

iPhone 3G refurb price cuts

AT&T has dropped prices on its stock of refurbished iPhone 3G units. 8GB iPhone 3G units are \$49, while 16GB models (black or white) are priced at \$99, available while supplies last. The refurbished units require a two-year contract, carry a 90-day warranty and may have "minor scratches."

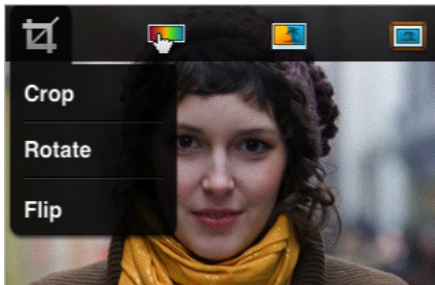
Apple adds 'Apps for Everything' collections

Apple has unveiled a new section of its Web site, Apps for Everything, which is a handful of different collections, such as Apps for Cooks and Apps for Music. There are currently 12 different collections, each featuring between 8 and 24 applications, along with tips for using the built-in features of the iPhone.

<http://www.apple.com/iphone/apps-for-everything/>

Photoshop.com for iPhone

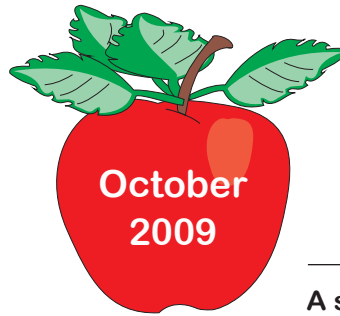
Adobe's Photoshop.com Mobile provides a convenient way to edit photos, apply effects and share images instantly with friends. Seamless integration with free Photoshop.com accounts enables photo sharing and data back-up, saving valuable space on the iPhones. It's available free at the App Store.



SOFTWARE/HARDWARE

iTunes 9.0.1 (83 MB) fixes a number of issues, including a quick reversal on the functionality of the green "maximize" button. In iTunes 9, if you wanted the miniature iTunes player window, you had option-click the green button. As of iTunes 9.0.1, the pre-iTunes 9 behavior has returned: Clicking the green button switches to the miniature player mode. (Option-clicking the green button now maximizes the window.)

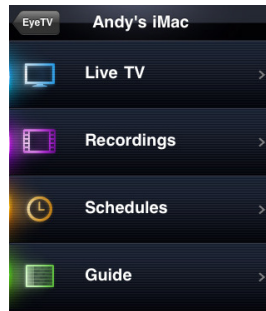
The EyeTV application (\$4.99) accesses EyeTV running on your Mac at home to deliver these features to your iPhone. Features include: watching live TV and channel changes anywhere (Wi-Fi connection required), view your EyeTV recordings, browse the Program Guide,



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start recordings back home on your Mac immediately or schedule them for later and view /edit your recording schedules. No configuration is necessary to watch live TV on the same network as the Mac that's running EyeTV. Elgato's free My EyeTV service helps the EyeTV app find your Mac at home for watching live TV on the road.



iPhone OS 3.1.2 for the iPhone and iPod touch fixes the "coma" bug and occasional crashes during video streaming. It also resolves an issue that would cause network services to become unavailable until a restart. AT&T concurrently released a carrier settings 5.6 update for the iPhone, stating that more "fine tuning" would be needed before it could offer tethering as an option for iPhone customers. They have officially opened their 3G network to VoIP iPhone applications, such as Skype.

Ten apps for taking photos and editing images on the iPhone are at:

<http://www.loopinsight.com/2009/09/23/ten-apps-for-taking-photos-and-editing-images-on-the-iphone/>

All the icons for folders and apps in Snow Leopard are now drawn in 512 x 512 pixels. It's a step toward making the operating system resolution independent and perhaps to make Snow Leopard a touch-screen-friendly OS. But it's also done just for the art of it. These icons are real beauties. They are full of great details and a few surprises. One icon contains the words



to a song, visible only if you blow it up to its full size. To increase your icons to 512 x 512 (or any size in-between), go to Finder > Show View Options (Command-J) and move the Icon size slider bar. Or, more simply, move the right-bottom slider bar in any icon-viewed window. You'll be amazed at the detail. There's 11 pages of the full-blown icons at:

<http://www.cultofmac.com/icon-porn-feast-your-eyes-on-snow-leopards-beautiful-icons/15764>

Apple has released a maintenance update for iWork '09, while adding several new features to iWork.com.

