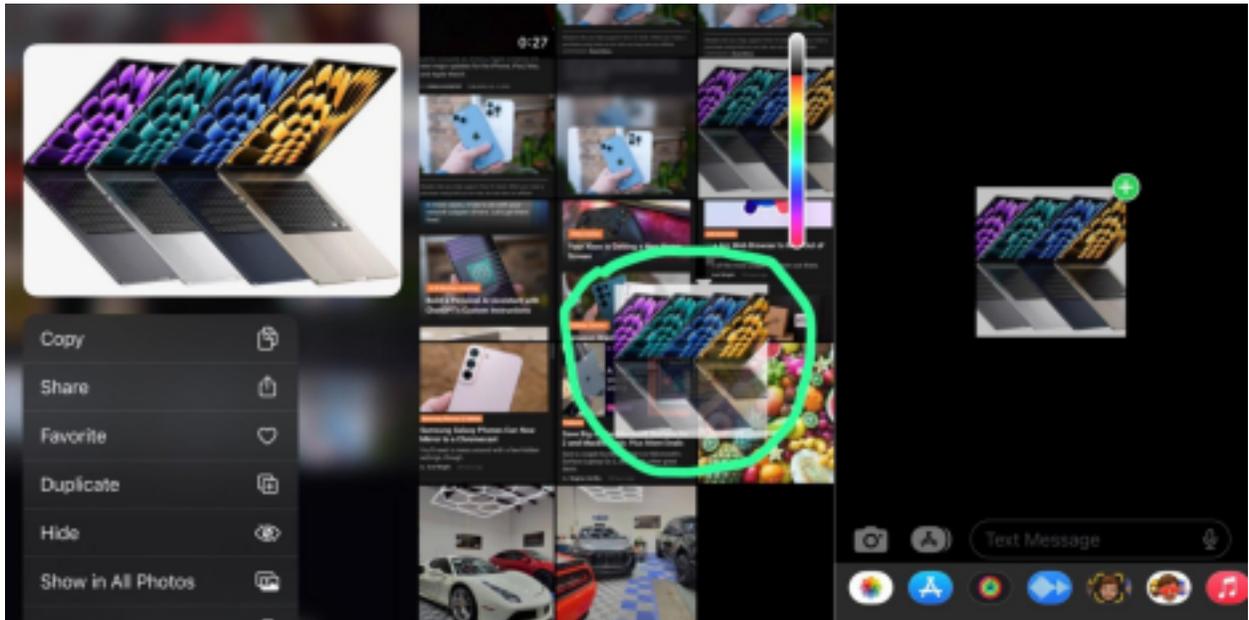


How To Drag and Drop Images Between iPhone Apps



Moving images using the copy-paste feature or the “share icon” is probably your method of sharing photos between the iPhone apps. However, [Apple’s drag-and-drop feature](#) is faster and more efficient. It’s a great feature that widens your options on photo sharing. Here’s how it’s done.

What is the Drag and Drop Feature?

The drag-and-drop feature on the iPhone helps users move images, texts, and documents by dragging them from various sources, such as the Photos app or websites on Safari, to destination apps like iMessage or Files.

You can take multi-tasking to the next level by fully harnessing this feature, especially when sharing images from Safari. [Even more, iOS 16](#) allows you to lift a subject from the background in a photo and move it to another app, an update that works hand-in-hand with the drag-and-drop feature.

Overall, Apple’s drag-and-drop feature expands your image-sharing options in a more seamless,

natural, and intuitive manner compared to the copy-paste feature.

How to Drag and Drop an Image Between iPhone Apps

First, make sure your iPhone is on iOS 15 or 16, as the feature is only available on these versions of ios. Next, move to an app that supports the drag-and-drop feature, [such as the Photos app](#) or Safari.

