

How to Access iMessage on iCloud

This wikiHow teaches you how to access iMessages on iCloud. With iOS 11.4 iMessages are now available on iCloud. This means that your messages sync across all your devices. Messages you receive or delete on your iPhone will also carry over...

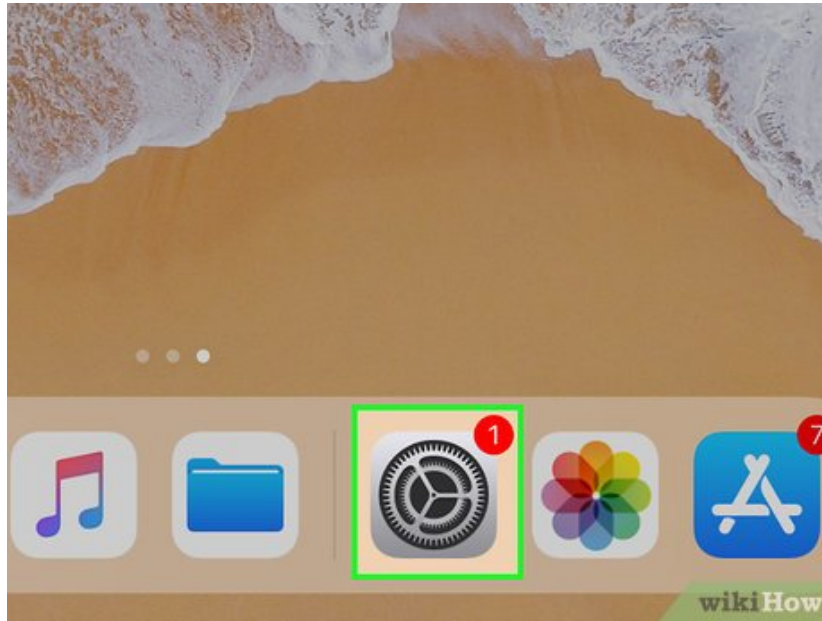
Method 1 of 2:

On iPhone and iPad



Update to iOS 11.4. If you haven't already done so, update the operating system on your iPhone to iOS 11.4 or later. Read "How To Update iOS" to learn how to update latest version of iOS on your iPhone or iPad.

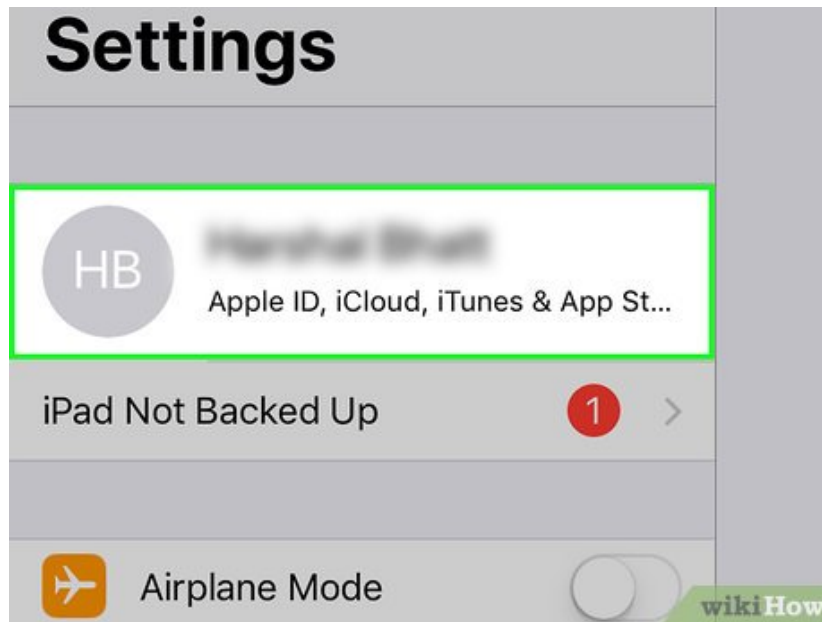
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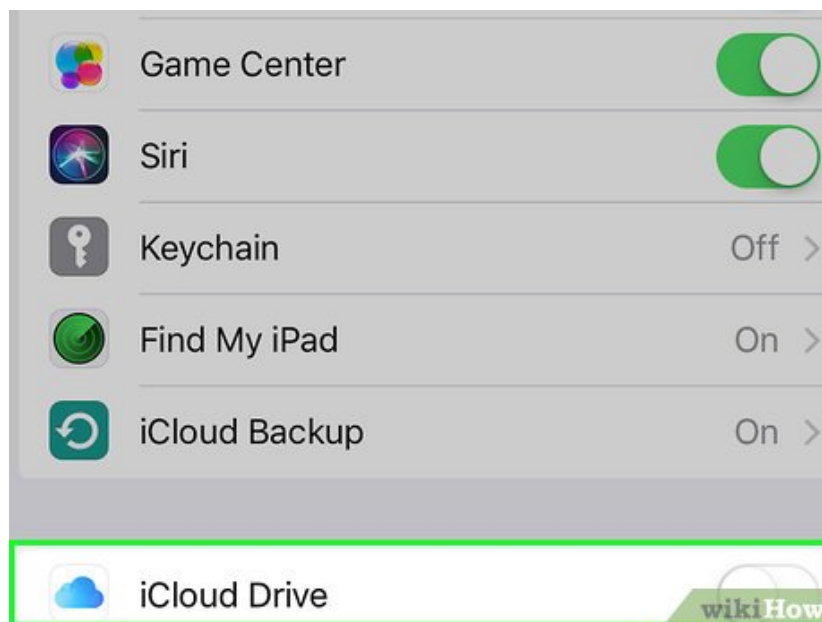
Open the Settings



