

# Internet Video Calling

Many uses of the internet have been free

The idea came about of calling other people via the internet thus not having to go through a phone company

Later video was added to the audio signal

This is especially great for calls to overseas which would otherwise be very expensive plus you can see the other person or people

## What is FaceTime?

It is an application that allows you to make video calls over the internet from your Apple device to another person owning an Apple device. It is essentially Apple's answer to Skype.

On relatively recent Apple devices, FaceTime has been and is included free of charge.

# What are the device requirements?

For iOS devices:

- iPhone 4 with iOS 4.1 or later
- iPhone 4S or later
- iPad 2 or later
- iPad mini (all models)
- iPod touch 4th generation with iOS 4.1 or later

Notes: a. For all the above models FaceTime is included

b. Make sure that all available security updates are performed

For OS X (Mac) devices:

- Mac OS X ver 10.6.6 Snow Leopard or later (FaceTime must be purchased from App Store)
- Mac OS X ver 10.7 Lion or later (FaceTime is included)

Notes: a. Update the operating system to at least ver 10.9 Mavericks since Apple support for previous versions has or will be stopped.

b. Make sure that all available security updates are performed

With a phone company contract and a cellular data plan, you can also use FaceTime without using a WiFi connection on any of these devices:

- iPhone 4S or later
- iPod (3rd generation or later)

## Another more casual way of putting it

If you bought your iPod in late 2004 or after, you probably have the app.

If you bought your Mac in mid 2009 or after, you probably have the app. If not, you can buy it from the App Store for 99 cents.

If you bought your iPhone in late 2010 or after, you probably have the app.

If you bought your iPad after March of 2011, you probably have the app.

# How do you check your version number?

## **ON AN IPHONE OR IPAD:**

Click on “Settings”

Click on “General”

Click on “About”

See listed “Version” number; It has to be 4.1 or higher

## **ON A MAC:**

Click on the black apple in the upper left hand corner of the desktop screen

Click on “About This Mac”

