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Iphone vs Palm Pre

Three Iphone engineers and three Palm Pre engineers are about to board a train to a computer conference. The Palm Pre engineers notice that the Iphone engineers bought only one ticket between them. The Palm Pre engineers ask the Iphone engineers how they plan on getting to the conference. "Watch and learn," one of the Iphone engineers tells them.

As soon as the train leaves the station, the three Iphone engineers rush from their seats and all squeeze into one restroom. When the conductor comes through the car he knocks on the restroom door and says "ticket please!" The door opens a crack and the one ticket is handed to the conductor. The Palm Pre engineers are impressed, and decide that's what they will do on the trip back.

Then on the return trip, the Palm Pre engineers notice that the Iphone engineers haven't bought any tickets. "How do you plan on getting home without any tickets?" they ask. "Watch and learn," one of the Iphone engineers tells them.

As soon as the train leaves the station, the three Palm Pre engineers hurry for the restroom. A few moments later, one of the Iphone engineers gets up from his seat, knocks on the restroom door and says, "ticket please!"

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iOS 4.3 Just Released for iPad, iPhone and iPod Touch

iOS 4.3 Software Update

The world's most advanced mobile operating system just keeps getting better. The free iOS 4.3 Software Update comes with new features that let you do even more with your iPhone, iPad, and iPod touch.



Apple has just released the latest version of its operating software for iPad, iPhone and iPod, iOS 4.3. Its launch was originally set for this Friday when iPad 2 goes on sale.

iOS 4.3 comes with several new updates and improvements. Javascript in the Safari web browser is now faster. A "Personal Hotspot" is now possible in conjunction with iPhone4 using AT&T, but you must purchase a tethering plan. **iPad** users can take advantage of a 3G connection by being wirelessly connected to iPhone 4. This feature has been available between iPhones and **iPads** that are jailbroken, but now Apple has sanctioned its use in iOS 43

Users can also now take advantage of iTunes Home Sharing, enjoying shared iTunes content over Wi-Fi. Music and movies can be streamed from a Mac or PC to an iOS device through a local wireless network.

Third-party applications also get support for AirPlay. You can stream audio and video to Apple TV, or audio to AirPort Express. Photos and videos can also be shared.

iOS 4.3 announced, different features for different devices

by Kelly Guimont (RSS feed) on Mar 2nd, 2011

Today at the live event, which our own Medical Leave Steve showed up to host, we got a peek at the pending version of iOS 4.3. This will be out on March 11, along with the next generation iPad, also announced at today's event. At first glance, the important differences depend on which iThing you're actually running it on.

First and foremost to iPad owners is the following: a rollback of the switch function! Now you will get the option of what that little flippy switch controls: orientation lock or mute.



The iOS 4.3 Software Update is coming soon.

There is also a marked improvement in iOS 4.3 if you have a GSM iPhone: Personal Hotspots are now an option! There's no question there will be a charge for this, but at least it will appear sooner than later.

Now for the things that are improvements for all devices that will run iOS 4.3: AirPlay will now let you stream from your photo library as a slide show, from App Store apps, and even websites.

Also for everyone is a notable update to Safari. Now the Nitro Java Script engine will power Safari, making mobile web surfing a little perkier as well.

NOTE: This update is for iPad, iPod touch gens 3 and 4, and ONLY the GSM iPhone. Those shiny new Verizon iPhones will just have to wait.

Wall Street Journal backs up "iPhone nano" rumor

by Josh Helfferich (RSS feed) on Feb 13th, 2011

We may be in for quite the shakeup of the iOS world if Ethan Smith's new article in the Wall Street Journal has any weight to it. Smith makes some pretty bold claims about a new, less-expensive iPhone, which he states has an edge-to-edge screen and weighs quite a bit less than the current iPhone 4.

This lines up pretty well with a lot of the "iPhone nano" rumors that we've been seeing for years, and it's certainly intriguing to see the Wall Street Journal putting its stamp on the story.

Presumably, this smaller iPhone would behave more like a data "access point" than a place to store all of your music, movies and books. Those, says Smith, could be managed by Apple's MobileMe service (which would be turning into a free cloud computing service alongside the launch of the new phone), therefore eliminating the need for large amounts of



storage space on the actual device. How well this would work is a topic still up for debate, but you know how it goes: Apple always finds a way.

I suppose we'll just have to wait and see what Jobs (or Cook) has up his sleeve in the coming months. The WSI article hints at a summer release for both the micro phone and the revamped MobileMe service.

35 Most Popular Email Tips For Your Devices

How To Transfer Or Migrate iTunes Library To New Directory Or External Hard Disk

http://www.mydigitallife.info/2011/02/27/how-to-transfer-or-migrate-itunes-library-to-new-directory-or-hard-disk/

As you can synchronize media contents between your iOS devices with PC using iTunes and just in case you want to migrate or transfer its contents from original iTunes library into any new directories or even external storage to due to certain reason, here are some simple steps that you can follow to get it done without much complicated effort.

