Glen's Goodies

March 2026

Tahoe Says Goodbye to Intel Macs

MacOS Tahoe will be the last system that supports Intel Macs.

And so, macOS Tahoe will be the final release for Intel Macs.

Final release for Intel Macs

"Apple today reminded developers and users that future versions of macOS will not support Intel machines, and Rosetta 2 support for apps will end after macOS 27.

Starting with macOS Tahoe 26.4, when users launch an app that uses Rosetta 2, there will be a popup letting them know that the app will no longer work when support for Rosetta 2 ends.

Apple says that it will continue to support older, unmaintained gaming titles with Rosetta along with software running Intel binaries in Linux VMs beyond macOS 27. There could also be future security fixes.."

Tahoe 26.4 will add iPhone-style charging to the Mac

With Tahoe 26.4, Apple will add a battery charge limiter. It will allow you to select the maximum charge level for your MacBook's battery. This feature has been available on the iPhone for a while now.

MacBooks currently have Optimized Battery Charging. With 26.4 you will now be able to select your Mac's maximum charge level between 80% and 100%. This theoretically expands the battery's lifespan and improves battery health.
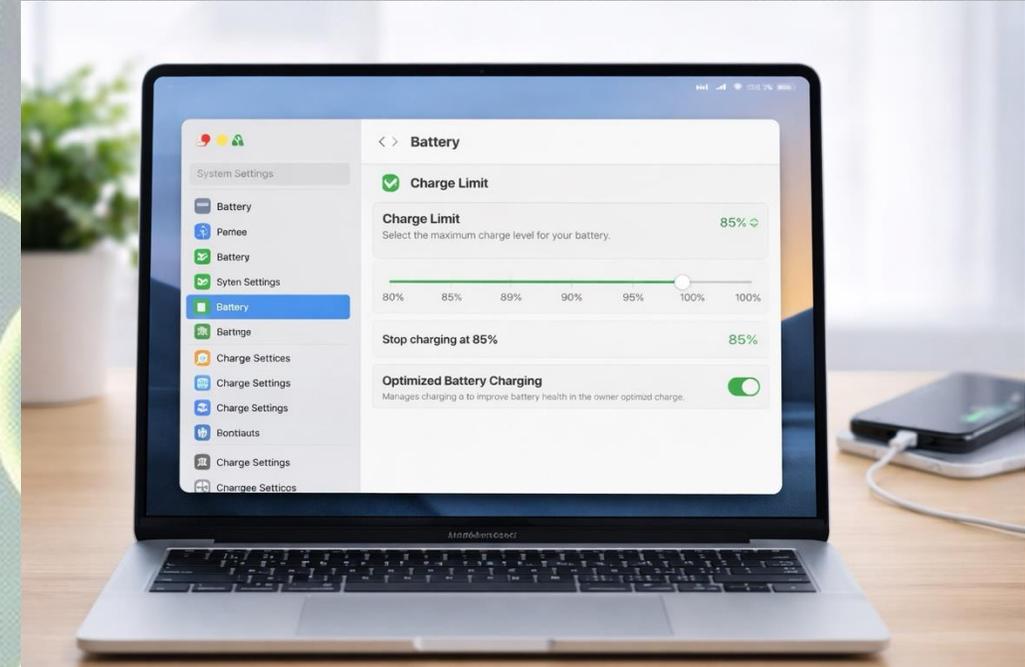
Show Star City Coming to Apple TV

The creators of the popular Apple TV+ series For All Mankind are going to launch a new limited spin-off series titled Star City on May 29. The 8-episode series reimagines the space race narrative from For All Mankind, but this time told from the the Soviet perspective.

Unlike a normal spin-off series, Star City is a companion series with the same alternate timeline. but from a different viewpoint. It will take place inside the Soviet space program during the same time. Apple says, "The eight-episode series debuts May 29 with two episodes, followed by one new episode each Friday through July 10."

By the way, if you're a fan of For All Mankind, season 5, will be out on March 27.

# Apple Using Apple Maps For More Immersive F1 viewing

Apple Maps has been updated to include a "2026 Formula 1 Tracks Around the World" guide that showcases each Formula One racing location. Upcoming race locations and 3D art will be added throughout the season. It already includes the first race location in Australia at the Albert Park race track.

Apple is well known for owning the whole process for products, marketing, and services and making them work together. It's using this same integration with it's new Formula One coverage to expand the viewing experience. Apple seems to be trying to take the idea of bonus content to the next level to use during races, race weekends, and at all times.

