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**I**OS 18.5 for iPhone and iPadOS 18.5 for iPad have been released by Apple. According to the release notes accompanying the update download, the software updates primary focus is the introduction of a new Pride Harmony LGBTQ wallpaper. Additionally, parents will now receive a notification when the Screen Time passcode is used on a child's device, and the updates include a variety of bug fixes and security enhancements to iPhone and iPad.

Separately, [MacOS Sequoia 15.5 update](#) is available for Mac, along with updates to MacOS Ventura 13.7.6, macOS Sonoma 14.7.6, iPadOS 17.7.7, and updates for watchOS 11.5, tvOS 18.5, and visionOS 2.5.

## How to Download & Install iOS 18.5 / iPadOS 18.5 Update



Always [backup iPhone/iPad to iCloud](#) or a computer before starting a system software update.

1. Open “**Settings**” app on iPhone or iPad
2. Go to “**General**” and then go to “**Software Update**”
3. Choose to “**Update Now**” to download and install iOS 18.5 / iPadOS 18.5

Your device must restart to finish installation.

Users can also update their iPhone or iPad by connecting it to a computer, or by using IPSW firmware files.

### iOS 18.5 IPSW Firmware Files Download Links

Though it's generally only appropriate for advanced users, another update option is to [update manually with IPSW files](#). The links below point to IPSW for compatible devices on Apple CDN servers:

- Updating...

## iPadOS 18.5 IPSW Download Links

- Updating...

## iOS 18.5 Release Notes

Release notes for iOS 18.5 are as follows:

This update also includes the following enhancements and bug fixes:

- \* A new Pride Harmony wallpaper
- \* Parents now receive a notification when the Screen Time passcode is used on a child's device
- \* Buy with iPhone is available when purchasing content within the Apple TV app on a 3rd party device
- \* Fixes an issue where the Apple Vision Pro app may display a black screen
- \* Support for carrier-provided satellite features is available on iPhone 13 (all models).

For more information visit: <https://support.apple.com/122339>

Some features may not be available for all regions or on all Apple devices. For information on the security content of Apple software updates, please visit: <https://support.apple.com/100100>

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While updating iPhone and iPad, don't forget to also [update your Mac with Sequoia 15.5](#), Sonoma 14.7.6, and/or Ventura 13.7.6, along with your Apple Watch, Apple TV, and Apple Vision Pro.