This window gives you the information that you need including the version number

It has to be 10.6.6 or higher

What the icons look like

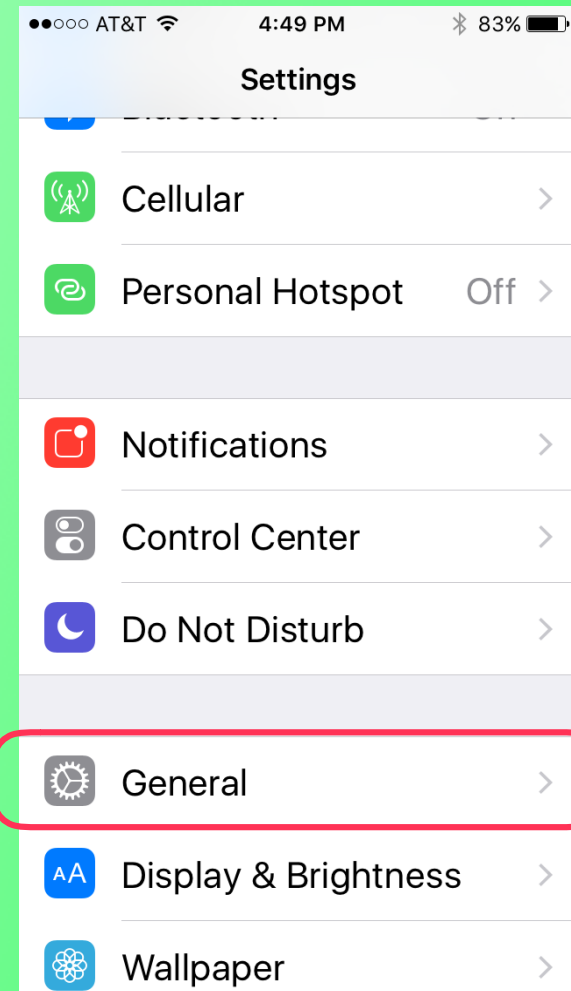
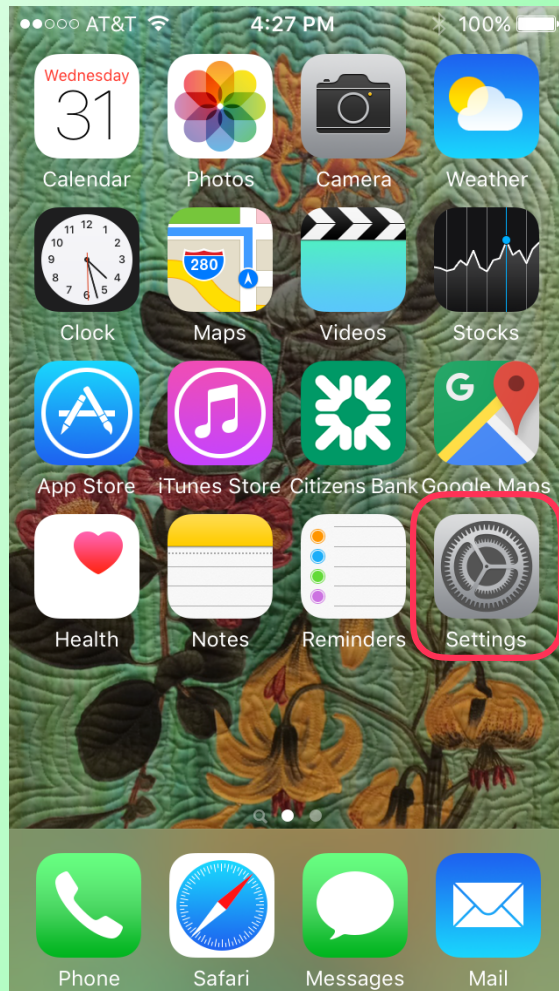
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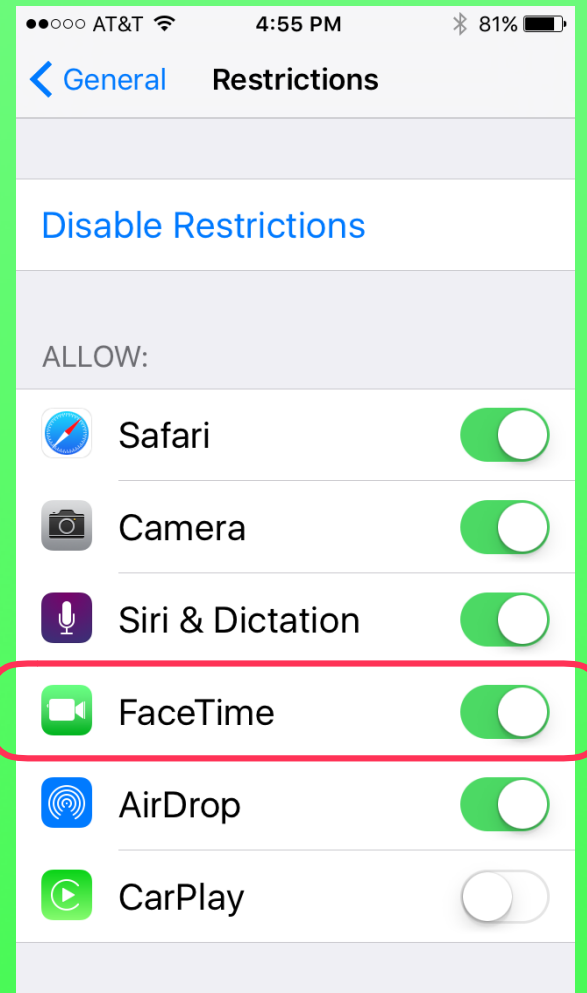
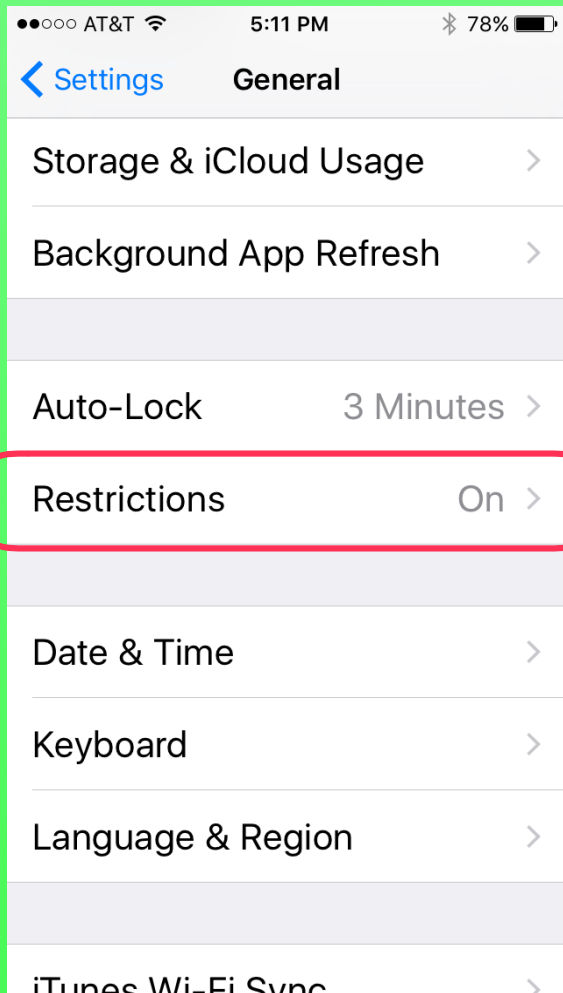
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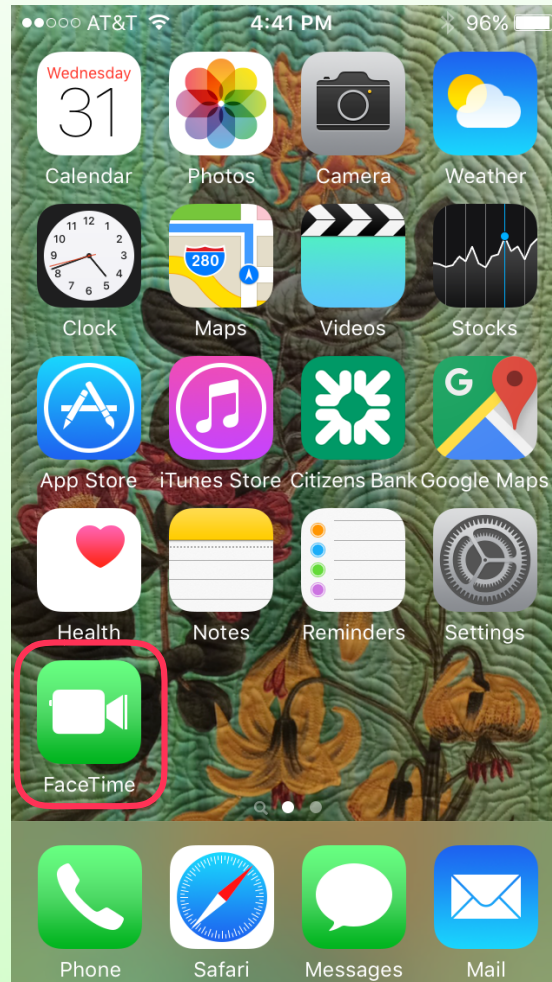