Let's see more: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jRLa63ddq50

"Love the caricature trend? 9 more viral ChatGPT image prompts to try."
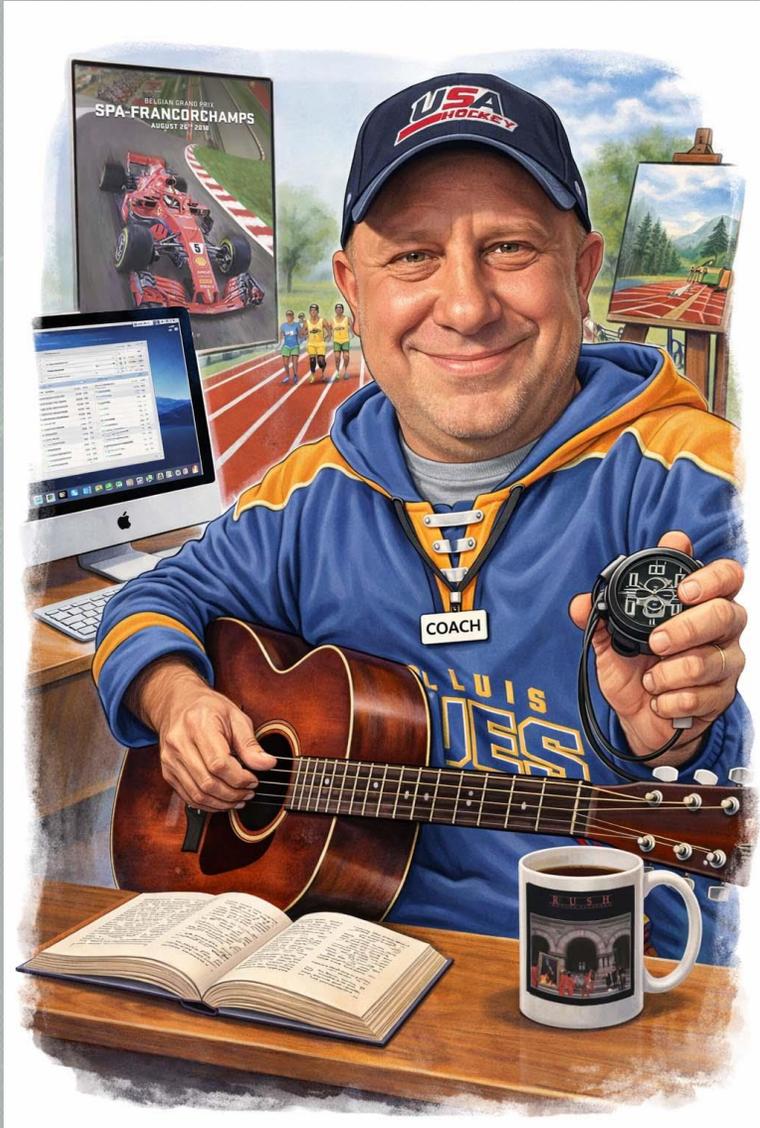
Mashable recently ran an interesting article on their website that looked at fun things to do with ChatGPT. If you haven't been living in a cave or if you ever use social media then you will have seen people posting caricatures of themselves showing off their personality and interests.

"You may have seen users sharing cute, cartoon pictures of themselves, usually created with some variation of this prompt: "Create a caricature of me based on everything you know about me.""

While this is fun, there are other things you can do as well.

https://mashable.com/article/9-chatgpt-photo-prompts-to-try-right-now

LUNA, HEARTHBOUND SENTINEL HP 88

COMPANION-BEAST
GOOD DOG

COZY POUNCE

Luna bolsters allies with calm, detects trouble by scent, and recovers quickly after sun-naps.

Attack – Deal 14 damage and the target is Charmed until the end of its next turn. If the target is holding food, add +4 damage.

WEAKNESSES
- Tennis balls – Luna must spend her next action chasing, attacks against her have +2 to hit during that t.
- Peanut butter – Luna is Stunned for 1 turn while occupied licking

Turn yourself (or your pets) into trading cards

"I used a picture of my dog Luna, who sadly passed away last year. I had ChatGPT create this playing card for an imaginary fantasy role-playing game...I uploaded a photo of my dog and used a prompt detailing what I wanted.

"This is a good dog named Luna. Please create a playing card featuring Luna for an imaginary fantasy role-playing game. The card should feature details on HP, attack name and effect, weaknesses (tennis balls, peanut butter), and a very brief description of Luna's abilities. Before completing the card, double-check that all words, text, and numbers appear correctly without any mistakes or typos."

Glen House 120

HEARTHFIRE GUARDIAN

35 **PRIMARY ATTACK**
Morning Momentum
Gains +10 Attack on the next turn if Coffee Charge is active. If holding a mug, restore 15 HP.

+20 **SECONDARY ABILITY**
Steady Encouragement Once per battle, grant an ally +20 Defense and immunity to self-doubt for one turn.

WEAKNESSES
- Chocolate (lose 5 Defense when within range)
- Son's Smile (skip the next attack due to immense pride)
- **COMPANION Matthew** enhances Glen's strategic acumen. Once per game, he can solve a complex problem granting Glen an additional +25 Attack and plus 2 to any strategic check. Glen can now figure out number puzzles and combinations thanks to Matthew's ability with numbers.

Matthew
MATH PRODIGY

A steady presence with a strategist's mind and a champion's heart. Fueled by coffee, loyalty, and love.

Blend pictures together

"One of the best examples of AI image generation at work is to blend pictures together. To make it work, simply upload two images to the ChatGPT chat with instructions on what you want to do. For this example, I took a headshot of myself and a picture of my dog with his nose on the table, and asked ChatGPT to put my head in the image with the dog. The goal was as you see above, to have a picture of my dog and I together. ."

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Add details to existing images

"ChatGPT can also add stuff to images to make them pop more. Last year, the U.S. saw a crazy week where the aurora borealis reached as far as Texas. I caught a picture from my front yard, but as I was in the suburbs, and I wasn't able to get those cool details that others did. So, I sent the picture to ChatGPT and asked it to add in some of those aurora details."

