

Microsoft Copilot

What's new?

Copilot is a consistent experience across all your devices available as a side pane in your favorite applications and as an icon on your Windows taskbar. Copilot will uniquely incorporate the context and intelligence of the web, your work data, and what you are doing in the moment on your PC to provide better assistance – with your privacy and security at the forefront. It will be a simple and seamless experience, available in Windows 11, Microsoft 365, and in our web browser with Edge and Bing. Copilot will begin to roll out in the coming weeks and months.

Why use it?

- We are entering a new era of AI, one that is fundamentally changing how we relate to and benefit from technology. With the convergence of chat interfaces and large-language models you can now ask for what you want in natural language and the technology is smart enough to answer, create it, or take action. At Microsoft, we think about this as having a copilot to help navigate any task.
- Copilot in Windows empowers you to create faster, complete tasks with ease and lessens your cognitive load – making once complicated tasks, simple. We've made accessing the power of Copilot seamless as it's always right there for you on the taskbar or with the Win+C keyboard shortcut providing assistance alongside all your apps, on all screen sizes at work, school or at home.

When can I find it?

Copilot will begin to roll out in the coming weeks and months.

Where to find it?

Copilot will begin to roll out in its early form as part of our free Windows 11 update starting September 26th—and across Bing, Edge, and Microsoft 365 Copilot this Fall.

Microsoft September 2023 News – Windows – Features start becoming available September 26

Copilot in Windows

Copilot in Windows is available as a preview. It provides centralized AI assistance to help users save time and work more efficiently. For example, answer specific questions, summarize long texts, control and troubleshoot your PC.

Passkey

We are improving the passkey experience for Windows users, who will be able to go to any app or website that supports passkeys to create one and then use the Windows Hello native experience (face, fingerprint, PIN) to sign in.

Windows Backup

With Windows Backup, users can move their apps and personalized settings from one PC to another with their existing credentials, so their settings are “just there” when logging into a new device, making moving to a new PC a breeze.

Auto compose in Clipchamp

Clipchamp users can add their personal content to the auto compose feature, which finds the perfect highlights and automatically turns clips into a professionally designed video.

Presence Sensing

We are improving presence sensing in three ways including Adaptive Dimming, setting presence preferences during PC set up and empowering PC manufacturers to build presence-based solutions.

Paint Cocreator

Cocreator is available as a preview. Cocreator is a generative art text-to-image functionality where users can describe what they want to create in plain text. With AI, Paint will then generate an image from that description.

Gallery in File Explorer

Gallery is a new feature in File Explorer designed to make it easy to access your photo collection. It is optimized for accessing your most recently taken photos across all your feeds.

Snipping Tool

Screen recorder will now come with audio and mic support, and “text actions” mode will enable users to copy and redact text from a screenshot.

Narrator and Voice Access

Narrator uses natural, human voices and is now being expanded to new languages. Use voice access to login to your PC and access other areas on the lock screen.

Photos

Photos has new editing capability to effortlessly achieve stylish background blur effects. We’re also making it easier to find specific images backed up in One Drive in the Photos app.

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Windows 365 Boot GA

Windows 365 Boot allows you to log directly into your Windows 365 Cloud PC as the primary Windows experience on the device. Available on 9/26 with the latest Windows 11 update.

Windows 365 Switch GA

Windows 365 Switch provides the ability to easily move between a Windows 365 Cloud PC and the local desktop using the same familiar keyboard commands, as well as a mouse-click or a swipe gesture. Available on 9/26 with the latest Windows 11 update.

Taskbar improvements

Quickly identify and access any instance of each app housed in the taskbar with just one click. All instances of the app are ungrouped with labels. Easily hide Time and Date with a setting on the taskbar. End task from Taskbar: Quickly and easily shut down applications with a simple right click on the app directly from the taskbar without opening the Task Manager.

New Home Tab in Settings

Now you can manage all your Microsoft Account services, storage, and recommended settings in one place

Windows Hello for Business

Protect user identities by removing the need to use passwords. IT managers can set a policy for Microsoft Entra ID joined PCs to remove the password requirement when accessing secured company resources.

Intune with App Control for Business

Customers using Microsoft Intune to manage their PCs are now able to configure App Control for Business in the admin console, including setting up Intune as a managed installer.

Mobile Application Management (MAM) for Windows

Employees can now access organizational resources through Microsoft Edge from an unmanaged device, while giving IT the ability to control the conditions under which the resources can be accessed.

AI-Powered recommendations in File Explorer and Start

Business customers running Windows PCs in their organization will be able to access recommendations designed to help quickly and easily find the most relevant files based on their usage.

Notepad

Part of the latest update to Windows 11, Notepad will start automatically saving your session state, allowing you to close Notepad without any interrupting dialogs and then pick up where you left off when you return.

Instant Games

A new experience that lets you play your favorite casual game directly from the Microsoft Store on Windows without the need to download and install it on your Windows device.

Microsoft September 2023 News – Windows Developer

A new PC setup experience for developers on Windows

For the first time in Windows, "Development" intent is included in the OOBE experience. Users developing on Windows will be able to identify as a developer during the initial PC setup and Windows will customize the install experience catering to developer workloads.