CNN is the first news outlet to charge (\$1.99) to download its new iPhone/touch app. (I'm sticking with the free Fox app myself.)



Google Maps is a free (donationware) application that allows users to interact with Google Maps mapping service. It provides maps, satellite imagery, driving directions, local search for numerous countries around the world. Features include geocoding service, the ability to create and export customized maps and save a default location view. More info, screenshots and the download link, go to:

<http://sites.google.com/site/emanuele/>

TIPS

For a visual tour of some favorite new tricks in Snow Leopard, go to:

<http://media.macworld.com/media/vodcast/mwvodcast123.mp4>

To reset an iPod with a Click Wheel, toggle the Hold switch on and off. (Slide it to Hold, then turn it off again.) Press and hold the Menu and Center (Select) buttons simultaneously until the Apple logo appears, about 6 to 8 seconds.

Command>Option>T hides/shows the Apple Toolbox on the left of an open window.

When you drag an image(s) out of a pdf file in OS X 10.6, it creates a new pdf with just those images, instead of a clipping file, as in OS X 10.5.

In OS X 10.6, Quicklook (spacebar to activate) now works with clippings. You can even make clippings of clippings.

The Show Inspector feature in iCal OS X 10.6 (Edit Menu or Command>Option>I) is a welcome upgrade for editing entries.

New in iPhone OS 3.x, you can sync the Notes on your iPhone back to your Mac. To turn this on, select "Sync notes" from the Notes section of the Info tab for your iPhone in iTunes. They will appear in the Notes section of the Mail application under the Reminders category.

Find duplicate songs in your iTunes library by choosing Show Duplicates in the File menu. To see only exact duplicates, press the Option key.

Two of the most popular folders to add to the dock are your home folder and your Applications folder. But, rather than putting your entire Applications folder on your dock, create a new folder and put in aliases of just the applications and system

add-ons (such as the Calculator, etc.) that you really use. Then you can access them as you would any dock folder.

To edit and/or publish your iWeb sites on different computers, do this:

- Find your Domain file (located in: Users/(your username)/Library/ Application Support/iWeb)
- Copy Domain file
- Paste into other computer location (same Users/(other username)/ Library/ Application Support/iWeb)
- Delete the existing Domain file

Indesign can take a long time to print your file, particularly if you have complex and large image files embedded in your document. To speed it up, export the pages you want to print into a PDF file using the File > Export command. Save the resulting file, then open it and print from Preview.

To transfer AppleWorks files to .rtf files for use with Pages, right-click on a AppleWorks word processing file (.cwk) and choose the Pages option. It will launch and convert your AppleWorks document to a .rtf file, complete with original formatting. Similarly, AppleWorks' spreadsheet documents can be opened with iWork's Numbers application.

JIBBLE

Apple recently won every category it participated in as part of a PCMag study of service and reliability, including the cellphone, desktop, notebook and portable media categories.

As of 9/29, 18% of Mac users have upgraded to OS X 10.6 in one month after release.

In June, nine out of 10 dollars spent on computers costing \$1,000 or more went to Apple. Mac revenue market share in the 'premium' price segment was 91%, up from 88% in May.



Check out of this old video of Microsoft's future "zunePhone:"

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nRKIDdlaFyE>

Apple's share of the U.S. home computer market has tripled in the last five years, to 8.7% in the second quarter of 2009.

When you Option > Click on various OS X 10.6 menu bar icons, you'll see:

Sound

If you use more than one sound input and/or output on your Mac, you'll love this. Option > Click on the Sound icon to see a list of available output and input devices. Select one to activate the output or input device.

AirPort

In addition to the hardware (MAC) address of the wireless station, which channel is in use, the signal strength (RSSI), and an indication of the data transmission rate (all available in 10.5), you can also see what mode your connected network is using (802.11n, for instance), security (WPA2 Personal, etc.), and the MCS Index, which is related to the 802.11n standard.

Battery

Option > Click on the Battery icon to see Normal, Replace Soon, Replace Now or Service Battery right next to the word Condition. Click this entry and an Apple Help page will open, explaining what each term means. Apple also has a support document that explains more about battery condition.

Sync

Option > Click the Sync icon in Snow Leopard OS X 10.6 and you'll see detailed information about exactly when each of the data types you sync was last synchronized, including any third-party application that uses Sync services.

You'll also see an Open iSync Diagnostics menu item to help troubleshoot any sync issues.

