

# MacBook Air (15-inch, M3, 2024) - Tech Specs

Year introduced: 2024

Silver

**Finish** 

Starlight

Space Grey Midnight

Apple M3 chip

Chip 8-core CPU with 4 performance cores and 4 efficiency cores

10-core GPU

Hardware-accelerated ray tracing

16-core Neural Engine

100GB/s memory bandwidth

Media Engine

Hardware-accelerated H.264, HEVC, ProRes and ProRes RAW

Video decode engine Video encode engine

ProRes encode and decode engine

AV1 decode engine

# Liquid Retina display

# Display

15.3-inch (diagonal) LED-backlit display with IPS technology;<sup>1</sup>

2880x1864 native resolution at 224 pixels per inch

500 nits brightness

Colour

Support for 1 billion colours

Wide colour (P3)
True Tone technology

# Memory

16GB unified memory

Configurable to 24GB

8GB unified memory

Configurable to 16GB or 24GB

# Battery and Power<sup>2</sup>

Up to 18 hours Apple TV app movie playback

Up to 15 hours wireless web

66.5-watt-hour lithium-polymer battery 35W Dual USB-C Port Power Adapter

USB-C to MagSafe 3 Cable

Fast-charge capable with 70W USB-C Power Adapter

256GB SSD

# Storage<sup>3</sup>

Configurable to 512GB, 1TB or 2TB

# MagSafe 3 port

# **Charging and Expansion**

3.5mm headphone jack

Two Thunderbolt / USB 4 ports with support for:

Charging
DisplayPort

Thunderbolt 3 (up to 40Gb/s)

USB 4 (up to 40Gb/s)

# **Display Support**

Simultaneously supports full native resolution on the built-in display at 1 billion colours and:

One external display with up to 6K resolution at 60Hz

Close the MacBook Air lid to use a second external display with up to 5K

resolution at 60Hz

Supported formats include HEVC, H.264, AV1 and ProRes

Video Playback HDR with Dolby Vision, HDR10 and HLG

Supported formats include AAC, MP3, Apple Lossless, FLAC, Dolby

Digital, Dolby Digital Plus and Dolby Atmos **Audio Playback** 

**Backlit Magic Keyboard with:** 

**Keyboard and Trackpad** 78 (US) or 79 (ISO) keys including 12 full-height function keys and 4

arrow keys in an inverted "T" arrangement

Touch ID

Ambient light sensor

Force Touch trackpad for precise cursor control and pressure-sensing capabilities; enables Force clicks, accelerators, pressure-sensitive

drawing and Multi-Touch gestures

Wi-Fi

Wireless

Wi-Fi 6E (802.11ax)4

Bluetooth

Bluetooth 5.3

1080p FaceTime HD camera

Camera Advanced image signal processor with computational video

Six-speaker sound system with force-cancelling woofers **Audio** 

Support for Spatial Audio when playing music or video with Dolby Atmos

on built-in speakers

Spatial Audio with dynamic head tracking when using AirPods (3rd

generation), AirPods Pro and AirPods Max Three-mic array with directional beamforming

Voice Isolation and Wide Spectrum microphone modes

Enhanced voice clarity in audio and video calls

3.5mm headphone jack with advanced support for high-impedance

headphones

Line voltage: 100V to 240V AC **Operating Requirements** Frequency: 50Hz to 60Hz

Operating temperature: 10° to 35° C (50° to 95° F) Storage temperature: -25° to 45° C (-13° to 113° F)

Relative humidity: 0% to 90% non-condensing

Operating altitude: tested up to 3,000 metres (10,000 feet) Maximum storage altitude: 4,500 metres (15,000 feet) Maximum shipping altitude: 10,500 metres (35,000 feet)

# Size and Weight

Height: 1.15 cm (0.45 inches) Width: 34.04 cm (13.40 inches) Depth: 23.76 cm (9.35 inches) Weight: 1.51 kg (3.3 pounds)5

#### macOS

# **Operating System**

macOS is the most advanced desktop operating system in the world. And with macOS Sonoma, work and play on your Mac are even more powerful — with new ways to elevate your video presentations, boost your gaming performance and personalise your device.

