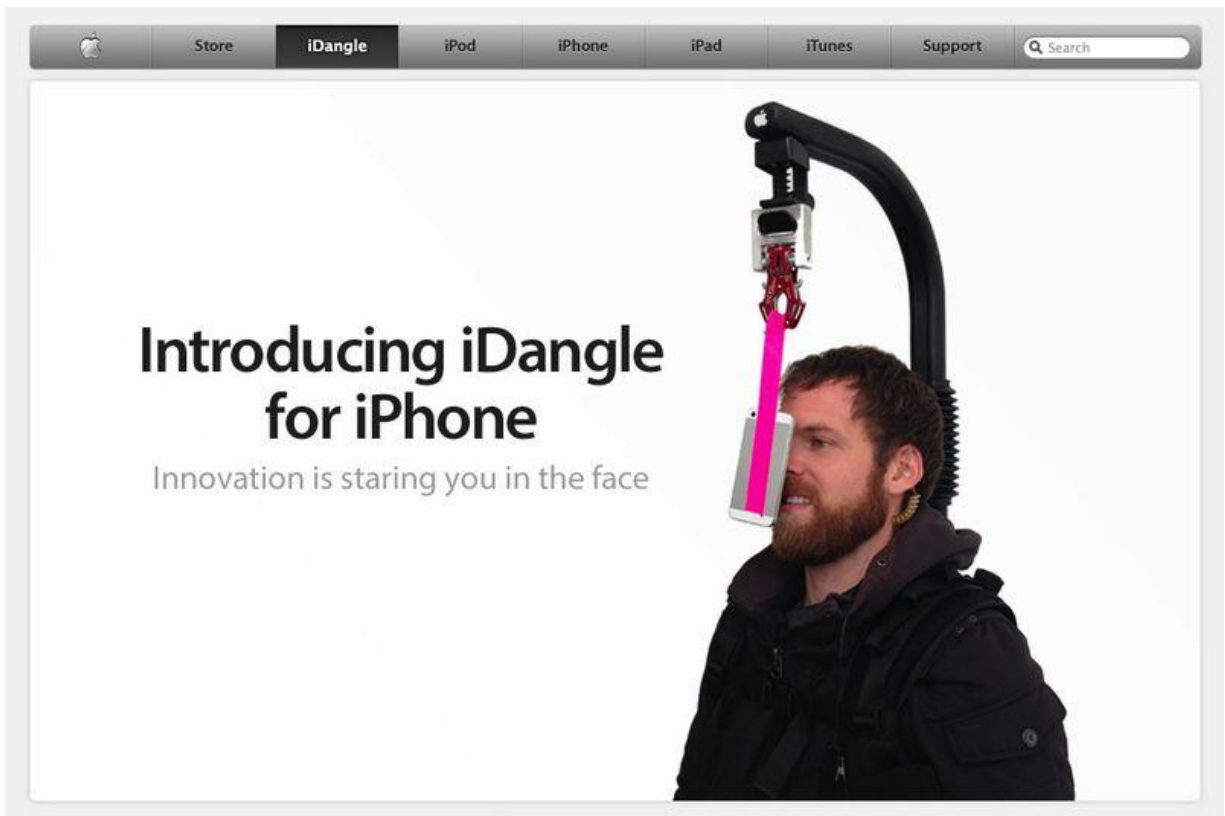


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Apple faces lawsuit over the impact of iOS 8 on device storage space

By [Joseph Keller](#), Wednesday, Dec 31, 2014 a 11:11 am EST



Apple is facing a new class-action lawsuit in California, this time from users unhappy about how much storage space [iOS 8](#) takes up on their devices. Their complaint focuses not only on newer iOS devices like the [iPhone 6](#) and [iPhone 6 Plus](#), but older devices as well.

From [SiliconBeat](#):

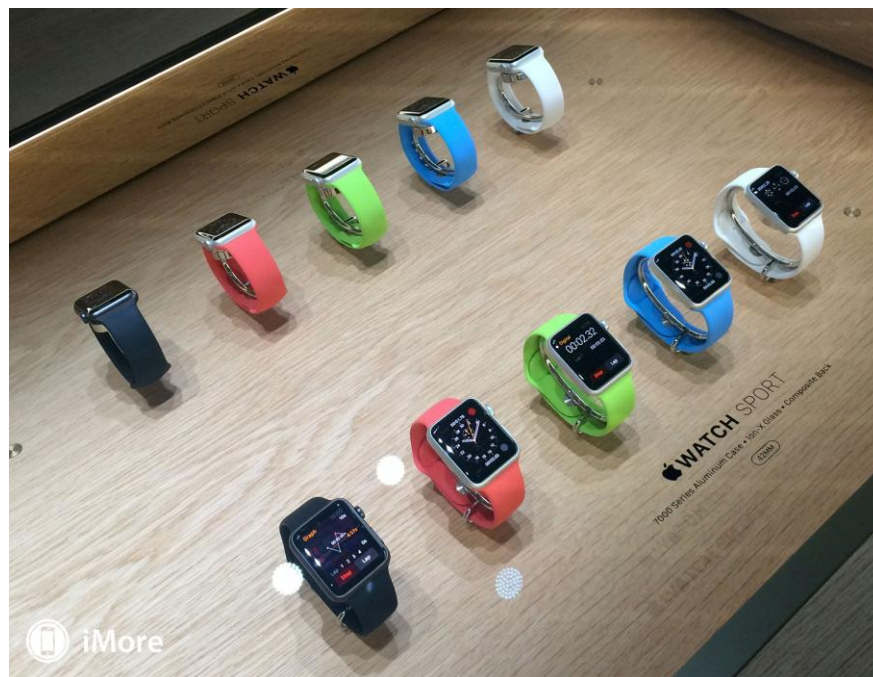
Depending on the device they purchase, consumers who install iOS 8 allegedly receive substantially less storage space than advertised, ranging from 18.1 percent for the iPhone 5s to 23.1 percent for the iPod, according to the complaint.

The plaintiffs are seeking damages from Apple, and hope to force the company to change policies regarding how users are informed about their device's storage space.

Which Apple Watch are you getting?

By [Rene Ritchie](#)

I know [why I want an Apple Watch](#) but I'm not yet sure *which* one I want. Theoretically, choosing an [Apple Watch](#) won't be any more difficult than choosing an iPhone. Right now you need to decide between 4.7 and 5.5 inches, between space gray, silver, and gold, and between a couple of materials and a bevy of colors for your case. (If you choose to buy a case.) Depending on what you choose, you can have a final look that's anything from a gray and black "Darth Vader" to a gold and brown "[Indiana Jones](#)". And the Apple Watch?



Which Apple Watch are you eyeing?

☐ Silver aluminum ☐ Space gray aluminum ☐ Stainless Steel ☐ Space black steel ☐ Yellow gold ☐ Rose gold

Well, the Apple Watch is similar, but also new. It's something that can easily be broken down into a few choices, but ones that won't be as practiced or familiar. You'll need to choose between 38 or 42mm faces, between aluminum, stainless steel, or gold materials, and between several materials and colors for your strap.