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Claymation, building blocks, and puppets, oh my!

"Claymation was a big trend a while back, and ChatGPT users have even created custom tools in the chatbot to help you make your own claymation images. So, if you've ever wanted to turn yourself into a Robot Chicken-like character, this is your chance. Upload an image of yourself and ask ChatGPT to do the rest.

"Use this picture and create a clay animation photograph. The subject should be sitting in a cozy living room with comfy furniture. Vivid lighting enhances the happy scene. HD quality, vivid style, bright colors."

Claymation isn't the only transformation effect that ChatGPT can do, of course. Users have also had a lot of fun turning themselves into Lego-style characters and puppets."

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Turn your pets into people

"Upload an image of your pet to ChatGPT and then ask it to imagine your pet as a human. You can add additional prompts like clothing choice, facial expression, background imagery, and all of that. ChatGPT will then turn your pet into a human. However, it's also fun to keep this prompt extremely simple and see how ChatGPT interprets it: "Turn my pet into a human."

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Lmao I asked #chatgpt to make a human version of my dog. Not only did it deliver but turns out he's a pup either way 😅 #aiart #funny #pet

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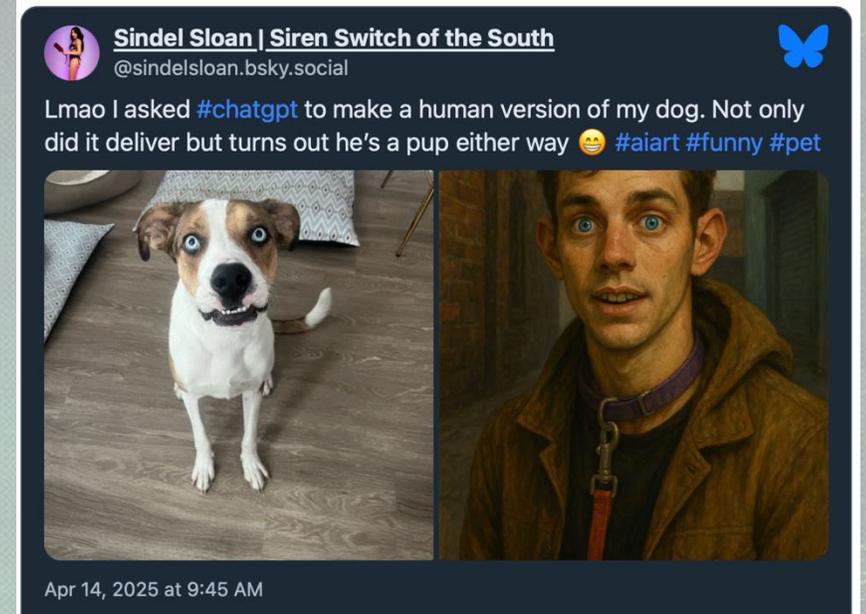
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Turn yourself (or anything else) into an action figure

"Earlier this year, ChatGPT users were using the chatbot to turn themselves or their favorite characters into action figures, complete with packaging, plastic wrap, and accessories. For best results, add some details to your prompt about the packaging details and the sort of accessories you'd like to see to further customize the final result."
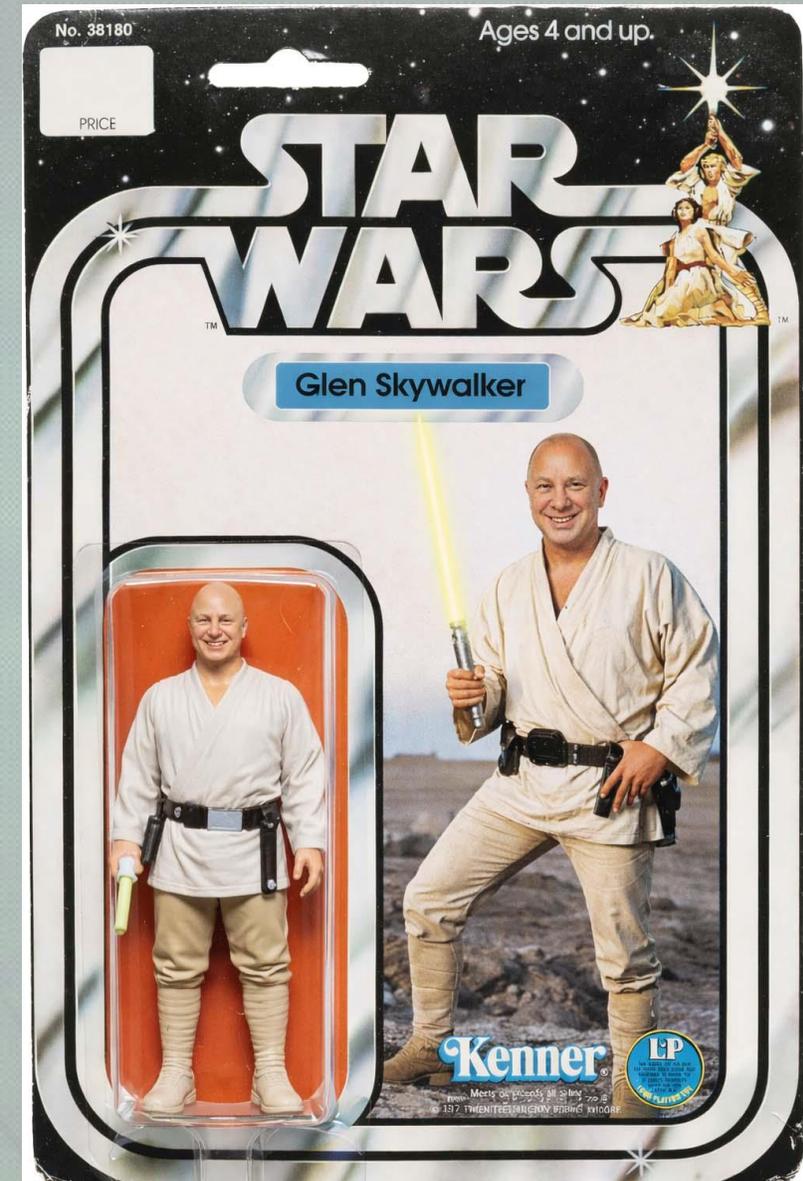
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Turn your username into a picture