Follow below steps to get it done:

- 1. First, launch iTunes and go to Edit -> Preferences.
- Then click on Advanced tab and once in the submenu, choose 'Keep iTunes media folder organized' that will place files into album or artist folders and name the files based on disc, track number and song titles.
- On the top right area of the text book, click on 'Change' and browse to a new directory on where you want to transfer all the iTunes library. Click 'OK' to save the changes.
- Then, go to File -> Library -> Organize Library, tick on 'Consolidate files' that will put copies of all media files in iTunes
 media folder while still leaving the original files in their current locations.

5.	The transfer will	start and onc	e completed, ju	st delete all th	e media files in	original directory a	nd you are done.

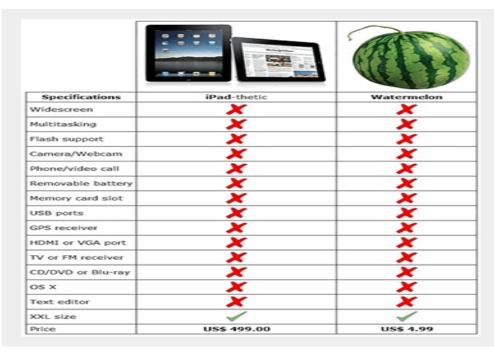
Hopefully this will be able to conserve some of your hard disk space by transferring media files in iTunes library from local to external storage or simply want to do housekeeping on your local hard disk drive.

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What about the iPad???

iPad vs Watermelon



The new iPad.

Now with over 300 cameras.







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iPad 2

Thinner. Lighter. Faster. FaceTime. Smart Covers. 10-hour battery.

Coming March 11. Starting at \$499.



Apple has just made its second-generation iPad official! It features a 1GHz dual-core A5 chip and, finally, cameras, both front and rear! The new CPU is said to be up to twice as fast, with graphics performance up to nine times better than on the original iPad, while power requirements have been kept the same. Battery life is, consequently, unaltered, with Apple promising 10 hours. Pricing, too, has been left unchanged, starting at \$499. The new tablet will come with an HDMI output capable of 1080p -- which will set you back \$39 for the requisite dongle -- but we've yet to hear any rumblings of Thunderbolt connectivity. There's an enlarged speaker grille on the back, as expected, though resolution has not budged from the original iPad's 1024 x 768.

iPad 2 Specifications_(click for information)

Apple's new Digital AV Adapter: what it will and won't do

by Kelly Hodgkins (RSS feed) on Mar 2nd, 2011

Apple introduced the iPad 2 today and along with it rolled out a few new accessories to accompany its new tablet. One new cable to hit the retail shelves is the Digital AV adapter, which can be used to pipe content from your iOS device to your TV. Not just iPad 2-specific, the adapter is compatible with the iPhone 4, the original iPad and the 4th generation iPod touch (although it is somewhat limited on those devices, see below).

One side of the adapter plugs into the 30pin connector on your iOS device while the
other connects to an HDMI cable attached to
your HDTV. Right next to the HDMI plug is a
second 30-pin connector that lets you
charge your iOS device while you are
connected to your TV. When you purchase
the adapter, don't forget to have a spare
HDMI cable as the adapter is packaged alone in its box.



Before you grab one of these adapters, take note that there is a major difference in functionality between the iPad 2 and the older iOS devices. The iPad 2 is the only device that supports mirroring and 1080p HD. With the second generation tablet, you can send your apps, presentations, websites and more to your HDTV in full HD. The only exception is movies, which are streamed at 720p. The iPhone 4, iPod touch 4th gen and iPad will only push over 720p-quality slideshows and movies. The adapter will also send over digital audio to TVs that support this feature.

The Digital AV adapter will be available for US\$40 from the Apple online store and in Apple retail stores when the iPad 2 becomes available on March 11.

The iPad Smart Cover protects your iPad without adding bulk to its thin, light design.







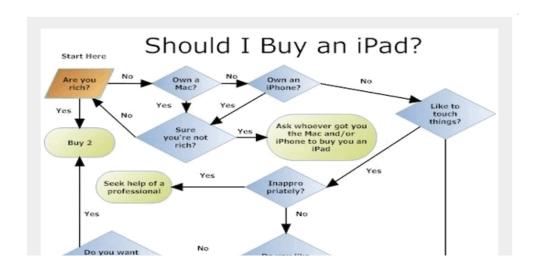


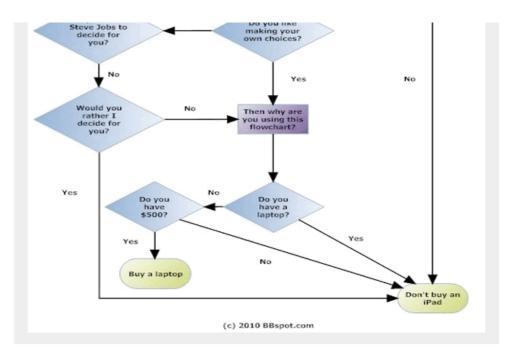


Apple also is introducing 2 new software apps:

http://www.appleinsider.com/articles/11/03/02/apple_shows_off_imovie_garageband_for_ipad_2
The speculation is that it will also have the same amount of RAM as the iPhone 4: 512MB

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So, the question is:

Will we see you standing in line for the new iPad2 this Friday at 5:00???

iPad Teardown Reveals



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Time for questions, observations and special apps from the audience

The next meeting is on Wednesday, April 13, 2011

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