Maps for Macs

How to reset your current location in Maps on the Mac

If you are searching all over the world but want to quickly get back to your current location, click the arrow icon next to Search Box.

 Click on Blue circle for your Street Address, then click on Info icon to Drop a Pin, Share your Location or Add to Favorites.

How to search for an address from one of your contacts.

You can search for more than just general locations, like Seattle. Type in the name of a person or business who's in your Contacts app to find the location on the Map.

- Click on the Search bar.
- Enter the name of a person or business in your Contacts into the Search bar.

How to get driving, walking, or transit directions.

Once you've found the location you are looking for, you can get directions from your current location, or from any other location.

- Click Directions in the upper left corner of the Maps window.
- Enter a Starting location or select My Location.
- Enter an Ending location. Recent locations are listed below.
- Click Drive Walk Transit to get specific directions.
- · Select View Show Scale to show map scale in upper left.

Show traffic.

- Click on the Map tab in the upper right corner.
- Click Show in the bottom left corner.
- Click Show Traffic. Red is bad!
- · Click on a traffic icon to see what might be causing the slowdown.

Show the 3D map.

- Close Directions and Traffic. Click Satellite in upper right corner.
- · Click Show 3D Map in the bottom left corner or 3D circle in lower right corner.
- Click and drag the 3D icon in the bottom right corner.
- Click and drag the compass in the bottom right corner of the screen in a circular motion to rotate your view.

How to use Flyover.

Type in a major city (Seattle, LA, San Francisco). Click on Start & Stop.

Send maps or directions to your iPhone.

- Click Directions in the upper left corner.
- · Launch the Maps app on your iPhone.
- Click on the Share button in the Maps app on your Mac.
- Select your iPhone or iPad
- Or send to Notes or eMail or Messages to share with friends.

Maps for iPhones & iPads

- Clean new look with Recent or Favorite Searches across the bottom and Weather (iPhone 6S or 7 - press for forecast)!
- Tap on your location (blue circle) and get details on where you are plus choice to share or Mark your location. Even Longitude & latitude!
- Start a search and get eight quick options for Food, Drink, Services, etc.
- Type in Starbucks and get results based on proximity. Distance, phone #, Store Hours - with Yelp photos and reviews.
- Tap Directions and Maps tells you the travel time & distance and options on routes.
- Swipe up from bottom to get options for Gas, Food or Coffee.
- Or ask Siri as you go "are there any grocery stores along the route?"
- Also swipe up to get an Overview of route or Details.
- Parked Car feature to find where you last parked your Bluetooth enabled car.
- Tap Info Button to change to Satellite or Transit views, turn on Traffic or mark location.
- As you pinch to zoom, the map scale appears in upper left corner.
- Create route on iPad and click Share button to send to iPhone or Mac.
- Open Settings to customize Preferred Transportation Mode, Compass, Extensions, Show Parked Car Location, etc.

Tip:

As with all Apple Apps, you can get comprehensive Help Screens by clicking on Help at top of screen and then on Maps Help for an Overview or Detailed Topics.