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Introduction

The iPhone is a success not because well over 100 million of them have been sold (or, I should say, not only because well over 100 million of them have been sold; that's a lot of phones!), but because the iPhone, in just a few years, has reached the status of a cultural icon. Even people who don't care much for gadgets in general and cell phones in particular know about the iPhone. And for those of us who do care about gadgets, the iPhone elicits a kind of technological longing that can only be satisfied in one way: by buying one (or, in my case, by buying all six versions!).

Part of the iconic status of the iPhone comes from its gorgeous design and remarkable interface, which makes all the standard tasks — surfing, e-mailing, texting, scheduling, and playing — easy and intuitive. But just as an attractive face or an easygoing manner can hide a personality of complexity and depth, so too does the iPhone hide many of its most useful and interesting features.

When you want to get beyond the basics of iPhone and solve some of its riddles, you might consider making an appointment with the Genius Bar at your local Apple Store. More often than not, the on-duty genius gives you good advice on how to get your iPhone to do what you want it to do. The Genius Bar is a great thing, but it isn't always a convenient thing. In some cases, you may even need to leave your iPhone for a while (No!) to get the problem checked out and, hopefully, resolved.

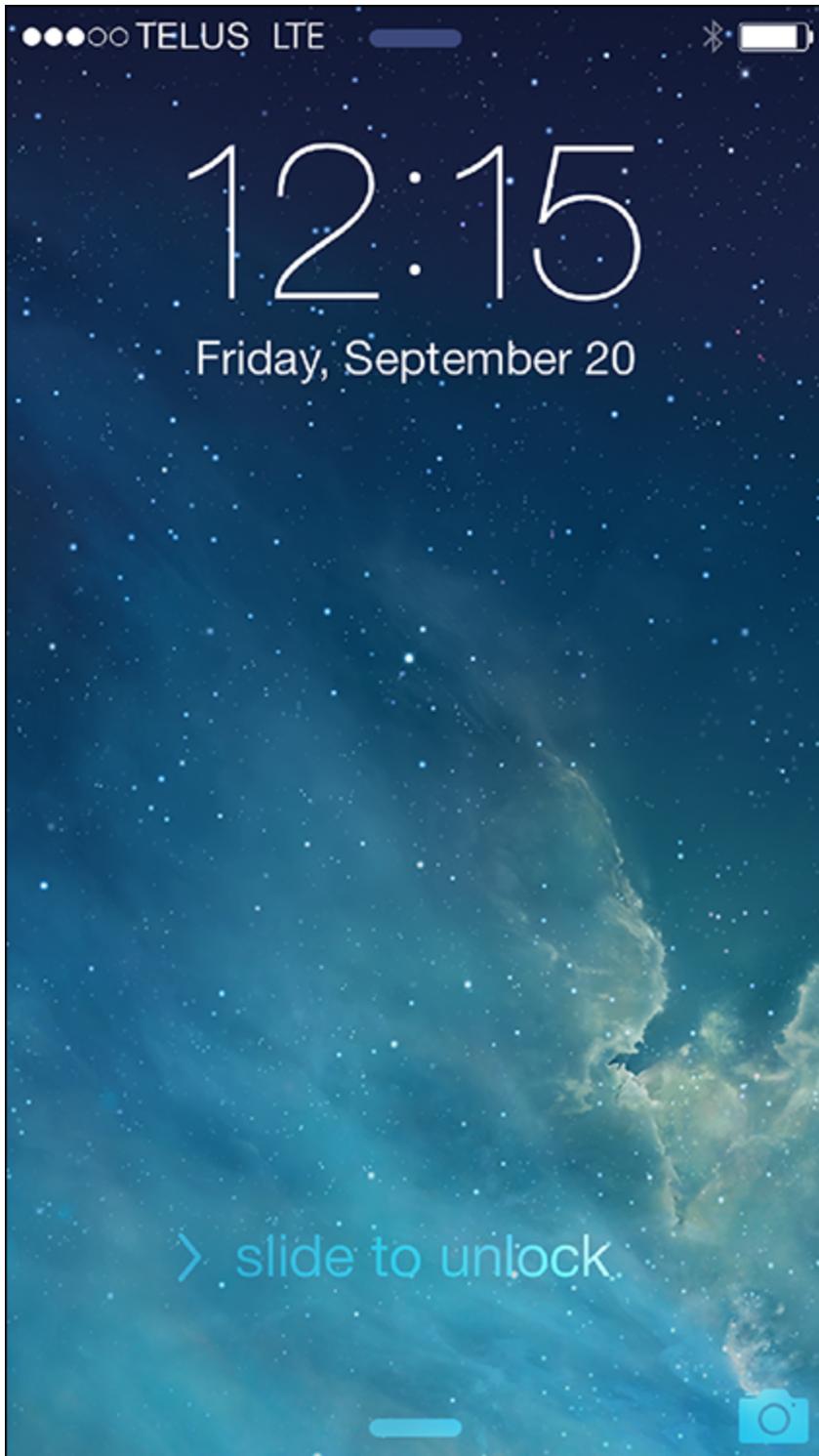
What you really need is a version of the Genius Bar that's easier to access, more convenient, and doesn't require tons of time or leaving your iPhone in the hands of a stranger. What you really need is a portable genius that enables you to be more productive and solve problems — wherever you and your iPhone happen to be.