Learn more about latest operating system

# Accessibility

Accessibility features help people with disabilities get the most out of their new MacBook Air. With built-in support for vision, hearing, mobility and learning, you can create and do amazing things.

Learn more about Accessibility

#### Features include:

Voice Control Reduce Motion VoiceOver Switch Control Siri and Dictation Zoom

Increase Contrast

# Built-in Apps<sup>6</sup>

App Store Mail Preview **Books** Maps QuickTime Player Calendar Messages Reminders Contacts Music Safari FaceTime News Shortcuts Siri Find My Notes Freeform Numbers Stocks GarageBand Pages Time Machine TV Home Photo Booth

**Photos** Voice Memos iMovie

Keynote **Podcasts** 

15-inch MacBook Air

In the Box 35W Dual USB-C Port Power Adapter

USB-C to MagSafe 3 Cable (2m)

# Configure to Order

Configure your MacBook Air with these options at apple.com:

16GB or 24GB unified memory

512GB, 1TB or 2TB SSD 70W USB-C Power Adapter

# MacBook Air and the Environment

# MacBook Air is designed with the following features to reduce its environmental impact:7

See the 15-inch MacBook Air with M3 chip Product Environmental Report (PDF).

#### Made with better materials

Made with 50% recycled content, including:

100% recycled aluminium in the enclosure

100% recycled tin in the solder and gold in the plating of multiple printed circuit boards

100% recycled rare earth elements in all magnets, representing 99% of the rare earth elements in the device

100% recycled cobalt in the battery<sup>8</sup> and magnets of the MagSafe connector

100% recycled copper in the main logic board — an Apple first

90% recycled steel in the battery tray, keyboard feature plate and trackpad beam plate

35% or more recycled plastic in multiple components

#### **Energy efficient**

ENERGY STAR® certified9

## Smarter chemistry<sup>10</sup>

Arsenic-free display glass

Mercury-, BFR- and PVC-free

#### Green manufacturing

No established final assembly supplier sites generate any waste sent to landfill<sup>11</sup>

Over 25% of manufacturing electricity sourced from supplier clean energy projects<sup>12</sup>

# Responsible packaging

100% of virgin wood fibre comes from responsibly managed forests 99% fibre-based packaging due to our work to remove plastic from packaging<sup>13</sup>

# Progress towards our 2030 goal

Reduced emissions for MacBook Air with M3 chip by over 40% against our baseline<sup>14</sup>

## Apple and the Environment

Today, Apple is carbon neutral for global corporate operations, and we are focused on our Apple 2030 goal to make every product carbon neutral.

See Apple's commitment

Declared noise emission values in accordance with ECMA-109

# **Acoustic Performance**

Sound Power Level	Sound Pressure Level	
<i>L</i> <sub>WA,m</sub> (B)	Operator Position	
	$L_{\rho A,m}$ (dB)	
1.3 (K <sub>V</sub> = 0.3)	3	
	<i>L</i> <sub>WA,m</sub> (B)	