Here are all the variants [Apple](#) currently lists:

- 38mm or 42mm silver aluminum with blue, green, or pink sport band, or 38mm or 42mm space gray aluminum with black sport band.
- 38mm or 42mm stainless steel with white or black sport band, black classic buckle, Milanese loop, pink, brown or blue modern buckle, stone, blue, or brown leather loop, or link bracelet, or 38mm or 42mm space black aluminum with link bracelet.
- 38mm yellow gold with red modern buckle, 38mm or 42mm rose gold with white sport band, 38mm rose gold with rose gray modern buckle, 42mm yellow gold with black sport band, 42mm yellow gold with midnight blue classic buckle.

That might seem like a lot, but again — size, finish, and accessory.

Right now I'm trying to decide between the 42mm space gray aluminum with black sport band and the 42mm space black stainless steel with link bracelet. I know Kevin has his eye on the 42mm yellow gold with midnight blue classic buckle. I might change my mind a couple of times before the Apple Watch ships this spring. Kevin, probably not.

But it has gotten me wondering — which Apple Watch are *you* planning to get, and why?

Touch ID Not Working in Cold Weather? Here's a Fix



Many [iPhone users](#) have noticed that Touch ID becomes finicky in cold weather, often not working at all when the temperatures drop in winter. Or at least, that's what it seems like, but the real culprit is quite likely to be your skin and the effects of colder climates on fingerprints, which is what Touch ID is using to recognize and unlock your device. Fortunately, a solution to improving Touch ID recognition in colder weather is quite simple.

What you'll want to do is **add a new fingerprint to Touch ID while your hands are cold** (which usually means the skin is more dry too), matching the general conditions where Touch ID is failing on a regular basis. This is easy to do if you're in a cold climate, but a bit more challenging if you only occasionally visit a land of chilly [temps](#), like a ski resort, so you'd just want to remember to add a new fingerprint to Touch ID when in

those conditions. You can think of this as a weather dependent variation on the [reliably unlocking with Touch ID by adding the same fingerprint multiple times trick](#), which works very well to improve recognition in general.

The steps for the cold climate trick are pretty straightforward:

1. Be in an environmental condition that represents colder weather when Touch ID recognition is not working consistently or at all
2. Open the Settings [app](#) on your iPhone and go to “Touch ID & Passcode”
3. Tap on “Add a Fingerprint”
4. Add a new cold weather fingerprint to Touch ID, you may want to give it a label like “cold thumb” for easy reference – be sure to add this in addition to your primary fingerprint used to unlock the iPhone or [iPad](#)
5. Enjoy using Touch ID even in adverse weather conditions

If you have already hit your 5-finger limit in Touch ID, you’ll need to [remove one of the fingerprints](#) from the iOS device (hopefully Apple will allow additional fingerprints in the future for this climate reason alone) while you’re in Touch ID Settings.

This seems to be a really common issue for many [iPhone owners](#) who live in places with strong seasons, or even when visiting a location with dramatically different weather. Since many users setup their iPhone in a different season than when they’re experiencing the Touch ID irregularities, they often only have that single fingerprint added during the initial device setup anyway. Thus, adding the new fingerprint to Touch ID while in the alternative weather condition almost always resolves the recognition troubles in those chilly temperatures and when you have drier skin.

This apparently works in reverse too for those coming from constantly cold weather to hot temperatures, like if you were to live in the South Pole and visit Hawaii, your fingerprints and skin texture would likely change a bit and Touch ID could become unresponsive. Again, just add a new [print](#) to Touch ID, and it should work well again.

How to Permanently Remove a Photo from iPad & iPhone

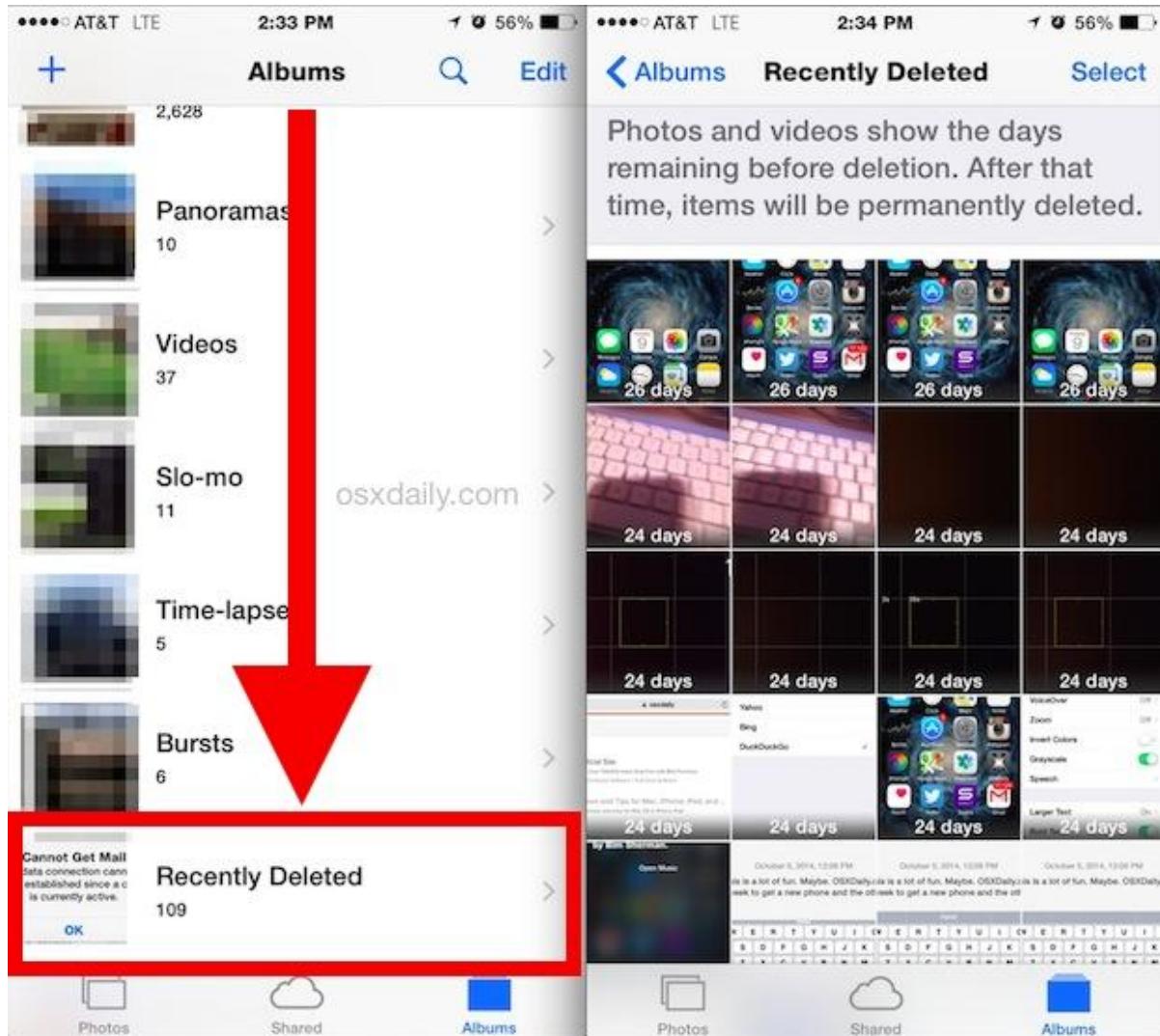


A side effect of iOS including an extraordinarily convenient way to [easily recover deleted photos](#) is that pictures are not completely removed from an iPhone or [iPad](#) immediately, at least unless the user takes specific action to delete a picture permanently. That’s what we’re going to cover here, so that if you have a photo or many, or a [video](#), that you want to permanently delete instantly, you won’t have to wait for the automatic removal process to complete itself over the course of 30 days (which is how deleting videos / photos works in iOS now, thus allowing for the [recovery feature](#)).

