About Your iPad

Your iPad has a few buttons and switches that you should know about, but the primary way to interact with your iPad is its Multitouch screen. This lesson will help you become familiar with the buttons, switches, and ports on your iPad.

**A** Sleep/Wake Button: Pressing the Sleep/Wake button locks the iPad if it’s in use, and is used to turn the iPad on or off.

**B** Rear Facing Camera (iPad 2 Only): Use the Camera app to take still photos or high-definition video using the rear camera.

**C** Headphone Jack: Plug headphones or external speakers into the headphone jack.

**D** FaceTime Camera (iPad 2 Only): Use with PhotoBooth to take photos or FaceTime for video chat.

**E** Multitouch Screen: The primary way to interact with your iPad, you tap, drag, pinch, and swipe your way through apps. The controls on the screen change based on the task at hand.

**F** Home Button: The most commonly-used button on your iPad. Press it to return to the Home Screen from an app, double-press it to access the Multitask Bar.

**G** Dock Connector: Connect your iPad to your computer to sync data, or connect the Dock Connecter to USB Cable to the USB Power Adapter to charge it.

**H** Speaker: If no headphones or external speakers are connected, sounds will play through the mono speaker.

**I** Volume Up/Down: Press the Volume Up button to increase the volume of music, video, and alert sounds, and press Volume Down to decrease the volume.

**J** Side Switch: The iPad’s software controls the purpose of this switch—by default the Side Switch toggles Mute, but it can also be configured to lock the iPad screen rotation.