Wireless web	$1.3 (K_V = 0.3)$	4
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- 1.  $L_{WA,m}$  is the mean A-weighted sound power level, rounded to the nearest 0.1 B.
- 2.  $L_{pA,m}$  is the mean A-weighted sound pressure level measured at operator position (rounded to the nearest 1 dB).
- 3.1 B (bel) = 10 dB (decibel).
- 4.  $K_v$  is the statistical adder for computing upper-limit of A-weighted sound power level.
- 5. The quantity,  $L_{WA,c}$  (formerly called  $L_{WAd}$ ) may be computed from the sum of  $L_{WA,m}$  and  $K_v$ .
- The wireless web test browses 6 tabs with a mix of content including media
- 7. Configuration tested: M3, 8-core CPU / 10-core GPU, 8GB unified memory, 512GB storage.
- 1. Screen size is measured diagonally. The displays on the 13-inch and 15-inch MacBook Air have rounded corners at the top. When measured as a standard rectangular shape, the screens are 13.6 inches and 15.3 inches diagonally (actual viewable area is less).
- 2. Testing conducted by Apple in January 2024 using pre-production 15-inch MacBook Air systems with Apple M3, 8-core CPU and 10-core GPU, and pre-production 13-inch MacBook Air systems with Apple M3, 8-core CPU and 8-core GPU, all configured with 8GB of RAM and 256GB SSD. Testing conducted by Apple in May 2022 using pre-production 13-inch MacBook Air systems with Apple M2, 8-core CPU, 8-core GPU, 8GB of RAM and 256GB SSD. The wireless web test measures battery life by wirelessly browsing 25 popular websites with display brightness set to 8 clicks from bottom. The Apple TV app movie playback test measures battery life by playing back HD 1080p content with display brightness set to 8 clicks from bottom. Battery life varies by use and configuration. See <a href="mailto:apple.com/uk/batteries">apple.com/uk/batteries</a> for more information.
- 3. 1GB = 1 billion bytes and 1TB = 1 trillion bytes; actual formatted capacity less.
- 4. Wi-Fi 6E available in countries and regions where supported.
- 5. Weight varies by configuration and manufacturing process.
- 6. iMovie, GarageBand, Pages, Numbers and Keynote are available on the Mac App Store. Downloading apps requires an Apple ID and a device that is compatible with the OS version required for each app.
- 7. Data accurate as of product launch.
- 8. Recycled cobalt in the battery uses mass balance allocation.
- 9. ENERGY STAR and the ENERGY STAR mark are registered trademarks owned by the US Environmental Protection Agency.
- 10. Apple's Regulated Substances Specification describes Apple's restrictions on the use of certain chemical substances in materials in Apple products, accessories, manufacturing processes, and packaging used for shipping products to Apple's end customers. Restrictions are derived from international laws or directives, regulatory agencies, eco-label requirements, environmental standards and Apple policies. Every Apple product is free of PVC and phthalates except for AC power leads in India, Thailand (for two-pin AC power leads) and the Republic of Korea, where we continue to seek government approval for our PVC and phthalates replacement. Apple products comply with the European Union Directive 2011/65/EU and its amendments, including exemptions for the use of lead such as high-temperature solder. Apple is working to phase out the use of these exempted substances for new products where technically possible.
- 11. All established final assembly supplier sites those that have been Apple suppliers for more than one year for MacBook Air are third-party verified as Zero Waste by UL LLC (UL 2799 Standard). UL requires at least 90 per cent diversion through methods other than waste to energy to achieve Zero Waste to Landfill (Silver 90–94 per cent, Gold 95–99 per cent and Platinum 100 per cent) designations.
- 12. We estimate the percentage of electricity-related emissions in our manufacturing that is sourced from clean electricity by attributing to our carbon model clean energy procured by our suppliers in the prior fiscal year, based on the supplier manufacturing allocations at time of product launch. Included in this number is only clean electricity that Apple or its suppliers have procured as part of Apple's Supplier Clean Energy Programme.
- 13. Breakdown of US retail packaging by weight. Adhesives, inks and coatings are excluded from our calculations of plastic content and packaging weight.
- 14. Carbon reductions are calculated against a baseline scenario: 1) No use of clean electricity for manufacturing or product use, beyond what is already available on the latest modelled grid (based on regional emissions factors). 2) Apple's carbon intensity of key materials as of 2015 (our baseline year for our 2030 product carbon-neutrality goal). Carbon intensity of materials reflects use of recycled content and production technology. 3) Apple's average mix of transport modes (air, rail, sea, land) by product line across three years (fiscal years 2017 to 2019) to best capture the baseline transport emissions of our products.

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