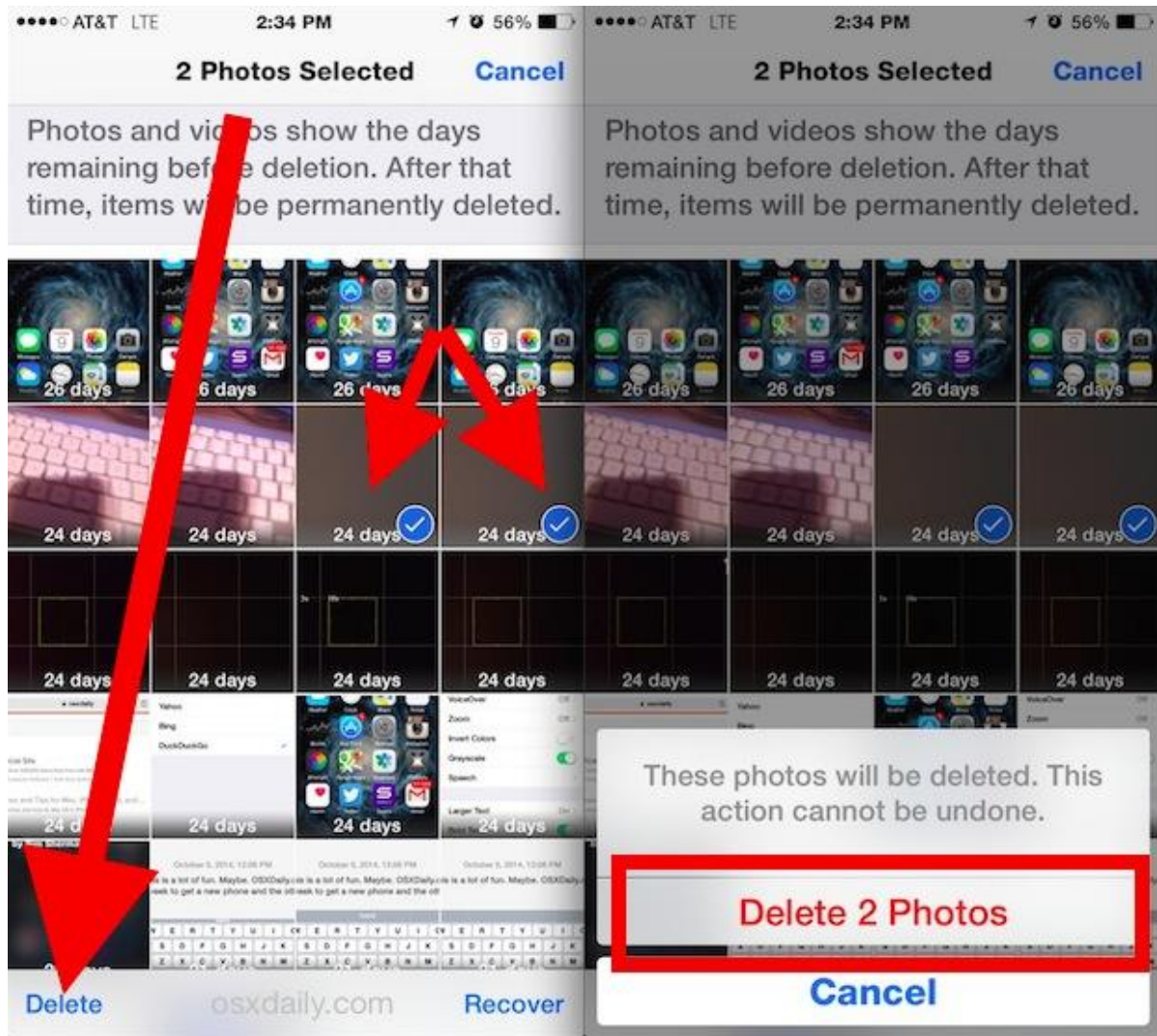
Permanently Delete a Photo or Video from iOS Instantly

This requires iOS 8 or newer, prior versions of iOS do not have this feature:

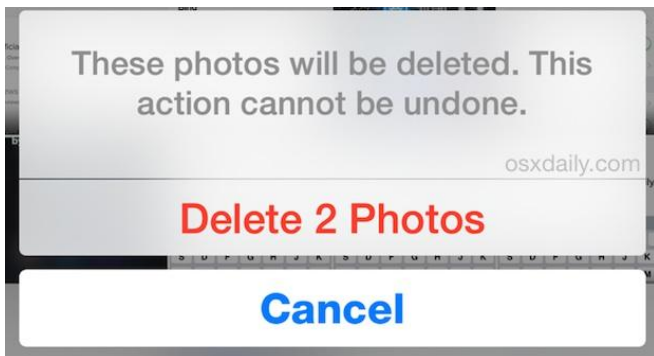
1. Delete a picture (or pictures) as usual from the Photos [app](#) of iOS – this part is the same
2. Now go to the Photos app Albums view, and choose “Recently Deleted” – this is the album that allows you to [recover photos](#) that were accidentally removed or that you changed your mind about



3. Use either of the following tricks to instantly delete the photo(s) in question:
 - Delete a single picture by tapping on it, then tapping the “Delete” button
 - Delete multiple photos by choosing the “Select” button, tapping on each specific photo to instantly delete, and then tapping the “Delete” button



4. Confirm that you want to permanently delete a photo by choosing "Delete Photo"



To be completely clear, this simply skips the waiting period to permanently remove the photo from the iOS device. If you [delete photos](#) the normal way in iOS it will still remove itself from the device, and it will still be deleted, it's just that in modern versions of iOS, that removal process takes place over time so that you can optionally recover accidentally deleted pictures and videos from an iPhone, iPad, or [iPod touch](#). Make sense?

Yes it's a little confusing, but the ability to recover pictures and video you didn't mean to delete, or changed your mind about, is why this is the way it is, so while some users may think it's frustrating to have to go through some added steps to instantly delete a photo immediately, the benefits of recovering other pictures without having to [use more complex iPhone photo recovery methods](#) greatly outweighs any potential frustration

offered by this.

It's worth mentioning that you can permanently and instantly remove huge swaths of pictures by using this trick if you're low on iOS space and want to clear some up immediately. For example, if you use the [bulk removal date trick to trash tons of iPhone photos at once](#), it's just a matter of using the select option and choosing all those same photos to delete now, rather than waiting for the 30 day period to remove them, or for [storage](#) to get so low that they are deleted by cleanup. Yes, the iOS cleanup process will go ahead and start deleting pictures that are in that waiting process if total device [storage capacity](#) is low anyway, but this means if you felt the need to, you can intervene and do it yourself instantly too.

iPhone or iPad Not Charging? Pocket Crud Could Be Jamming the Port

If you've ever gone to plug in your iPhone or iPad and noticed that it's not charging as it's supposed to be, you might want to check the device's Lightning port. That's because the little charger port on the bottom can be a trap for pocket gunk, and even fairly small pieces of lint or sediment can prevent the device from charging as intended.