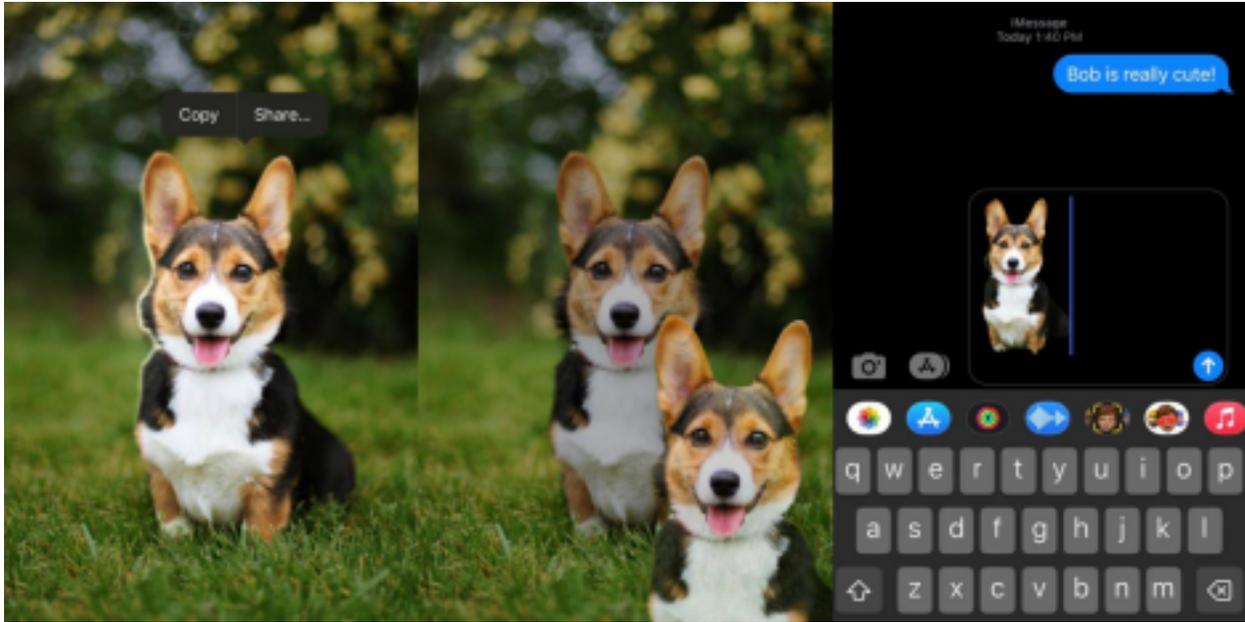
Hold a finger down on the specific picture you want to move on Photos, Safari, or any other apps supporting the feature and wait for a subtle vibration. After confirmation, wait a little longer and drag the photo toward any of the bottom [corners of your screen](#). If done correctly, the photo you moved should shrink to a miniature version.

Next, using a different finger, leave the app you are on and choose a specific destination app. Make sure your finger is still holding on to the photo to prevent it from reverting to its original destination.

After selecting a destination app, you can drop the photos when you see a plus sign appear at the top of the photo. The icon confirms that the destination app supports the feature, so it wouldn't appear on non-supporting apps.

How to Lift a Subject From an Image on the iPhone

iOS 16 allows you to lift a specific subject from an image in an efficient manner, an extension of the drag-and-drop feature launched on iOS 15. To use this feature, you'll need to select an image in the Photos app. Note that this feature works better with easily perceptible subjects, so the stronger the subject, the better.



Next, [press the picture down](#) with a finger or two and wait till a white line surrounding the subject appears. The white line shows what will be removed from the image, making it useful for images with multiple strong subjects.

When it appears, a prompt to **share or copy** the image pops up, allowing you to move the image to destination apps. You can also use the [drag-and-drop feature](#), explained in this article, to move the subject to your destination, as these features complement each other.

After following these suggestions, you should be able to utilize the drag-and-drop feature and ultimately lift a specific subject from an image on the iPhone.