app. The Settings app has an icon that resembles two gears. It's on your home screen.



Tap your name. Your name is at the top of the Settings menu next to your profile picture. This opens the Apple ID menu.



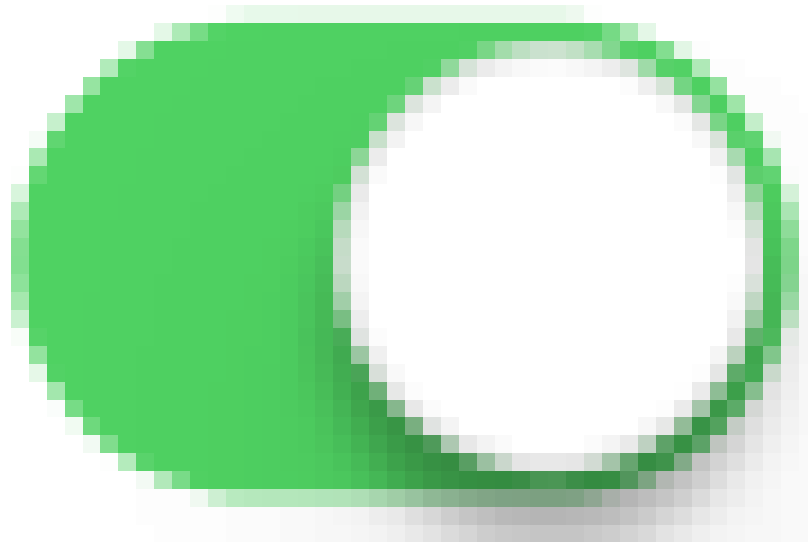
Tap



iCloud. It's next to the icon that resembles a blue cloud.



Tap the switch



next to



Messages. The Messages or iMessage app has a green icon with a white speech bubble. This enable iMessage messages to be stored on iCloud.^[2]

Method 2 of 2:

On Mac

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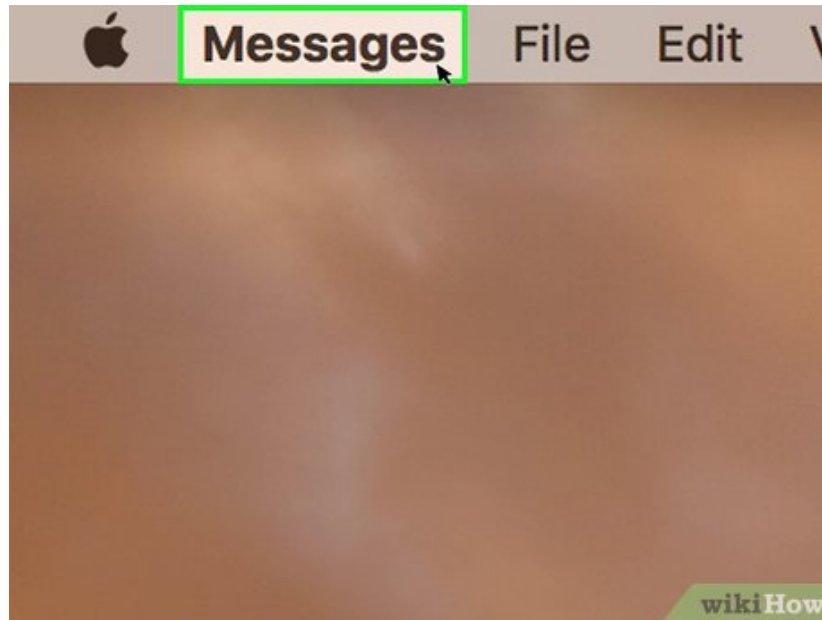
Update to MacOS High Sierra. If you don't have the latest version of MacOS, you need to update to MacOS 10.13.5 to enable Messages on iCloud. Read "How to Upgrade Mac System Software" to learn how to upgrade to the latest version of MacOS.