"I've been on Reddit for about 12 years now, and I've seen some wacky usernames. Some of them would be fun to see in image format, and ChatGPT can do just that. In the above example, Redditor beachedwhitemale generated an image of a beached white male. Kudos for accuracy, ChatGPT.

Like the others, you can change how this presents by tweaking your prompts. For instance, one Redditor opted for a more artsy look rather than realistic, and some folks even asked ChatGPT to make the opposite of what their username would be, with interesting results. How absurd or cool this is totally depends on your Reddit username, so hopefully you picked an interesting one."

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Put Yourself Into Famous Art

This was my own idea and you can see here my experiment with famous works of art.
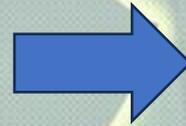
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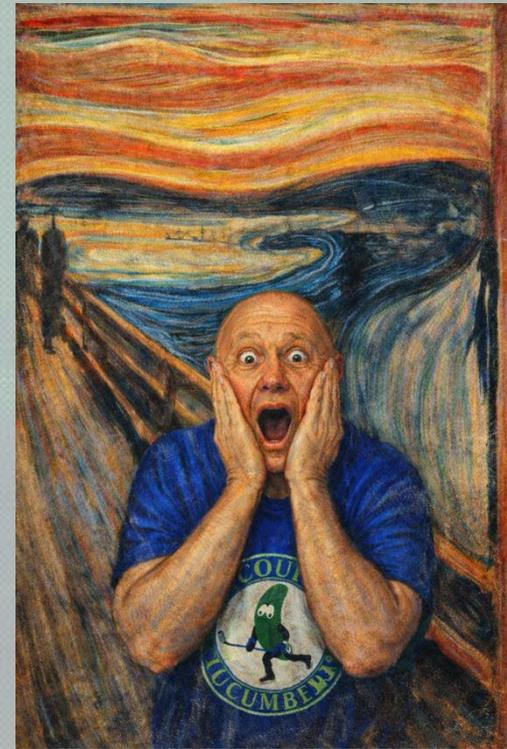
Easier Texting Using Apple Watch

Texting on the Apple Watch isn't fun. Even if you have a newer Series or an Ultra watch, with a bigger screen and an on-screen keyboard, it's still not easy. That's where canned responses come in. Apple gives you a handful to use, but you can customize this list and add your own responses that will be useful. Here's how to set this up.

Are you ever annoyed the default text replies on the Apple Watch
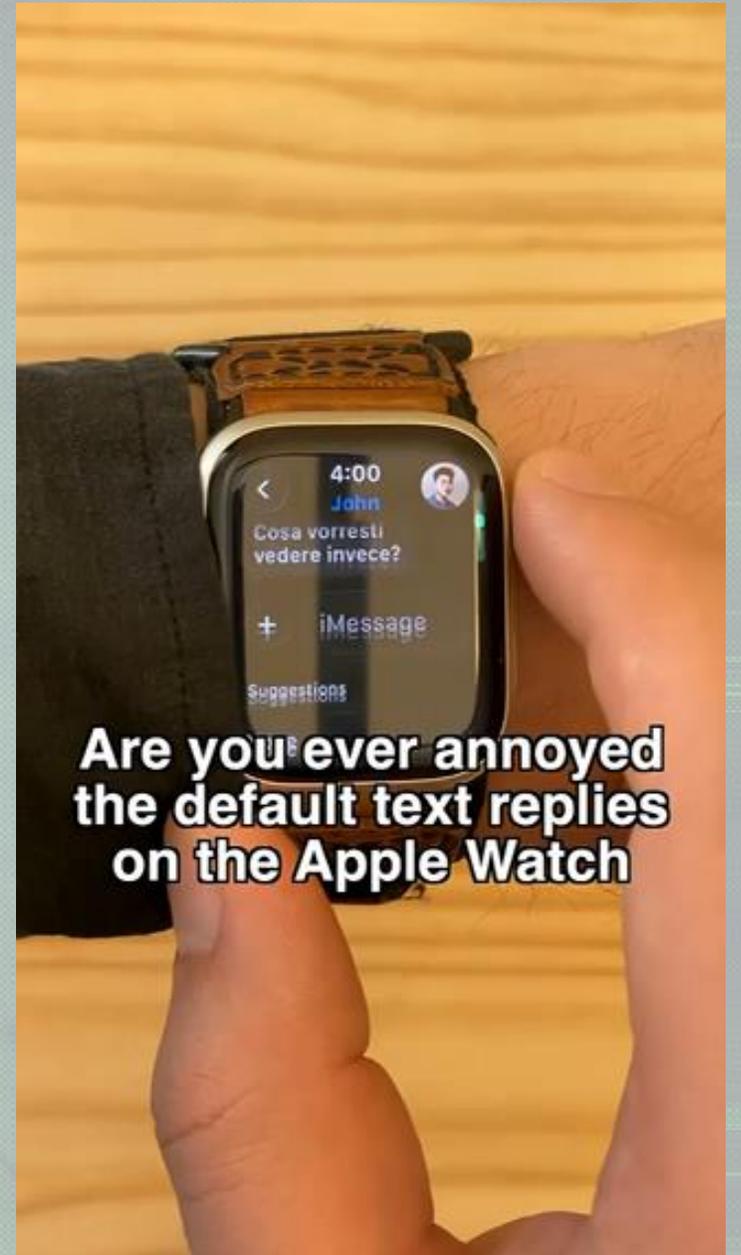
How To Personalize Your Apple CarPlay