Dev Home

Dev Home assists you in setting up your dev environment by downloading apps, packages, or repositories, lets you connect to your developer accounts and tools (such as GitHub) all in one place.

Dev Drive

A new type of storage volume, tailor-made for developers, with a file system that delivers both performance and security. Dev Drive is based on the Resilient File System (ReFS), which, combined with a new performance mode capability in Microsoft Defender for Antivirus, offers up to 30% file system improvement in build times for file I/O scenarios.

WinGet Configuration

Fast and reliable mechanism to help developers get ready to code in just a few clicks. It reduces the manual and error-prone setup process down to a single command. WinGet configuration uses a YAML format to include all the information required to achieve the desired state for your development environment.

Experimental features in WSL

Auto Memory Reclaim - WSL automatically releases cached memory back to Windows when idle, making its memory footprint much smaller on your machine
Disk space reclaim - The WSL virtual hard disk (VHD) will now automatically shrink when you remove files from it
New networking modes - Mirrored mode and DNS tunneling will give increased network compatibility, and Hyper-V firewall will let your Windows firewall rules apply to your WSL guest.

Microsoft September 2023 News – Microsoft Surface

Surface Laptop Studio 2

The Surface Laptop Studio 2 is the most powerful Surface we've ever built, turbocharged with the latest Intel® Core processors, latest cutting-edge NVIDIA® Studio tools for creators, touchscreen display and flexible design with three unique postures. **Available for pre-order beginning today.**

Surface Laptop Go 3

The Surface Laptop Go 3 is our lightest and most portable Surface Laptop, with a touchscreen display, and packed with premium features like an incredible typing experience and a Fingerprint Power Button, and it comes in four stylish colors. **New Surface devices available for pre-order beginning today.**

Surface Hub 3

Surface Hub 3 will now run the Microsoft Teams Rooms experience. Hub will now pair seamlessly with the entire catalog of Teams-certified devices and will now come to Hub on day one. **New Surface devices available for pre-order beginning today.**

Microsoft September 2023 News – M365 Copilot

Microsoft 365 Copilot GA – Nov 1

After months of learning alongside customers, Microsoft 365 Copilot- your AI assistant at work - will be generally available for enterprise customers on **November 1st**. We've also expanded our Early Access Program (EAP) to a select group of consumers and small business customers.

Copilot in Outlook, Excel, Word, Loop, OneNote, Stream, and OneDrive

We're continuing to add new Copilot experiences in the Microsoft 365 apps to ignite creativity and eliminate drudgery across work and life—using just your own words.

Outlook Tone Matching

We are improving how Copilot drafts your emails by adding "Sound like me" as a tone option when creating an email with Copilot. **Available early next year.**

Copilot Lab

With Copilot Lab, you can learn to turn a good prompt into a great one, share your favorite prompts with coworkers, and get inspired as we all learn how to work in a whole new way together. **Once it's generally available, Copilot Lab will be accessible to all Microsoft 365 Copilot users.**

Microsoft 365 Chat

Like an assistant, M365 Chat reasons across your entire universe of data at work—your emails, meetings, chats, documents, and more, plus the web—to tackle your to-do list in a fraction of the time. Preview customers can access it on Microsoft365.com, Teams, or Bing when signed in with their work account **today**.

Generative Expand, Fill and Erase in Microsoft Designer

Generative erase is generally **available to try today**—including improvements that make it even easier to quickly and accurately select the areas you want to erase within an image. **Generative fill and generative expand will be coming soon.**

Microsoft September 2023 News – Bing and Edge

Bing Chat Enterprise

Bing Chat Enterprise is now available in the Microsoft Edge mobile app and we're bringing support for multimodal visual search and Image Creator.

Coming soon.

Content Credentials

Content Credentials uses cryptographic methods to add an invisible digital watermark to all AI-generated images in Bing – including time and date it was originally created. We are enabling support for Content Credentials in Bing Image Creator, Microsoft Designer and Paint.

This will roll out soon.

Personalized Answers

Now, your chat history can inform your results. For example, if you've used Bing to track your favorite soccer team, next time you're planning a trip it can proactively tell you if the team is playing in your destination city. **Personalized answers will begin to roll out soon.**

Copilot in Microsoft Shopping

From Bing or Edge, find what you're looking for more quickly. When you ask for information on an item, Bing will ask additional questions to learn more, then use that info to provide more tailored recommendations. **Available soon on both PC and mobile.**

DALL-E 3 in Bing Image Creator and Microsoft Designer integration

Bing Image Creator will now be supported by DALL-E 3, with more realistic creations and better renderings for details. **This will roll out soon.** We're also integrating Bing Image Creator directly into Microsoft Designer for further editing.

Microsoft September 2023 News – Microsoft Advertising

Copilot in the Microsoft Advertising Platform

Copilot in the Microsoft Advertising Platform simplifies and enhances every aspect of your experience with the Microsoft Advertising Platform including campaign creation, content recommendations, and much more. **Coming soon.**

Compare & Decide Ads

Compare & Decide Ads pull all the relevant data of various car models into a succinct table so the user can easily evaluate different options based on the criteria they find most important. We will bring Compare & Decide Ads to closed beta in **early 2024.**