The simplest way to check this is to flip your iPhone or iPad so that you can look at the bottom of the device, if you see anything at all in the Lightning port, that's probably the culprit preventing the charge. You'll want to grab something like a wooden or plastic tooth pick to get the object out, but you may have luck with a tiny brush or other object as well – just make sure it's not metal and that it's not wet.



Once you've cleaned out the port, try plugging it back in again. It should work. If you're still having problems, it could be due to a badly frayed USB cable, which is always quite obvious, or a shoddy third party cable that is unsupported by Apple.



I ran into this recently on my iPhone and discovered a piece of pine needle wrapped in pocket lint with a tiny pebble stuck in Lightning port, it was preventing the Lightning cable from making a complete connection, though it sure looked and felt like it went in all the way. After searching around to see if this was a common issue, I discovered [CNet](#) also offered the same advice, so it's definitely fairly common.

For what it's worth, a similar trick can be helpful when trying to figure out why headphones aren't working, or if your iOS device gets [stuck in headphone mode](#). Check for pocket lint, it's the most likely culprit.

Of course, if the device won't charge and it also [won't turn on at all](#), you may have a bigger problem, like a dead device. For diagnosing that issue, you'd be best off taking it to an Apple Store or Apple Support channel.

What To Do If You Can Not Remember an Apple ID or Password



Forgetting the login and password to an [Apple ID](#) is not the best feeling in the world, particularly given how integral an Apple login is to the broader iOS and [OS X](#) experience. So, if you or someone else happens to forget an Apple ID or the password to an Apple account, what should you do? First, don't freak out, we're human and this stuff happens. Apple provides multiple ways to recover a forgotten ID login or password, and you can start the recovery process either directly on an iPhone, iPad, or [iPod](#) touch, Mac, Windows PC, or just about anything with a web browser.

The different processes described below will work to recover a forgotten Apple ID (meaning the [email](#) address used to login), and/or reset a forgotten Apple ID password. This can be particularly helpful if you're setting up a [new device](#) for yourself or someone else, switching a device to a [credit card-free ID](#), or [changing the Apple ID associated with a device](#), and you can't remember the pertinent login information, or if your email changed at some point and you didn't update your Apple details to go along with it.

Before anything else, know that you can [always contact Apple support directly here](#) if you want assistance through official channels to regain account access, which may be the best option for users who are overwhelmed or confused.

Recover or Reset Forgotten Apple ID or Password on iPhone & iPad

This is all done on an iOS device and is often the simplest way to log back into an Apple account:

1. Open the Settings app and scroll down and tap on “iCloud”
2. Tap on the email address at the very top of the iCloud settings screen
3. Tap on the blue text underneath the password entry that says “Forgot Apple ID or Password?” where you’ll have two choices:
 - If you know your Apple ID and don’t remember the password, type in your email address and click “Next” to start the reset process
 - If you don’t know your Apple ID, tap on “Forgot your Apple ID?” and fill out your full name and email address to recover the Apple ID login (yes, you can then do the password reset after you have [the Apple ID](#))
4. Answer the [security questions](#) pertaining to that Apple ID, and follow the onscreen directions to complete the process

At this point you should be good to go, you can reset the password for the account and then login as usual.

What if this doesn’t work, or what if it doesn’t find your Apple ID? You can try one of the next two options:

Find a Forgotten Apple ID by Email or Old Email Address

This is a more advanced trick to search [multiple email](#) addresses, which is incredibly helpful if you switched [email accounts](#) at some point in time and that’s what has caused the login problem. This can be done with any web browser in iOS, OS X, or Windows:

1. Open the web browser of choice and [go to this Apple iForgot website](#) (creative name, eh?)
2. Enter the first and last name associated with the Apple ID, your current email address, and any and all prior email addresses to start the reset process
3. Answer the security questions associated with the user to complete the reset process

This will help to find the Apple ID, but if you can’t recall the password to that ID then you’d need to go to the next step as well.

Reset an Apple ID Password from the Web

You can also start the password reset process from the [official Apple](#) ID website, this also can be done any device as long as you have a web browser:

1. [Go to this Apple ID site](#) and under “Manage your Apple ID” choose the “Reset your password” option
2. Enter the email address associated with the account and answer the security questions as usual to complete the password reset process

Finally, if you’re completely stuck, you’re annoyed, confused, or none of the above has worked, you can [contact Apple directly about your account](#) and in many situations they can help you to regain access again.

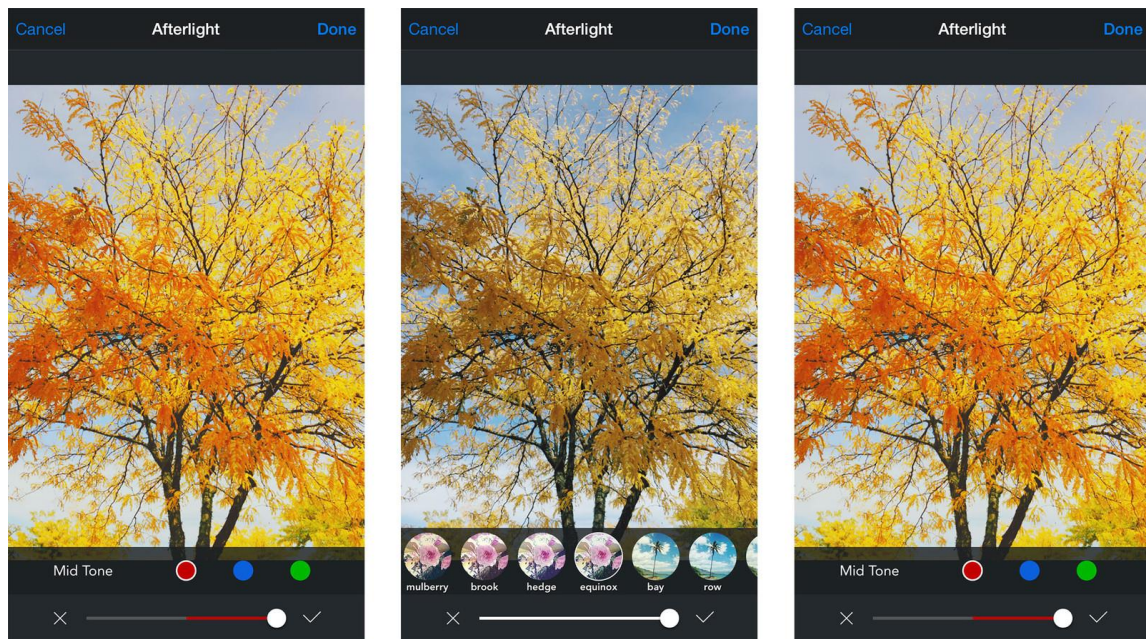
Information About the iDevice Cameras and The Photos App

Best photo extension apps for iPhone: All your edits and filters in one place!

By [Allyson Kazmucha](#)

[iOS 8](#) added a new photo extension feature that lets you access lots of your favorite edits right inside the Photos app. That means you can not only correct red eye but add your favorite filters, apply text overlays, and lots more all in one place. Lots of photography apps have updated to support photo extensions but if you're only concerned with the [best iPhone apps](#), these are the ones you should check out right now!

