



# Apple How to download iOS 26

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## Learn how to download iOS 26.



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### Check compatibility

You will only see updates that are compatible with your current software version. If you have not downloaded the most current release, you will not see the option to install the latest release.

iOS 26 is compatible with the following iPhone models:

- iPhone 17
- iPhone 17 Pro
- iPhone 17 Pro Max
- iPhone Air
- iPhone 16e
- iPhone 16
- iPhone 16 Plus
- iPhone 16 Pro
- iPhone 16 Pro Max
- iPhone 15
- iPhone 15 Plus
- iPhone 15 Pro
- iPhone 15 Pro Max
- iPhone 14
- iPhone 14 Plus

- iPhone 14 Pro
- iPhone 14 Pro Max
- iPhone 13
- iPhone 13 mini
- iPhone 13 Pro
- iPhone 13 Pro Max
- iPhone 12
- iPhone 12 mini
- iPhone 12 Pro
- iPhone 12 Pro Max
- iPhone 11
- iPhone 11 Pro
- iPhone 11 Pro Max
- iPhone SE (2nd generation and later)

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## **Download iOS 26**

You can set up your iPhone to install system software and updates automatically, or you can check for updates manually in the Software Update settings.

### **Turn on automatic updates**

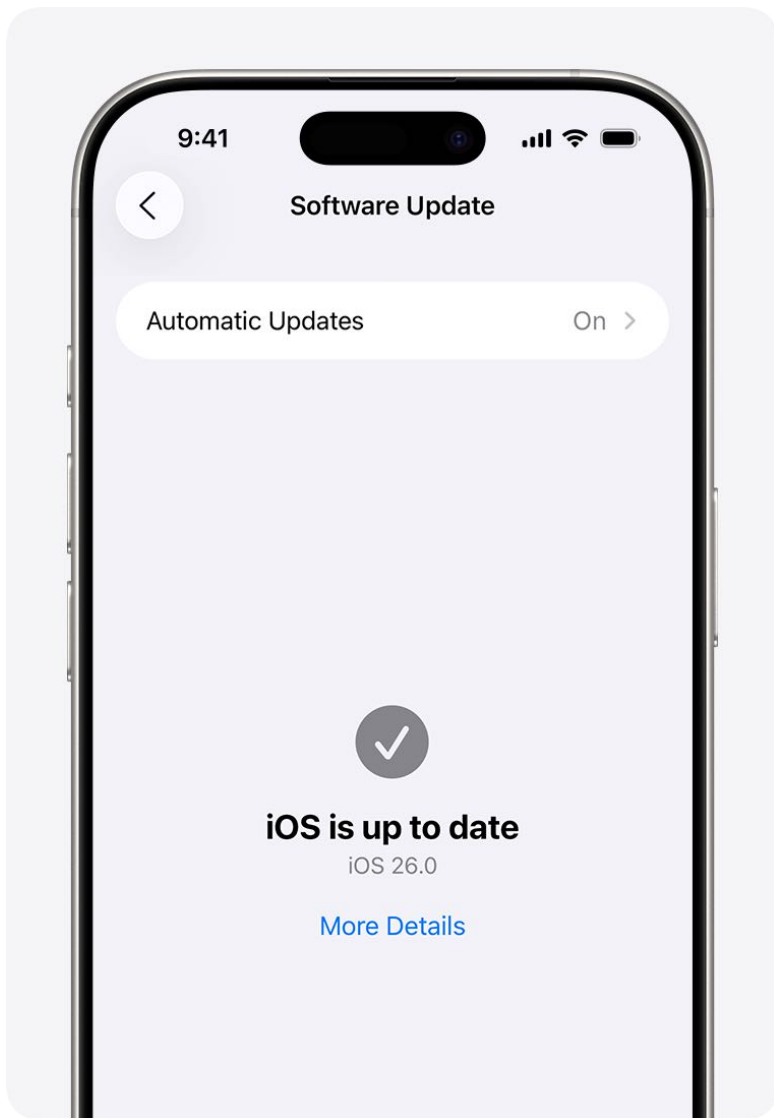
1. Open Settings.
2. Tap General.
3. Tap Software Update.
4. Tap Automatic Updates.
5. Choose one of the following options:
  - **Automatically Install:** When an update is available, iPhone downloads and installs the update overnight while charging and connected to Wi-Fi. You're notified before an update is installed.
  - **Automatically Download:** Downloads updates automatically when your iPhone connects to Wi-Fi, charging, and locked so you can install them later. To see this option, first turn off Automatically Install.

### **Install software updates**

1. Open Settings.
2. Tap General.

3. Tap **Software Update**. The screen shows the installed version of iOS and whether an update is available.
4. If an update is available, tap **Download and Install**, then follow the onscreen instructions.

## View More Details



Tap **More Details** to view the version number and what is included in that version.