With iOS26 there are several ways you can personalize the Apple CarPlay dashboard configure things how you'd like them. You'll do this by using your iPhone.

The first thing you want to do is customizing which apps appear on the main screen. Here are the steps. Use your iPhone.

1. Go to Settings > General
2. Scroll down and select "CarPlay"
3. Once in Car Play, Select your vehicle.
4. Here's where you can customize:
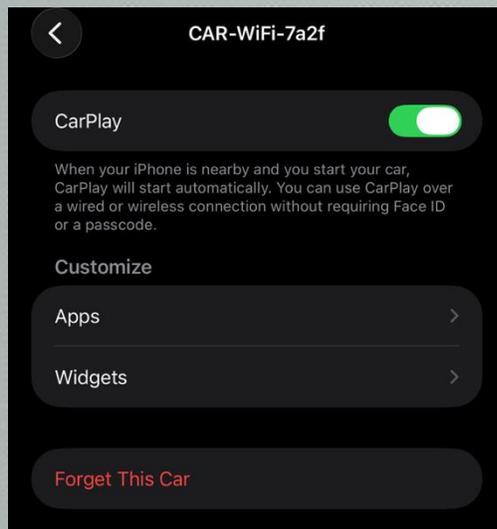
In the Apps section you can select which apps you want to show up in Car Play. Then you can use the handles on the right side to order the apps so they show up where you want them. Some of the apps you have to keep (Phone, Maps, Messages, etc.), but others you add can be added or deleted.

iOS26 allows you to add widgets. In the Widgets section, you can similarly select the widgets you want to show up.

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You can also change the appearance of Apple CarPlay. You can choose between Dark or Automatic. If you choose the latter it will switch between light and dark when necessary. Just open "Settings" in CarPlay in your car and press "Appearance" and choose Automatic or Always Dark. You can also change the background . In Settings press on "Background" and choose which one you want.

Other things you can do in settings:

A very handy feature in Apple Maps is to set it to remember where your vehicle is parked. To set this up follow these steps:

1. On your iPhone go to Settings > General > Tap Privacy & Security.
2. Enable "Location Services".
3. Scroll down and select "System Services".
4. Set "Significant Locations & Routes" to On.

After you turn this on, Apple Maps should remember where you parked your car. I find that SOMETIMES it will alert me.

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Share your ETA and Location

When you set a destination in Apple Maps, you can send live updates of your arrival time to the people that are important to you. They will be able to see your progress in real time. This is very handy if your coordinating meeting somewhere.

To do this, set a route in Maps and once you start (press "Go") then swipe up on the route card at the bottom of the screen and select "Share ETA." You will then be prompted to pick one of the suggested contacts, or go into your contact list to find the right person.
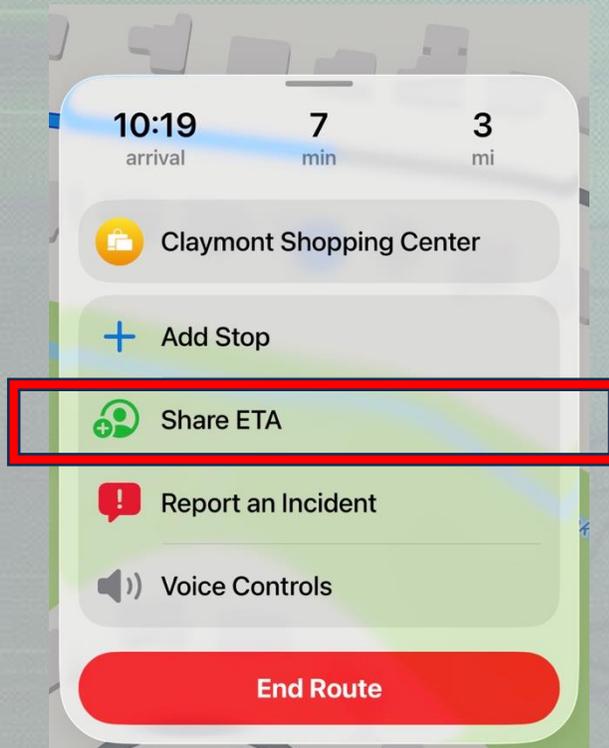
Driving Focus

You can set a driving focus so that you aren't interrupted by alerts when you're trying to focus on the road. Again, you'll set this up on your iPhone.

