



Drive

About the Google Drive app for iPhone and iPad

This article describes the latest version of the Drive app for iOS. To get the latest version, download an update from the App Store.

The Google Drive app lets you open, view, rename, and share your Google Docs and files. Here's what you can do in the Drive app on your iPhone or iPad:

- Open and view your files and Google Docs in the following formats:
 - Google documents, spreadsheets, presentations, and drawings
 - All Microsoft Office formats
 - TXT and PDF files
 - Images (JPG, GIF, PNG, BMP, TIF)
 - Movies (MOV, AVI, MP4)
- Edit Google documents
- Use other apps to open unsupported file types stored in Drive
- Rename your files
- Share something from your Google Drive with other people
- Star something for easy access
- Make files available to view offline

Every time you open something with the Drive app, it'll update to the latest version of the file. If a collaborator is actively working on something, you won't see updates being made in real time unless you're [working on a Google document](#).

Navigating the app

When you open the Drive app on your iPhone or iPad, you'll see a list of different ways to view what's on your Drive.

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Tips for using the app

- Tap the arrow to the right of an item's name to open the details panel and **Share** it, **Rename** it, **Remove** it, **Move** it to a different folder, or **Make it available offline**. Most of these options are located under the **Actions** button in the top-right corner of your screen when you are in the details panel.
- Tap the item's name to immediately open and view it.
- Google Docs, files, and folders refresh every few minutes when you have the app open. Every time you open, close, and reopen an individual item, it'll be updated.
- If you run into a serious, persistent error, restart the app. To do this, go to your Home screen, double-tap your iPhone's or iPad's Home button, press and hold the Drive app icon until the red "stop" button appears in its top-left corner, and tap the red "stop" button. Then press your Home button to return to your device home screen and re-open Drive.
- Learn about using the app for [editing Google documents](#), [viewing Google presentations](#), and [accessing Google spreadsheets](#).

The app can't do everything (yet)

While we continue to develop the Google Drive app for iOS, it still has some limitations:

- Google spreadsheets can currently be viewed and edited only through the mobile browser. We're working on an iOS-native editor for Google spreadsheets.
- There is currently no Trash section in the app. Anything you remove to the Trash on the app or the web will be available to find, view, and restore on the web only.

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