Getting Around Quickly

This Quick Start Guide is meant to be just that—a tool that can help you jump right in and find information in this book, as well as learn the basics of how to get around and enjoy your iPhone right away.

We’ll start with the nuts and bolts in our “Learning Your Way Around” section, which covers what all the keys, buttons, switches, and symbols mean and do on your iPhone. In this section, you’ll see some handy features such as multitasking by double-clicking the Home button. You’ll also learn how to interact with the menus, submenus, and set switches—tasks that are required in almost every application on your iPhone. You’ll also find out how to read your connectivity status and what to do when you travel on an airplane.

TIP: Check out Chapter 2, “Typing Tips, Copy/Paste and Search” for great typing tips and more.

In the “Touch Screen Basics” section, we will help you learn how to touch, swipe, flick, zoom, and more.

Later, in the “App Reference Tables,” section, we’ve organized the app icons into general categories, so you can quickly browse through the icons and jump to a section in the book to learn more about the app a particular icon represents. This guide also includes several handy tables designed to help you get up and running with your iPhone quickly:

- Getting Started (Table 2)
- Stay Organized (Table 3)
- Be Entertained (Table 4)
- Stay Informed (Table 5)
- Network Socially (Table 6)
- Be Productive (Table 7)

So let’s get started!
Learning Your Way Around

To help you get comfortable with your iPhone, we start with the basics—what the buttons, keys, and switches do—and then move into how you start apps and navigate the menus. Probably the most important status indicator on your iPhone, besides the battery, is the one that shows network status in the upper right corner. Understand what these status icons do is crucial to getting the most out of your iPhone.

Keys, Buttons, and Switches

Figure 1 shows all the things you can do with the buttons, keys, switches, and ports on your iPhone. Go ahead and try out a few things to see what happens. Swipe left to search, swipe right to see more icons, try double-clicking the **Home** button to bring up the multitasking App Switcher bar, and press and hold the **Power/Sleep** key. Have some fun getting acquainted with your device.

**Figure 1.** The iPhone’s buttons, ports, switches and keys.