# iPhone XS Review



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The iPhone Xs and Xs max are the latest phones launched by apple last year. These phones also have brought much needed feature upgrades that were needed by apple's previous flagship models. Though compared to current set of choices among smartphones, the iPhone XS isn't a winner in all aspects but it does strike a right balance when it comes to screen size and body ratio which is very important for user experience now a days.

Though when its predecessor iPhone X was launched, apple set a standard for majority of flagship devices by managing to pack edge-to-edge display, replacing the top bezel with a notch and doing away with the home button. This year as well, apple has managed to woo the competition by making iPhone Xs more powerful by using its A12 bionic processor, IP68 water protection and a massive 5.8 inch super retina display. Apart from that apple has also added a brand new gold colour to its current line up which honestly looks really good and has a premium appeal to it.

As far as the camera is concerned, the iPhone Xs has a dual camera setup (wide-angle lens and telephoto lens) which is capable of shooting 4K videos at 60fps. On the front side it sports a 7MP — TrueDepth camera which can shoot photos and videos at 1080p. This year's iPhone also comes with dual sim capability but with a twist i.e the iPhone XS only accepts the combination of Nano-SIM along with eSIM card.

Furthermore the iPhone Xs comes in 3 beautiful finishes — Gold, Silver & Space Grey along with 3 storage options — 64GB, 256GB and 512GB. Though a 128GB option would be much better as I think now a days, 64GB wont be enough to use iPhone Xs at its full capacity.

Coming to its design, this year's iPhone with the surgical-grade stainless steel but the screen and rear glass has a new formulation of glass which Apple says is the toughest ever used in a phone. The water-resistance has also been improved to IP68, up from IP67, therefore allowing it to be submerged at a depth of 2m for upto 30 minutes.

Performance wise, the all new A12 bionic processor is 15% faster than the previous A11 chip. With 8 cores, it is also 50% faster in terms of graphics performance and has 50% lower power usage in efficiency cores. According to apple the A12 chip is capable of processing upto trillion operations per second, considerably up from the 600 billion which the A11 could handle. This amount of powerful processing will also allow us to see more augmented reality based apps in the future. Moreover battery life has also been improved a little bit, allowing an additional 30 min extra screen time.

# **Key Specifications -**

- ∘ Display[ 5.80-inch (1125 x 2436)
- ∘ Processor Apple A12 Bionic
- ∘ Front Camera□ 7MP
- $\circ$  Rear Camera $\square$  12MP + 12MP (Wide-angle and Telephoto

lens)

- ∘ Storage
  □ 64GB, 256GB, 512GB
- ∘ iOS 12
- ∘ Price \_ Starting from ₹99,900

# Top 6 Features in iOS 13



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# **Highlights**

- Dark Mode
- Revamped Reminders App
- New privacy features
- New video editing tools in Photos App
- Quick Path Keyboard
- Fully functional browser experience

Apple released the annually iPhone update with iOS 13 at this year's WWDC. This next edition of the company's mobile operating system looks like quite an upgrade for both developers and users. Though this is not a public beta release, meaning you won't be able to install it before iOS 13 gets stable. We have made a list of the top 6 features that makes iOS 13 worth upgrading to.

#### 1. Dark Mode

Yes, the dark mode finally makes its entry to the iPhone. This was perhaps the most requested iOS feature of all time. The dark colour scheme is easier on the eyes and seems like a great way to use your iPhone, especially in low-light conditions. Moreover, apple also has implemented a feature allowing to automatically on the dark mode after the sunset and turns off at the sunrise which is quite a handy feature.

#### 2. Revamped Reminders App

Apple has also revamped the reminders app with a lot of features. All apart from a new user interface, there are now Smart Lists headlining the redesigned interface, which cleverly break your tasks out into groups by what needs doing Today, Scheduled, Flagged. Moreover, your list can now also have photos, links and documents in it. Furthermore the reminder now automatically fetches the date, time and the contact mentioned in the list and can later remind you about that on that particular time, a pretty neat feature.

# 3. New Privacy Feature

Perhaps one of my favourite one, Apple announced that it will be launching a "Sign in with Apple" privacy feature which will allow users to create an account on websites with there apple id. Though what makes it interesting is that unlike Google and Facebook, it won't be storing any sort of information about the user, which also means that you won't be bombarded with those smart ads that consume your personal information or

those marketing email that you never subscribed up for.

### 4. Video Editing Tools in the Photos App

With iOS 13, you can finally edit videos right inside the photos app. All those photo editing features of iOS 12 have made there way to videos as well. That means you can rotate, crop and even change the colour settings of the videos. iOS 13 now makes it easier to make quick edits to that footage, which is great for quick YouTube or social media videos.

## 5. Quick Path Keyboard

Remember installing those 3rd party apps like swiftkey to draw across the keyboard to type words? iOS 13 has built that right into its keyboard. Moreover, using your history of typing, it also gets smart at predicting your sentences which is pretty cool. This also results in way quicker and accurate typing than ever before!

## 6. Safari just got better

With iOS 13, you can now download videos, photos and documents right from the browser i.e no need for external 3rd party file manager to download your files anymore. This also follows up with updated safari's browsing experience which includes favourites, frequently visited websites, and the websites you've recently viewed along with an updated start page design.