Go to Settings > Focus > and press the + button in the upper right corner to add a new focus.

Then select the "Driving" focus and then select the purple "Customize Focus" at the bottom of the screen. Now you can customize the settings for this focus.

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Enable Voice Settings

You can enable Siri to control CarPlay via voice commands. Go into Settings on the CarPlay screen and select "Accessibility" and then select "Voice Control" and turn it on. Once it's on you don't need to say Siri to activate commands. Just say things like "Open Music" to open the Music app, or "Swipe Right" to swipe to the next page of your home screen.
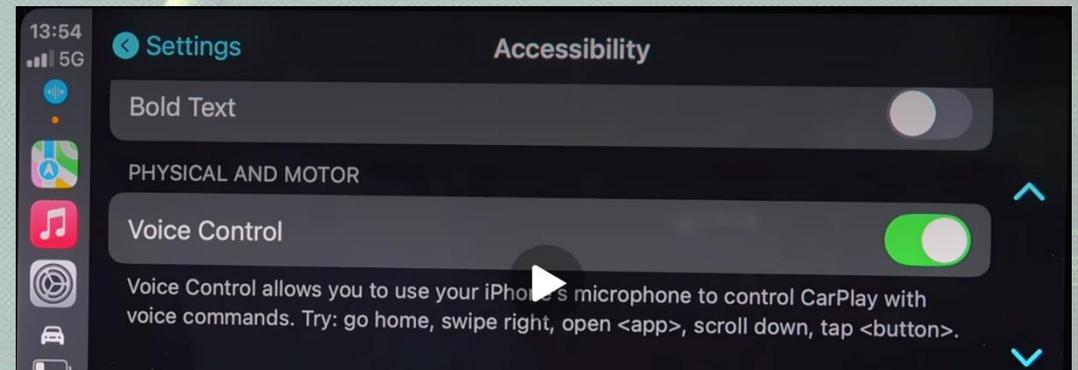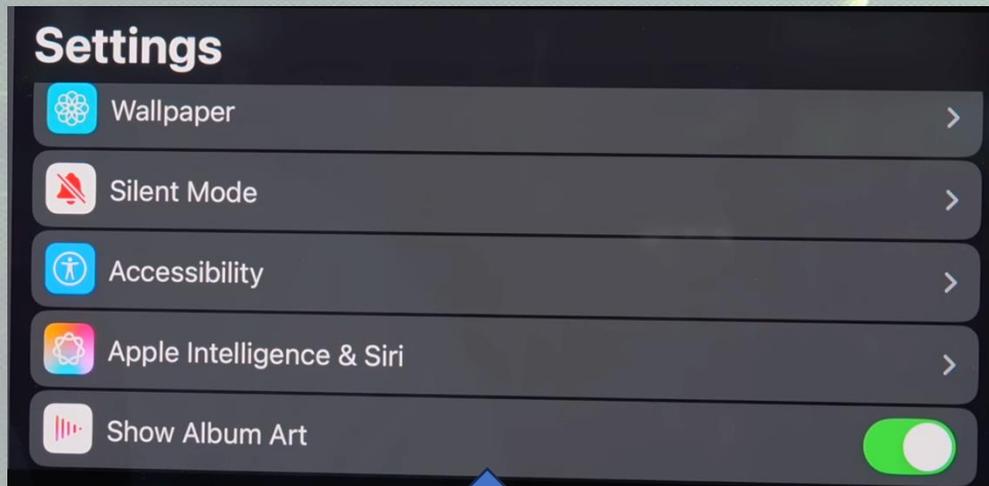
Enable Album Art