Afterlight

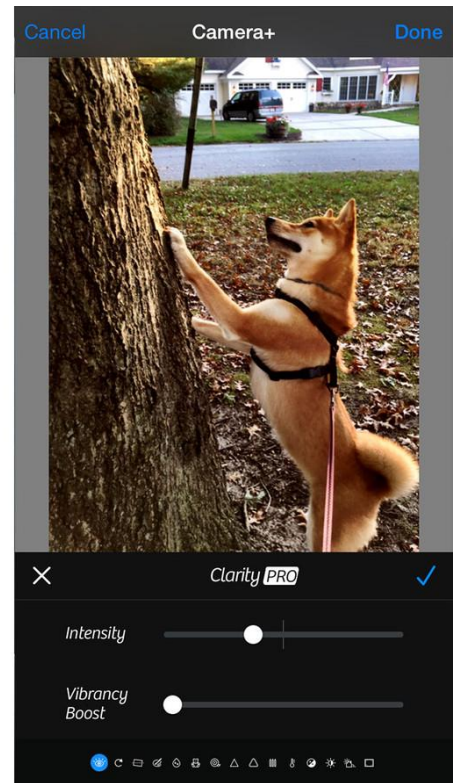


Afterlight features not only filters, but lots of correction tools and textures that you can add to your photos. And with the most recent update, pretty much every tool Afterlight offers in their app is now available inside the Photos app itself. For anyone whose ever used Afterlight, you understand how much power that puts at your fingertips. Adjust highlights, midtones, saturation, and so much more. Combine the power of Afterlight with iOS' native correction tools and the possibilities are limitless.

For adjustment tools and filters that are just as easy to use as they are powerful, look no further than Afterlight.

- \$0.99 - [Download Now](#)

Camera+

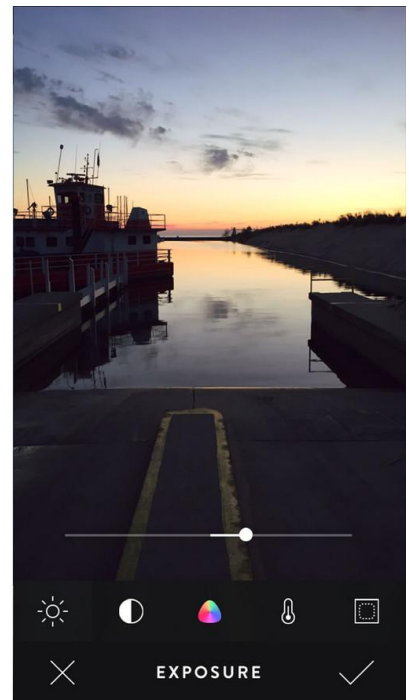
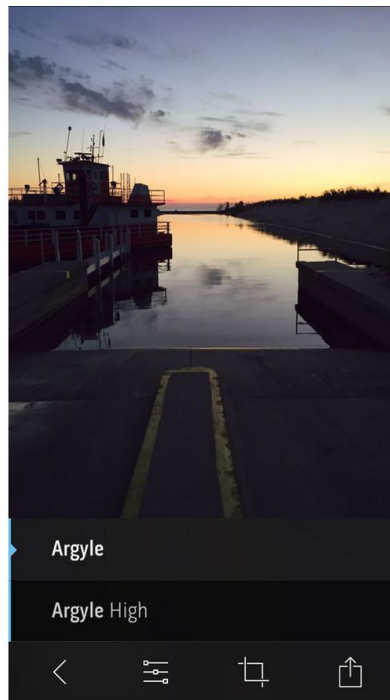
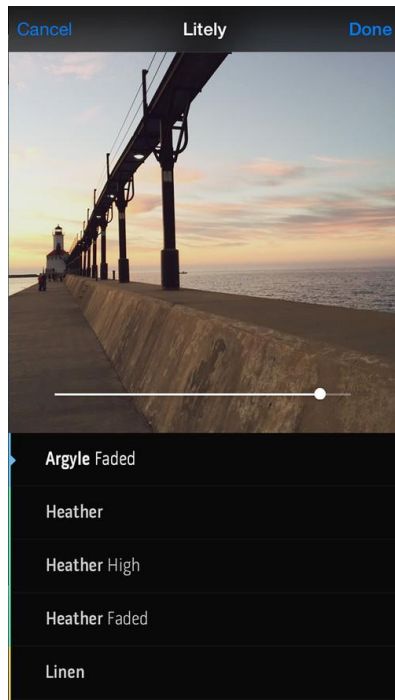


Camera+ is one of our [favorite replacement camera apps](#) for iPhone. Partly because it has such great editing tools to go along with it. Now those tools are available right inside the Photos app through photo extensions. Choose from lots of different presets or manually edit your photos to get just the right result you want. The Clarity HD feature also gives your photos a nice punch that really makes them stand out. My favorite part about Camera+ extensions and the app itself is that it's easy enough for anyone to use but packs a lot of features for advanced users too.

For an all in one photo editing, extensions sharing, camera replacement app, Camera+ is best in class.

- \$2.99 - [Download Now](#)

Litely

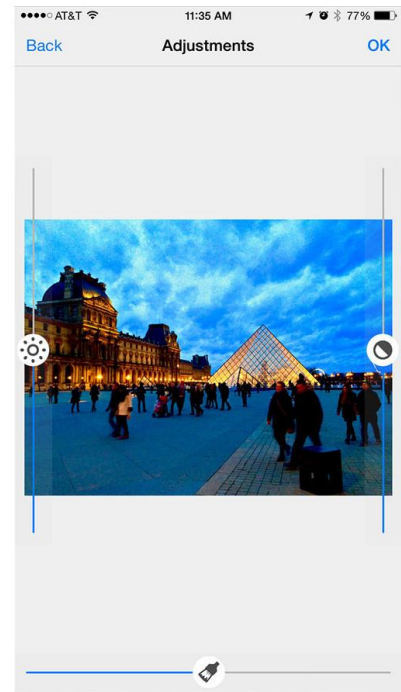
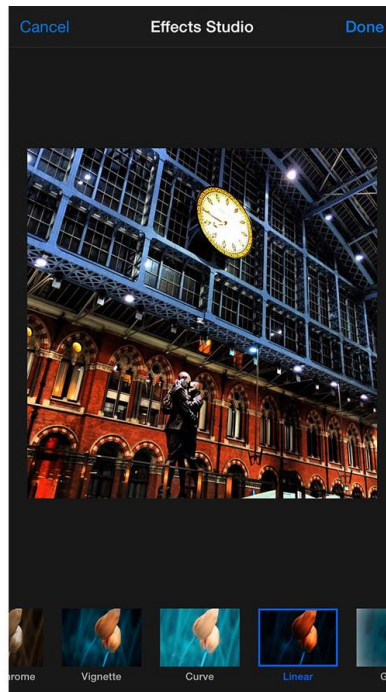
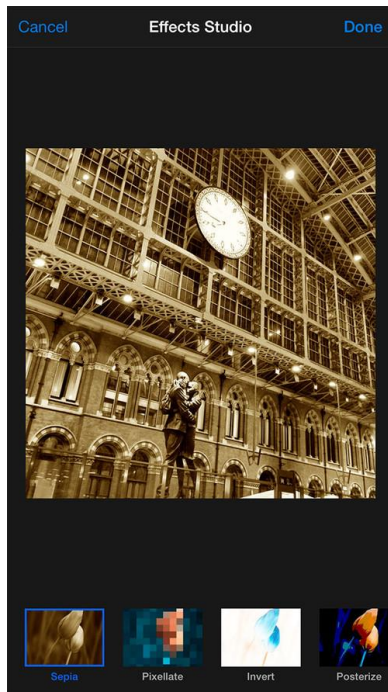


Litely has some of the best subtle filters that enhance your photos rather than change them completely. Not only can you access them all inside the Photos app now, you can also hop into the Litely app when you want a better idea of how filters impact your photos in order to see split screen views, crop however you'd like and even more.

