## How to clear your iPhone cache in Safari

<u>Safari</u> is the default browser on iPhones, and you can clear your Safari cache in a few short steps. Starting with iOS 11, following this process will affect all devices signed in to your <u>iCloud account</u>. As a result, all your devices' caches will be cleared, and you'll need to sign in to everything the next time you use them. Here's what to do.

- 1. Open the **Settings** app on your iPhone.
- 2. Select Safari from the list of apps.
- 3. Go to Clear History and Website Data.
- **4**. Choose **Clear History and Data** in the pop-up box.

Then you're set!

Clearing the Cache in Chrome:

Chrome is another popular browser for iPhone users. Thankfully, Google has simplified the process for clearing your Chrome cache, making it much faster to clear your data.

- 1. Open the **Chrome** app.
- 2. Select the three dots in the bottom right to open more options.
- **3**. Choose **Clear Browsing Data** to open up another menu.
- **4**. Select the intended time range at the top of the menu (anywhere from Last Hour to All Time).
- **5**. Make sure that **Cookies, Site Data** is selected, along with **Cached Images and Files**. Finally, hit **Clear Browsing Data** at the bottom of the screen.

## How to clear your iPhone cache in Firefox

If you're a Firefox devotee, don't worry. Clearing the cache on your iPhone is straight forward. Just follow these steps.

- 1. Click the hamburger menu in the bottom right corner to open up options.
- 2. Choose **Settings** at the bottom of the menu.
- 3. Select **Data Management** in the Privacy section.
- **4**. You can select **Website Data** to clear data for individual sites, or select **Clear Private Data** at the bottom of the screen to clear data from all selected fields.

## What happens when you clear the cache?

Clearing your cache removes the website data your phone stored locally to prevent having to download that data upon each new visit. The data in your cache builds over time and can end up slowing things down if it becomes too bulky or out of date. (My phone had about 150MB of data stored in Chrome when I checked.) Clearing that data gives sites a fresh start, which may fix some loading errors and speed up your browser. However, clearing your cache also signs you out of pages, so be prepared to sign in to everything again.

## How often do I need to clear my cache?

Most people only need to clear their caches once every month or two. That's generally the point when your browser will build up a cache large enough to start slowing things down. If you frequent a large number of sites, you should err on the side of clearing your cache more often.

Your iPhone Has a Built-In Photo Tool That's Like Photoshop Visual Look Up:

Technically, the tap-and-lift photo feature is part of Visual Look Up, which was first launched with iOS 15 and can recognize objects in your photos such as plants, food, landmarks and even pets. In iOS 16, Visual Look Up lets you lift that object out of a photo or PDF by doing nothing more than tapping and holding.

You can also use Visual Look Up to research confusing laundry tags and those warning lights on your dashboard. You no longer need to flip through a user manual – apple automated the process for you!