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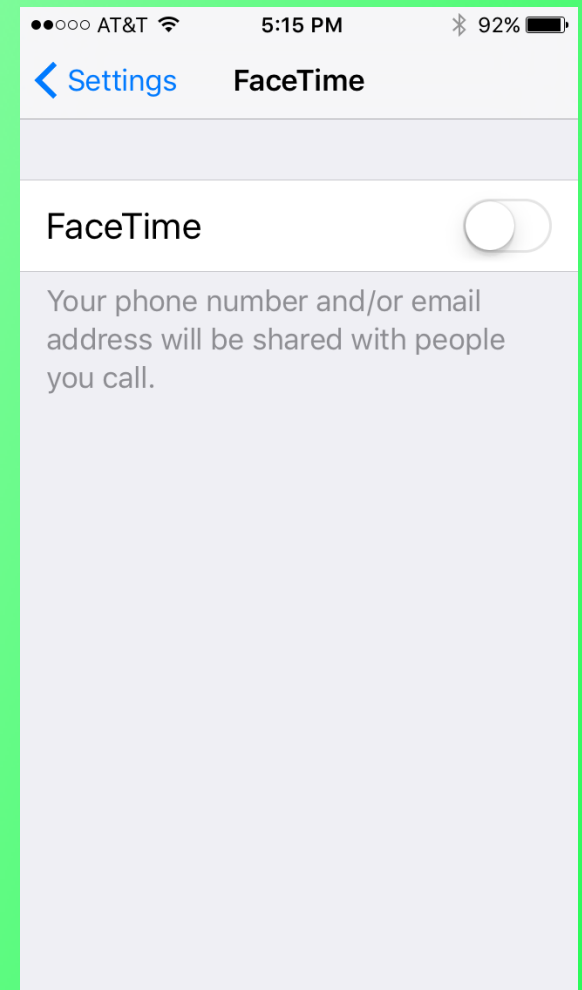
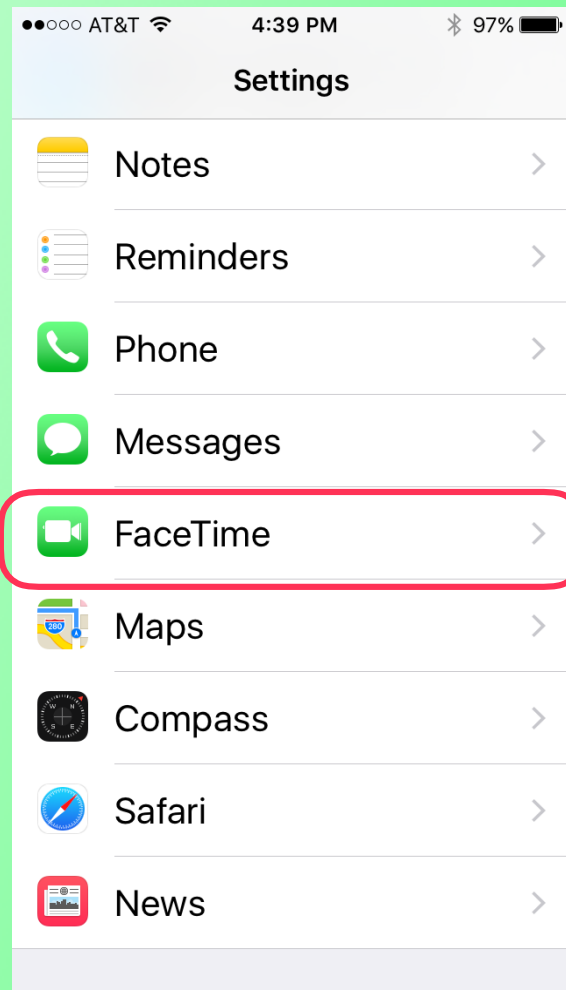
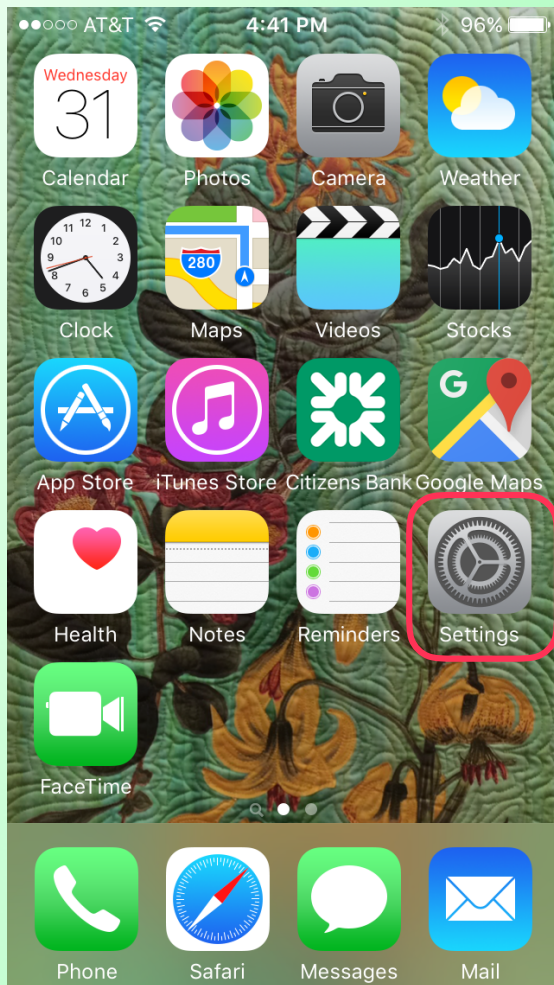
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Activate the app by pressing on the icon....



or by switching on FaceTime in Settings



As part of the activation, it will ask you for your Apple ID; What is the Apple ID?

- It is the same ID that is required for other Apple services such as the App Store, iTunes Store, iCloud, etc.
- The username is typically your email address
- The password is one of your own choosing. It pays to make it strong
- You can create a new Apple ID directly from FaceTime

## What are the restrictions to using FaceTime?

- ◆ FaceTime does not work on Microsoft based operating systems such as PC's or on Android mobile phones
- ◆ FaceTime must exist and be enabled on the other person's Apple device for it to work
- ◆ You can't video conference with more than one person at a time