

## **Allegory, a best in class iOS 13 notes app**

TL;DR: A beautiful notes app with all the new iOS 13 features, using brilliant custom animations whilst retaining an iOS-centric UI. Focus on writing, whilst retaining powerful features. It contains dark mode support, a standalone Watch app, universal app, Today Extension, iMessage Stickers, Siri shortcuts, iCloud sync, CoreHaptics, VisionKit, ContextMenus, Natural Language, PencilKit, export to files, markdown support, biometric locks, custom app icons and themes, URL Schemes, custom share extension, accessibility and VoiceOver enhancements, it's localised, and much more.

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Allegory is a beautiful and powerful notes app with a heavy focus on new iOS 13 features. The slick animations complement the app's iOS-centric UI, whilst the powerful set of features enhance the usability.

The app was born out of a need for a markdown editor that removes all the complexity whilst retaining its power and customisation. Most markdown editors have a lot of buttons and options that can often be daunting for users; Allegory removes that complexity, presenting a minimal UI that's welcoming for casual writers and note-takers as well as more attuned authors, making it a great app for people to pick up regardless of their background and skill level.

The app immediately launches to the note editor screen, reducing friction between wanting to write down what you've just thought of, and actually getting it written down (settings options exist to choose the list of notes as the start page instead if that's more preferable). Support for valid markdown exists when composing notes via keyboard characters (this can also be changed to a custom Allegory markdown style instead for ease of use). Using the # character can be used to add and search for tags across all notes.

Allegory also includes a brilliant hand-crafted drawing area which lets you select from a variety of colors, long-holding on any of the pencils brings the pencil into focus with sliders to adjust the opacity and stroke size with gorgeous animations that strike awe. This also uses PencilKit to work with an Apple Pencil on an iPad.

You can bookmark and set due dates on any note from anywhere in the app regardless of where you are, which makes performing essential actions entirely seamless, further reducing friction for users. This is further enhanced via Context Menus new to iOS 13. Push notifications are sent out for notes that are due, and can be searched for within the app using natural language such as 'today', 'yesterday', and 'last week' amongst other ways.

A Watch app, Complications, a universal app, a Today Extension, iMessage Stickers, Siri shortcuts, and iCloud sync make the experience even greater, keeping all your notes in sync across devices without any effort on the user's part, whilst presenting all their info wherever they want to access it from. Changing app icons, tint colors, markdown styles, and so much more makes it a joy to use for everyone, regardless of their own preferences. You can also create notes from Safari, Notes, or any other app via its share sheet so that you never have to miss a thought or idea.

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Allegory has the following features and qualities:

- Supports dark mode (with hand-picked colors)
- Standalone Watch app
- Watch app Complications for every Complication type
- Uses 3D Touch UIContextMenu and 3D Touch quick actions - VisionKit document scanning and addition as text

- VisionKit image to text conversion
- Custom CoreHaptics for precise haptics
- Using LinkPresentation link previews for presenting lists of URLs
- UIInterpolatingMotionEffect for parallax shadows and motion
- Universal app
- Text classification, sentiment analysis, and related words (synonyms) using NaturalLanguage
- PencilKit support for drawing
- Today Extension widget
- iMessage stickers
- Multiple custom app icons and tints
- Markdown text styling support (custom and valid markdown too)
- Supports dynamic text sizing
- Custom iPad keyboard shortcut commands
- Accessibility labels app-wide for VoiceOver
- URL schemes support
- SiriKit custom shortcuts
- Export notes to TXT, MD, PDF, HTML, and images
- Keyboard haptics option
- Document picker support
- Push notifications
- Biometric FaceID/TouchID app locks
- Seamless iCloud notes and settings syncing
- Custom share extension to create notes from other apps
- Low power mode checks within the app, which automatically reduces motion and parallax
- Reduce motion accessibility checks within the app, which automatically reduces motion
- Uses SF Symbols
- Gorgeous UI and intuitive gestures and custom UIKit animations
- Localized (English US, English UK - with Arabic, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Polish, Spanish, and Russian coming very soon)
- No data collected or shared with third parties, at all