If you want to be able to glance at your CarPlay screen and see the album art, just enable it in settings.
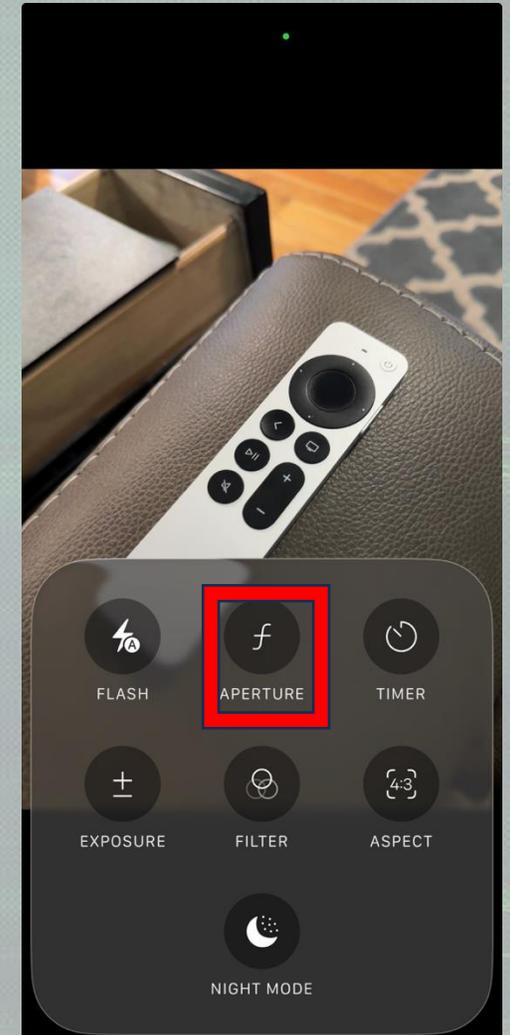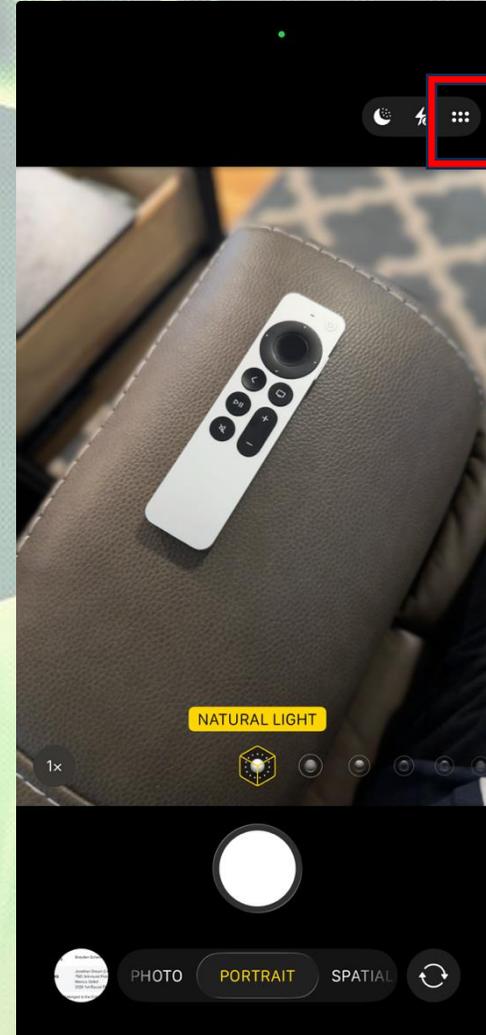
iPhone camera modes and how to take Better Photos With Each One

The camera on your iPhone has more shooting options than you think. Here's how to use them to take better photos.

1. Portrait Mode

In portrait mode, your phone will automatically blur the background so your focus is on the subject. This is great as long as you are the correct distance away. If you're not, your phone will let you know. There is some fine tuning you can do.

To make adjustments, tap the six dots in the top-right corner of your screen and select Aperture. This lets you control how strong the background blur appears—slide left for less blur and right for more. You can also adjust the lighting and blur strength after taking the photo by editing it in the Photos app.
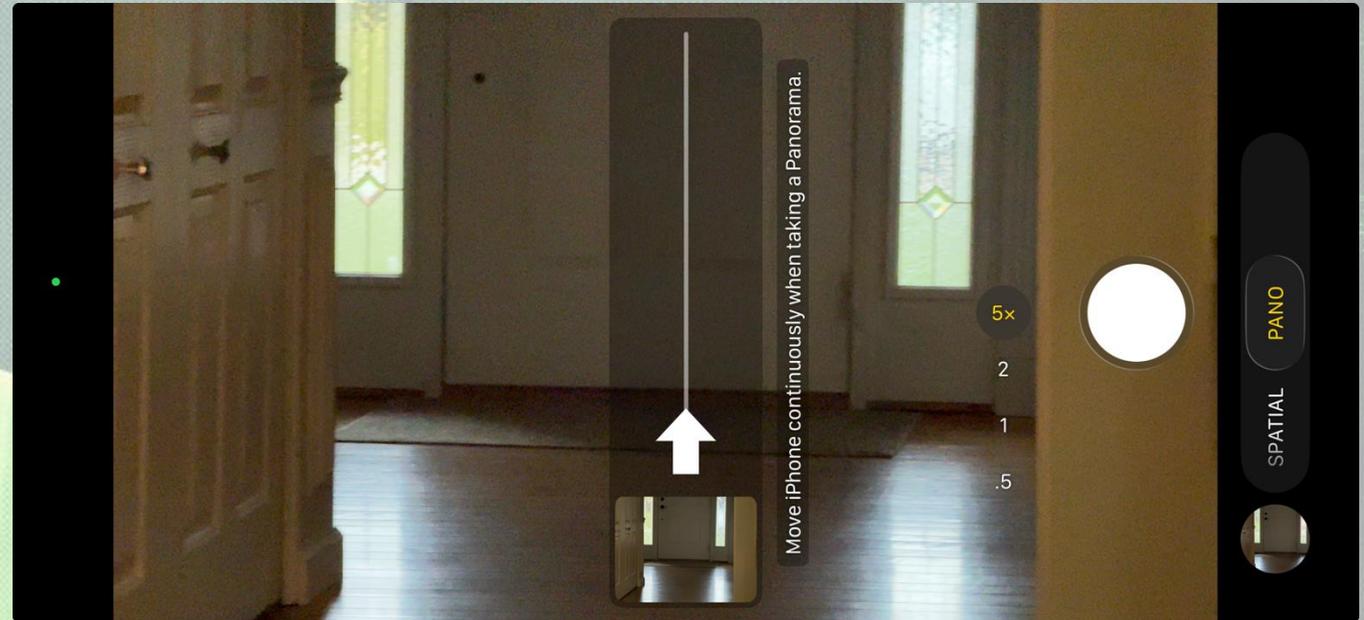
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2. Pano mode

Use Pano mode when you want to capture a scene that's too wide for a standard photo. If you haven't used it before, an on-screen arrow shows the direction to move your iPhone. Tap the shutter button and slowly pan in that direction, keeping the arrow aligned with the horizontal line so the iPhone can smoothly stitch the images together.

