

Coloring Outside the Lines with Your iOS Device

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Leftovers!

Additional “Special” Keys

Besides accented alphabetic characters and .com (for .net, .org, etc.), some other useful symbols are hidden behind punctuation characters:

Touch and hold this...	To get these symbols...
0 (zero)	°
&	§
\$	¢ € £ ¥ ₩
-	— — •
.	…
?	¿
!	¡
,	‘ ’ ‚ `
”	“ ” „ « » „

Useful Accessories

- Styli: See http://www.macworld.com/article/1164854/iphone_and_ipad_styluses_compared.html
- Keyboard overlays: [TouchFire](#) (thin, flexible plastic, \$49.99) & [iKeyboard](#) (rigid attachment, \$35)

Other Apps I Mentioned Yesterday

- [Reflection](#) (\$14.99): AirPlay for Mac
- [TextExpander](#) (\$4.99): Convert short abbreviations to longer text; more options than what's built into iOS but works only in (non-Apple) apps that support it.

Create (or Improve) Art on your iOS Device

Just a few examples of good apps in several major categories...

Photo Retouching

- [iPhoto](#) (\$4.99)

Drawing

- [iDraw](#) (\$8.99)

Painting

- [ArtStudio](#) for iPad (\$2.99)
- [Layers - Pro Edition for iPad](#) (\$5.99)

Viewing Masterpieces

- [Art Authority for iPad](#) (\$4.99)

Use Your iOS Device as a Scanner

Of the apps listed here, only Scanner Pro is universal (that is, designed for iPad); the others work on any iOS device but only at iPhone size.

Straight Scanning

These all support automatic edge detection and multipage documents. TurboScan and Genius Scan can also correct perspective.

- [Genius Scan](#) (free)
- [JotNot Scanner Pro](#) (\$1.99)
- [Scanner Pro](#) (\$6.99)
- [TurboScan](#) (\$1.99): iPhone 4/4S or iPad 3 only.

Scanning Plus OCR

- [Babelshot](#) (\$4.99): Take a picture of text in any of 32 different languages, and Babelshot not only performs OCR but also translates that text into English.
- [DocScanner](#) (\$3.99): A general-purpose OCR tool for creating searchable PDFs, DocScanner performs the OCR on your iOS device itself—no network connection required.
- [Perfect OCR](#) (\$3.99)
- [Prizmo](#) (\$9.99): Can also crop and correct perspective. [DEMO]

Print from Your iPad

- Newer AirPrint-enabled HP or Epson printer
- [Printopia](#) \$19.95

Advanced Home Media

Apple TV & iTunes

- Apple [Remote](#) (free) for Apple TV & iTunes

Home Entertainment System

- **Add amplified speakers & docks:** Too many choices to list!
- **Control IR devices:** IR dongle such as [blinQ](#) (\$9.99) & [blinQ TV](#) app (free) OR Wi-Fi to IR bridge such as [RedEye](#) (\$199 to \$500+) & [RedEye](#) app (free)... There are LOTS of others like these!
- **Add a TV tuner to your iPad:** Elgato [EyeTV Mobile](#) (Europe only, sorry)
- **Stream video wirelessly from mobile hard disk:** [Seagate GoFlex Satellite](#) (\$199.99)
- **Rip DVDs:** [Handbrake](#) (free)
- **Convert videos:** [Miro Video Converter](#) (free)
- **Stream stuff from your cable box, Blu-ray player, or other AV source:** [Slingbox](#) (\$299.99 for PRO-HD version) & [SlingPlayer for iPad](#) (\$29.99) OR AVerMedia [HomeFree AVplus](#) (\$99.99) OR [HDHomeRun](#) (\$129.99) for TV tuner + Ethernet streaming
- **Control & program your Verizon DVR remotely:** [Verizon FiOS Mobile](#) (free)
- **Be a DJ:** [djay](#) (\$19.99) OR [meta DJ](#) (\$19.99)

Health

- [Nike + iPod](#) (sensor, \$19; shoes extra)
- [Cardiograph](#) (\$1.99): pulse only, put finger over camera
- [Philips Vital Signs Camera](#) (\$0.99): pulse & respiration, no touch required
- [iHealth Scale](#) (Bluetooth; \$69.95; free [app](#))
- [iHealth Blood Pressure Cuff](#) (Connects via dock; \$99.95; free [app](#))
- Blood sugar (later this year): iHealth [Smart GlucoMeter](#)

Fun with Multiple iOS Devices

- [GarageBand](#) (\$4.99): One instrument per person
- [Keynote Remote](#) (\$0.99): Use one iOS device as remote control for Keynote running on another
- [Collabracam](#) (\$5.99): Multi-camera video production (\$5.99)
- [Bump](#) (free) (not iPad-native)

Money

- [Square](#) (free) & [Square Card Reader](#) (free)
- PayPal Here [dongle](#) (coming soon) & [app](#) (iPhone, free)

Siri Tips, Tricks, and Hacks

Easy Siri Tips for Anyone

- Have Siri call you whatever you want: Say, “Call me [nickname].”
- Teach Siri pronunciation: Add phonetic first and/or last name fields to the contact’s record.
- Give Siri an accent: Settings > General > Siri > Language (but keep in mind that accuracy may suffer).
- Put something on a specific Reminders list: Use the form “Add [item] to my [list name] list.”

SMS and Email Tricks

Any service you can interact with via email or SMS, you can also get to (in a slightly roundabout way) using Siri. For example...

- Use Siri with Remember the Milk <http://www.rememberthemilk.com/services/siri/>
- Use Siri to send a tweet (Activate your cell phone for use with Twitter, add a Twitter contact with the appropriate number, and then text that contact). <http://maypalo.com/2011/10/20/top-5-best-siri-tricks-tips-on-the-iphone-4s/>
- Use Siri to update your Facebook status (also covered in previous link).
- Check your bank balance <http://www.ryanspahn.com/siri-checks-bank-balance.html>
- If your blog supports posting by email, set up the address as a contact, and create a blog post by having Siri send it an email.
- Use Siri to control things on your Mac!
 - ▶ Create an AppleScript to do what you want. Could be short, one line, such as: `tell application "Pages" to open`
 - ▶ Create a Mail rule that runs that AppleScript when a message arrives with the right from and subject headers.
 - ▶ Have Siri send an email to your own address.

- Open apps and even specific Facebook pages with Siri's help...but it still takes one tap <http://www.grabi.org/how-to-quickly-open-apps-with-siri-easy-trick/>
- **Vocal** (\$1.99) lets you run commands on your Mac, including ones you specify yourself, by using a pair of apps—one on your iPhone and one your Mac

Other Cool Ideas

- **Lumin** mirror & magnifying glass (\$1.99)
- iPad as teleprompter
 - ▶ Commercial examples: <http://www.prompterpeople.com/teleprompters/ipad-teleprompters.html>
 - ▶ Make your own: <http://webvideouniversity.com/podcast/video/2010/08/27/how-to-build-an-ipad-teleprompter-for-under-5-wvu-98/>
 - ▶ Software: **Teleprompt+** (\$14.99)