If you want a selection of tasteful filters that aren't overdone right at your fingertips, get Litely.

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Effects Studio

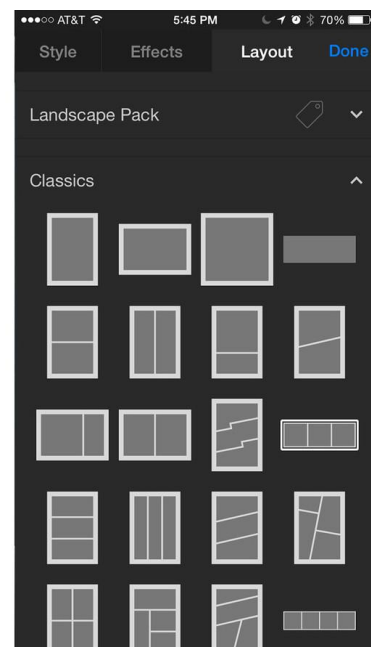
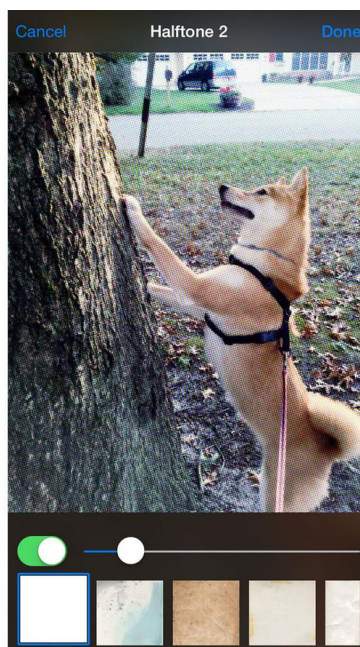


Effects Studio lets you overlay images on top of other preset images to create something unique. As for photo extensions, Effects Studio offers quite a few filters through the Photos app that are as simple to use as tap and apply. The layout of the actual app is quite different from other photos apps and is simple to use. The filters and overlays can be as dramatic or as subtle as you'd like them to be, which makes Effects Studio a versatile choice.

If you fancy image overlays and want a better filter selection via photo extensions, check out Effects Studio.

- ~~\$1.99~~, On sale for \$0.99 - [Download Now](#)

Halftone 2

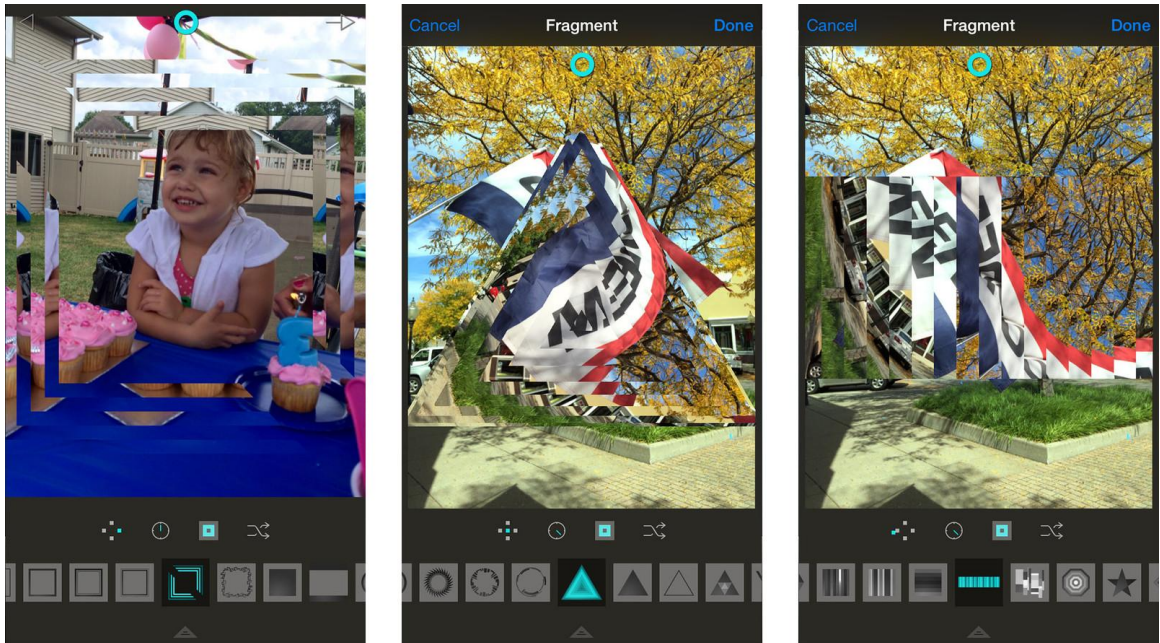


Halftone 2 lets you turn your photos into comic book pages in just seconds, and can you honestly tell me anything that's more fun than turning your dog into a superhero? Yeah, I didn't think so. Right now only filter support is available via extensions, which means you can add all kinds of textures and overlays. However, if you want to add captions and multiple images per page, you'll need to switch over to using the dedicated Halftone 2 app itself.

If comic book filters are your thing, you'll love the photo filter extensions available via Halftone 2.

- \$1.99 - [Download Now](#)

Fragment

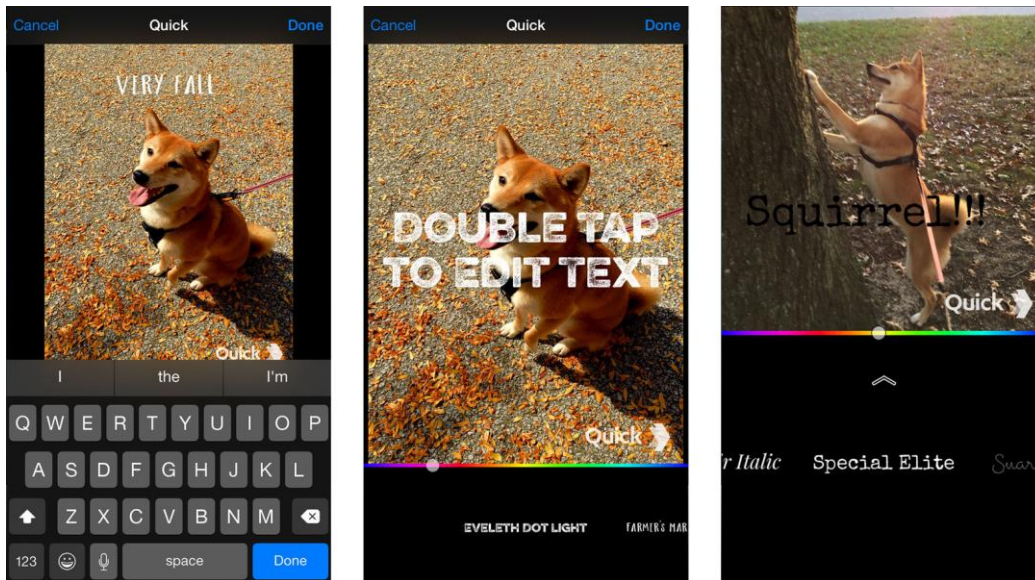


Fragment can add a unique twist, turn, and shuffle to any photo. You can choose between tons of different kinds of effects both inside the Fragment app and via photo extensions in the Photos app. You can even add one effect and then overlay others if you'd like. Once you're happy with the array of prisms that you've chosen, you're good to go, or you can of course use other photo extensions to edit even further.