Welcome, therefore, to iPhone 5s and 5c Portable Genius. This book is like a mini Genius Bar all wrapped up in an easy-to-use, easy-to-access, and eminently portable format. In this book, you learn how to get more out of your iPhone by accessing all the really powerful and time-saving features that aren't obvious at a casual glance. In this book, you learn about all of the amazing new features found in the iPhone 5s and 5c and in iOS 7, such as the iPhone 5s fingerprint sensor, Control Center, Activation Lock, Twitter links, AirDrop, iTunes Radio, and much more. In this book, you learn how to prevent iPhone problems from occurring and (just in case your preventative measures are for naught) how to fix many common problems.

This book is for iPhone users who know the basics but want to take their iPhone education to a higher level. It's a book for people who want to be more productive, more efficient, more creative, and more self-sufficient (at least as far as the iPhone goes). It's a book for people who use their iPhone every day but would like to incorporate it into more of their day-to-day activities. It's a book I had a blast writing, so I think it's a book you'll enjoy reading.

Chapter 1

How Do I Start Using My iPhone?

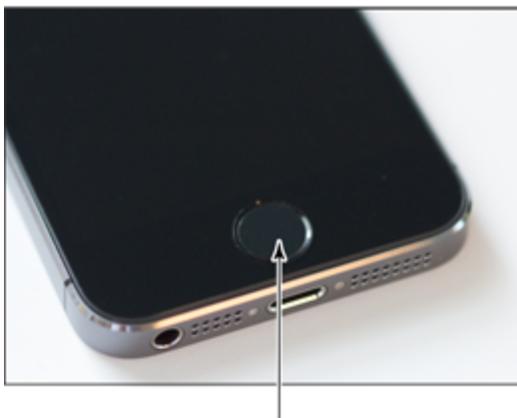


When you first look at your iPhone, you notice its sleek, curvaceous design, and then you notice what might be its most remarkable feature: no buttons! Unlike your garden-variety smartphone bristling with keys and switches and

ports, your iPhone has very few physical buttons. This makes for a stylish, possibly even sexy, design, but it also leads to an obvious problem out of the box: How do you work the darn thing? This chapter solves that problem by giving you the grand tour of your iPhone. You learn about the few physical buttons on the phone, and then I show you the real heart of the iPhone, the remarkable touchscreen.

Using the Home Button

The starting point for most of your iPhone excursions is the Home button, which is the circular button on the face of the phone at the bottom, as shown in Figure 1.1. The Home button has five main functions:



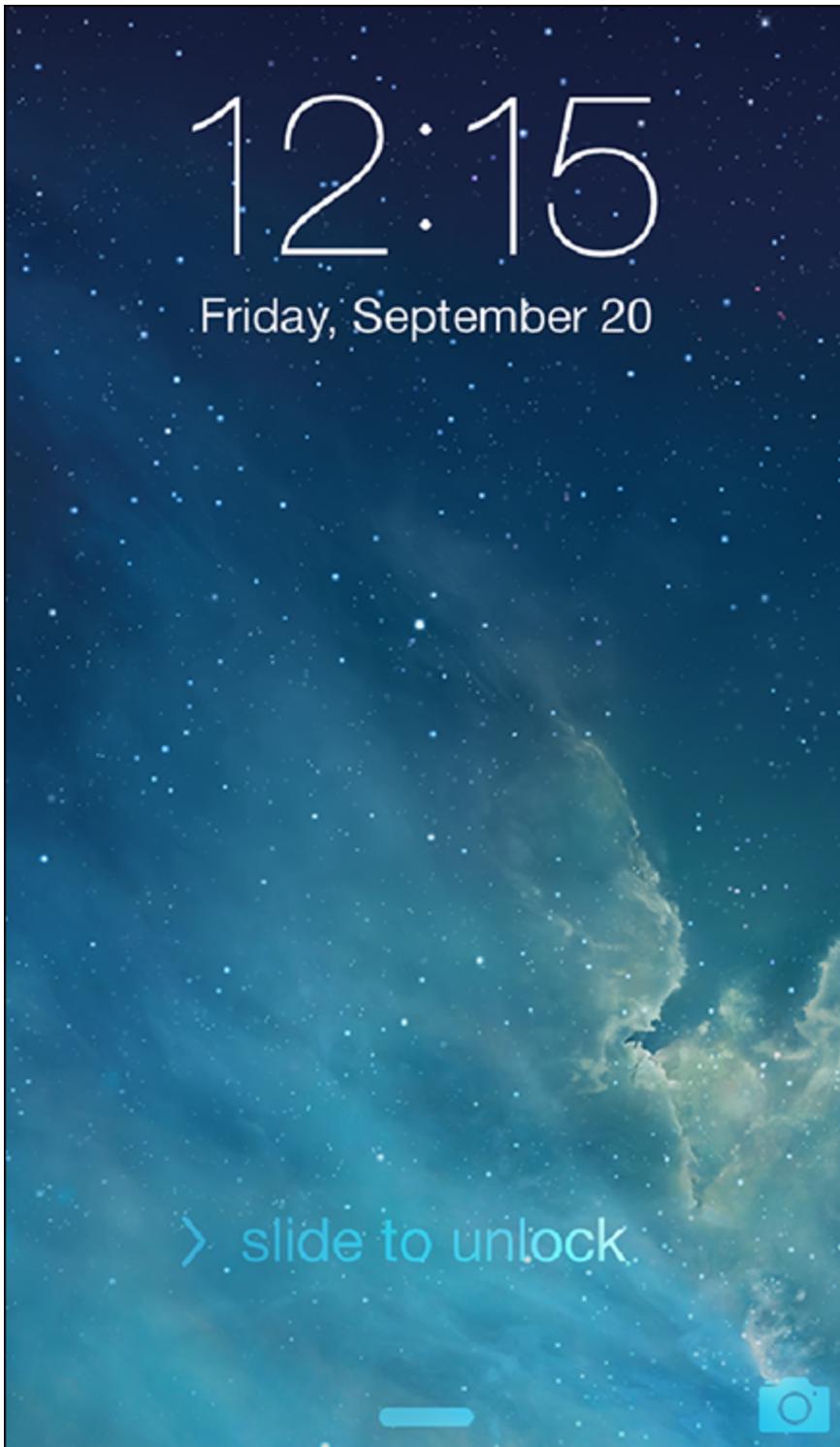
The Home button

1.1 Press the Home button to (among other things) leave standby mode or to return to the Home screen.

- When the iPhone is in standby mode, pressing the Home button wakes the iPhone and displays the unlock screen.
- When the unlock screen is displayed, leave your thumb (or whichever finger you've trained) on the Home button to unlock your iPhone using your fingerprint.

- When the iPhone is running, pressing the Home button returns the iPhone to the Home screen.
- Pressing and holding the Home button invokes Siri, which enables you to control many iPhone features using voice commands. (If Siri is turned off, pressing and holding the Home button invokes Voice Control, Siri's predecessor.)
- Double-pressing the Home button displays the multitasking bar, which enables you to quickly switch between your running apps (see the section on switching between running apps later in this chapter).

If your iPhone is in standby mode, press the Home button to display the slide to unlock screen, shown in Figure 1.2. (The iPhone displays this screen for up to about 8 seconds, and if you don't do anything the phone just drops back into standby mode.) Place your finger on the left side of the screen and slide it to the right side of the screen. This unlocks the iPhone and displays the Home screen.



1.2 Slide your finger along the screen from left to right to unlock your iPhone.