One thing many people don't realize is that panoramas don't have to be horizontal. You can turn your phone to landscape orientation and pan vertically to capture tall subjects like buildings or trees without needing to step back or switch to the ultra-wide lens.

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3. Photo mode

Photo mode is where most people take the majority of their pictures, and it offers more flexibility than many realize. When you open the Camera app, this is the mode that appears by default.

Although the iPhone automatically manages focus and exposure, you can easily override it. Tap anywhere on the screen to choose where the camera should focus. If you want that focus to stay fixed while you move the phone, press and hold until the AF/AE Lock message appears.

Once you've tapped to focus, you can adjust brightness by sliding your finger up or down on the screen. This changes the exposure—essentially controlling how much light the camera sensor captures. As you move your finger, the preview updates immediately so you can see the effect.

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For more options, tap the six dots in the upper-right corner. This menu lets you adjust settings such as flash, the self-timer, Night mode, and the photo's aspect ratio. You'll also find an Exposure control for more precise brightness adjustments, along with Styles and Filters that apply a specific look before you take the photo.

Finally, Macro mode (shown with a flower icon) and Night mode (shown with a crescent moon) automatically turn on when the camera detects that those features will improve the shot.
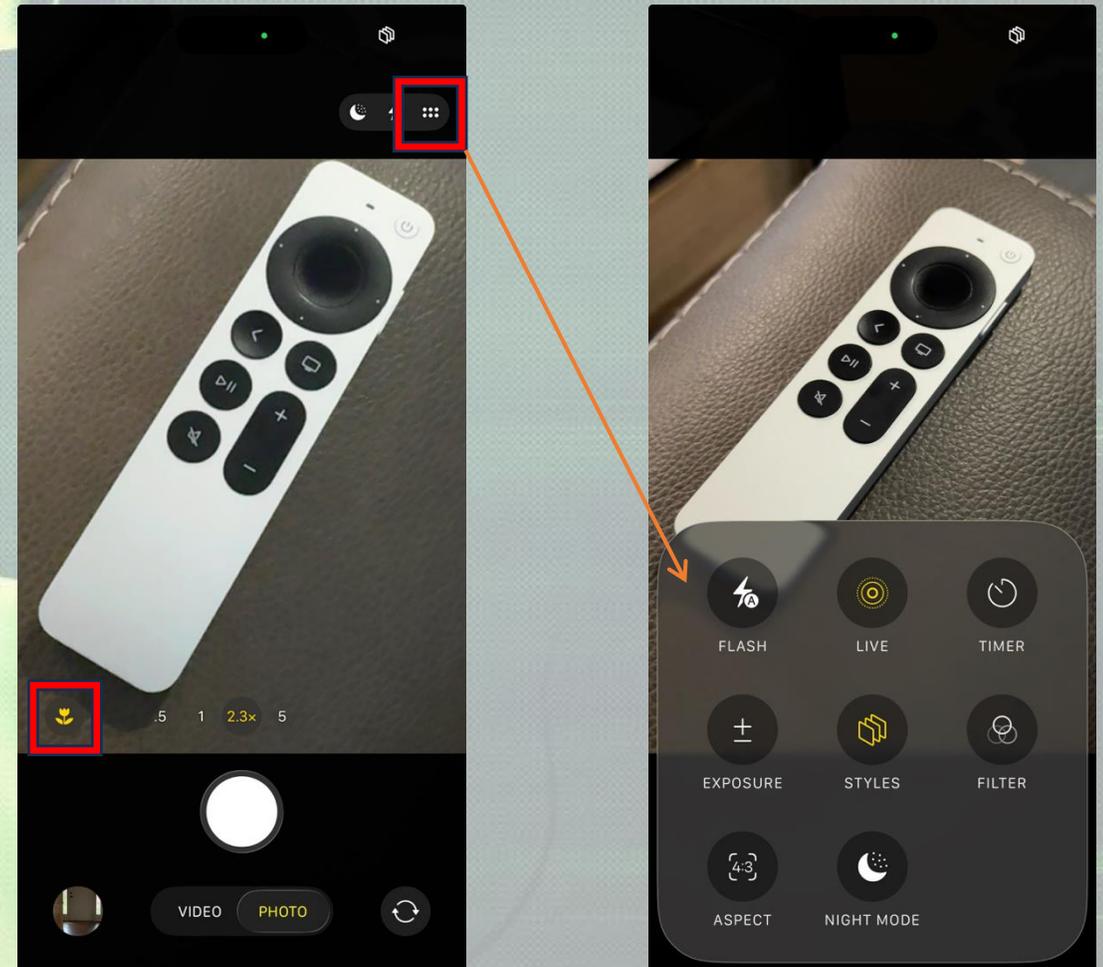
Upload your own music to Apple Music

If you have music you'd like to add to your Apple Music collection here's how you can do this.