If you like textures and architecture, Fragment is definitely a photo editing app you want to have in your arsenal.

- \$1.99 - [Download Now](#)

Quick



Quick lets you add text to your photos, which basically means on the go memes. You can choose between several different types of fonts and even purchase more via in-app purchase if you'd like. You'll also need to pay for premium via in-app purchase if you'd like to remove the quick watermark. Regardless of premium status, you'll have access to all of Quick's tools inside the Photos app itself which makes for a great way to add text in a pinch.

If you need to add text to photos often, Quick lets you do it without ever leaving the Photos app.



How to record video from your iPhone onto your Mac

By [Peter Cohen](#), Thursday, Jan 8,



Want to create an iPhone or iPad tutorial for someone, record a game level walk through or something else? It's easier than you think if you have [OS X Yosemite](#) installed — you don't need any third-party apps installed. Here's how.

The secret is the QuickTime Player application in your Mac's Applications folder. QuickTime Player doesn't just play videos — it also records video and audio. And with OS X Yosemite, it can recognize the output of iOS devices connected to the Mac using USB.

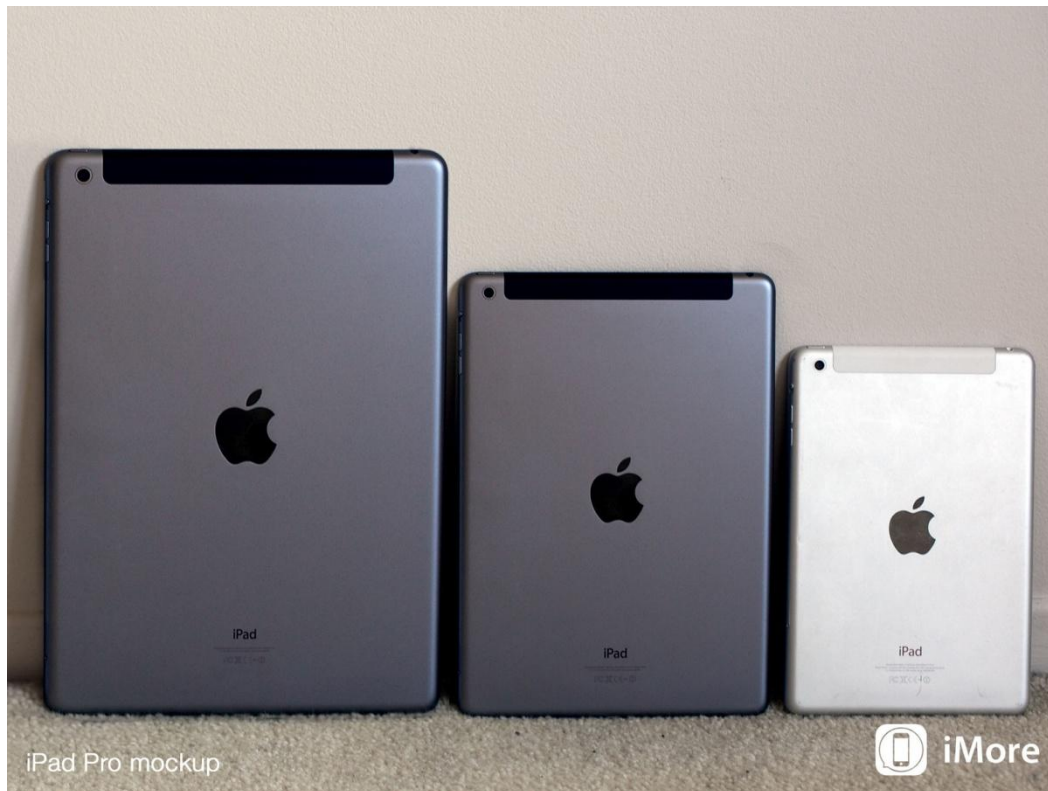
Before we get started, let's check the list of equipment you'll need:

- A Mac running OS X Yosemite.
- An iOS device running iOS 8 — iPhone, iPad, iPod touch will all work.
- A Lightning cable (sorry, this won't work with 30-pin dock connector-equipped devices).

To record your iPhone, iPad or iPod touch on your Mac

1. Connect the iOS device to your Mac using the Lightning cable.
2. Open the **Applications** folder.
3. Double-click on **QuickTime Player**.
4. Click on the **File** menu.
5. Select **New Movie Recording**.
6. Click on the downward-facing arrow to the right of the record button.
7. Under **Camera**, select the name of your iOS device.
8. If you wish to record audio from the device, select its name in the **Audio** source list.
9. Click on the red record button to begin recording video from your iPhone

iPad Air Plus rumored for first half of 2015




The bigger than big iPad is once again being rumored, this time under the name [iPad Air Plus](#), with a display size of 12.2 inches, an Apple A9 [processor](#), and a shipping date of either April or June 2015. The report comes from Japanese magazine *Mac Fun*, and was posted online by [Macotakara](#):

According to Mac Fan's report, iPad Air Plus will be 305.31 x 220.8 x 7mm in size, and be powered with A9 processor, and be shipped between April to June 2015. And, iPad Air Plus will have four built in speakers on each edge of case, in order to play stereo sound, even if iPad rotated.

Mac Fan also claims a new iPad mini 4 will be coming next year with an Apple

A8X processor, and will replace both the iPad mini and iPad mini 2.

While Mac Fan has provided accurate information in the past, it's important to remember that these are still rumors and should be treated more like **entertainment**  than news.

Source: Macotakara



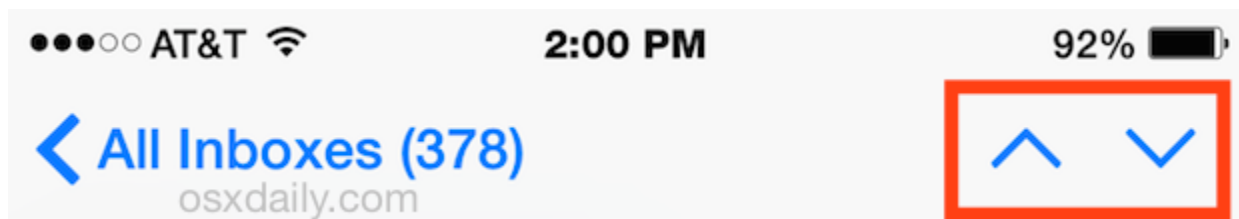
A Quick & Easy Email Navigation Trick All iPhone Users Should Know



While it's increasingly common to get overwhelmed in the ocean of emails, the [Mail app](#) in iOS includes a really great feature to help you quickly navigate between and scan through tons of [emails](#) very quickly. The navigation feature is prominent in the [Mail](#) app, and though many users will know about this already, it seems to be vastly underused and often outright unknown by plenty of other [iPhone owners](#). It's too useful to not point out, so we're going to show you the quickest possible way to move between emails on the [iPhone Mail](#) app.

As mentioned, navigation is a very prominent feature in Mail app: it's those little arrow icons in the corner of an open email message on your [iPhone screen](#).

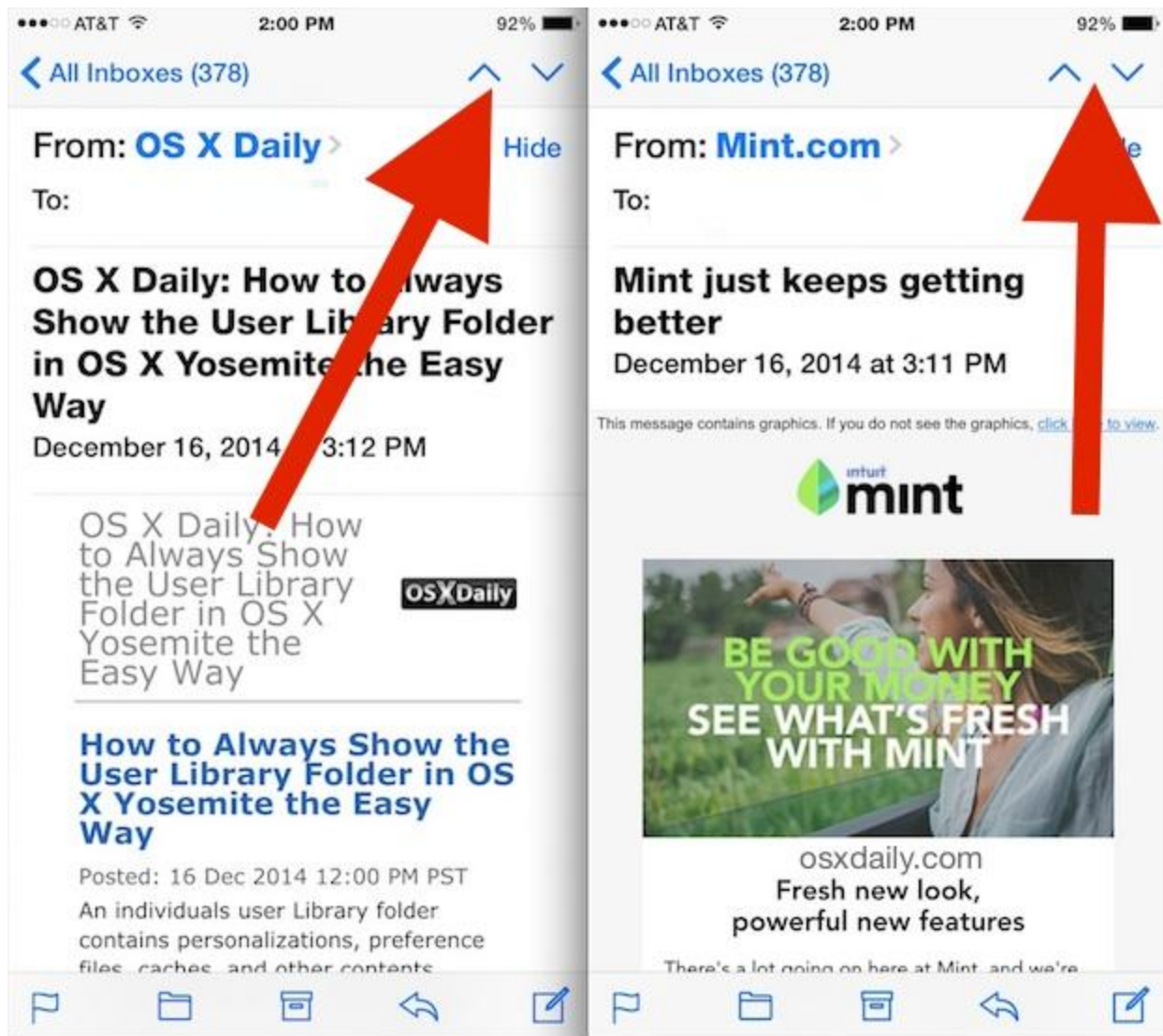
The downward pointing arrow can be thought of like a Previous button, whereas the upward pointing arrow can be thought of as a Next button. This is what we're talking about specifically, if, like many other iOS users, you have overlooked the arrow buttons:



You just need to tap on either of those arrows to navigate forward and back within your email. This is a piece of cake to try yourself:

1. From the Mail app as usual, and then open the topmost email (you can open any email message, but the most recent message often works best)
2. Use the Up and Down arrows at the top corner of the Mail app screen to move back and forth between the previous and next emails in the inbox

Super easy and very fast, right? This basically prevents you from having to go back to the original inbox and then tapping onto a new message. Instead, the next (or prior) message just loads instantly on screen.







You can use this to quickly scan through tons of emails on an iPhone using the navigation buttons, each email that is opened for a moment is then marked as read, which can really help cut down on email overload if you want to actually review stuff rather than just calling it quits and [marking everything as read](#).

With something so easy and with the buttons basically right in front of everyone's face when an email message is open on an iPhone, it makes you wonder why this is not well known. Perhaps the arrows are too subtle looking, because after showing this to a friend recently (who was annoyed with tapping back to the Mail inbox and then tapping on a new email repeatedly), they said they had never even noticed the little arrow icons in the Mail screen. Even when a user has [the Show Button Shapes feature enabled in iOS](#) to make tap targets more noticeable, the arrow icons aren't highlighted or obviously indicated as a button. Another potential point of confusion is that users coming from the Gmail for [iPhone app](#) have a very similar arrow button in the corner of an email message, except that in Gmail app it summons a pulldown [menu](#) of additional mail options and isn't used for navigation at all. So whether it's just overlooking the feature, or confusion on what it does, it's probably less used than it should be. At the very least, you should know it exists and that works remarkably well to skim through tons of emails on the iOS Mail app.

To be clear, this speedy email navigation trick is not limited to the iPhone, it's just likely to be most useful in the single-pane Mail app view of iPhone and iPod touch. The larger screen and dual pane Mail screens on [iPad](#) and iPhone Plus will still have the next / previous buttons, however.

Free Reference Materials For your iDevices

Apple iPhone User Guide	Apple iPad User guide	Apple Support Pages	Apple iCloud
			
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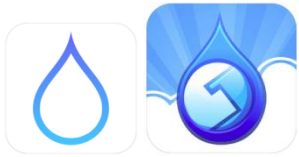
Apps That Might Be of Interest



mTube: Free Video HD, iDownloader & Video Streaming

Keep your favorite videos always at hand and watch them whenever and wherever you like.

mTUBE allows you to easily save iOS supported videos websites that allow legal video save and then organize and play videos offline.



Gismeteo and Gismeto Lite

official application from Gismeteo weather forecasting service. Now you have an ability to get accurate weather forecast at almost any place of Earth!



Water Tracker Hydration Reminder - iHydrate

Water is so critical to your health, we've created this easy, intuitive app to help you track your water intake.

**The next meeting will be on
Wednesday, February 11, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.**

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