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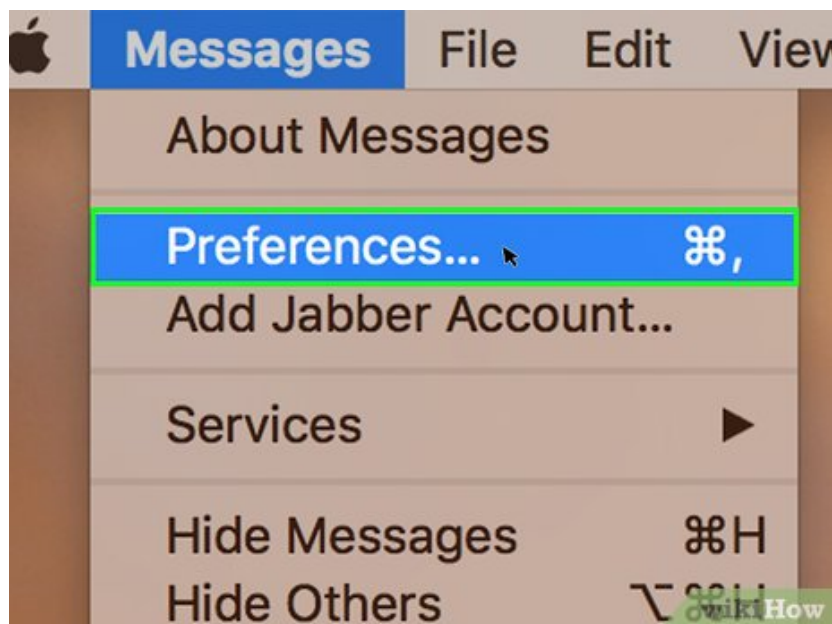
Open Messages. Messages is the app that has a large blue speech bubble and a small white speech bubble.

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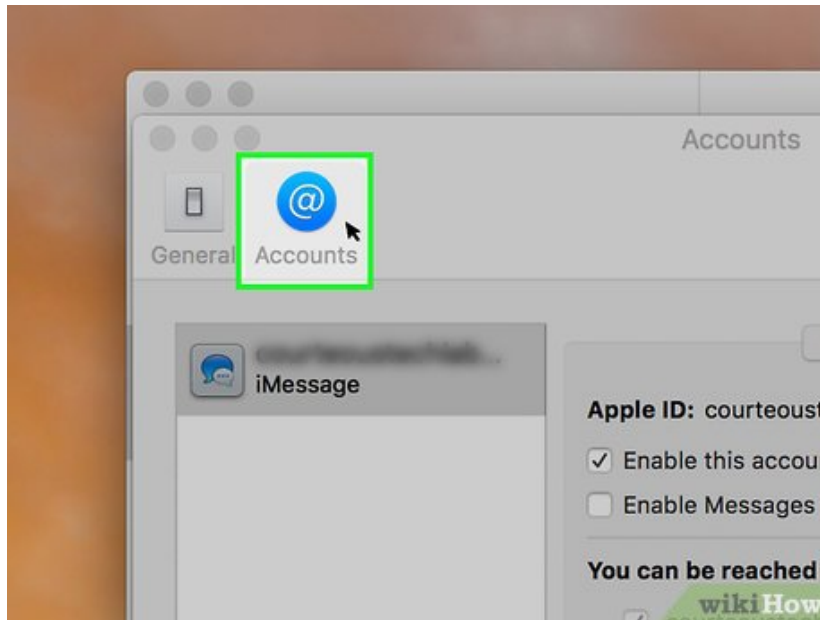
Click **Messages**. It's in the upper-right corner of the screen in the menu bar when the Messages app is open.

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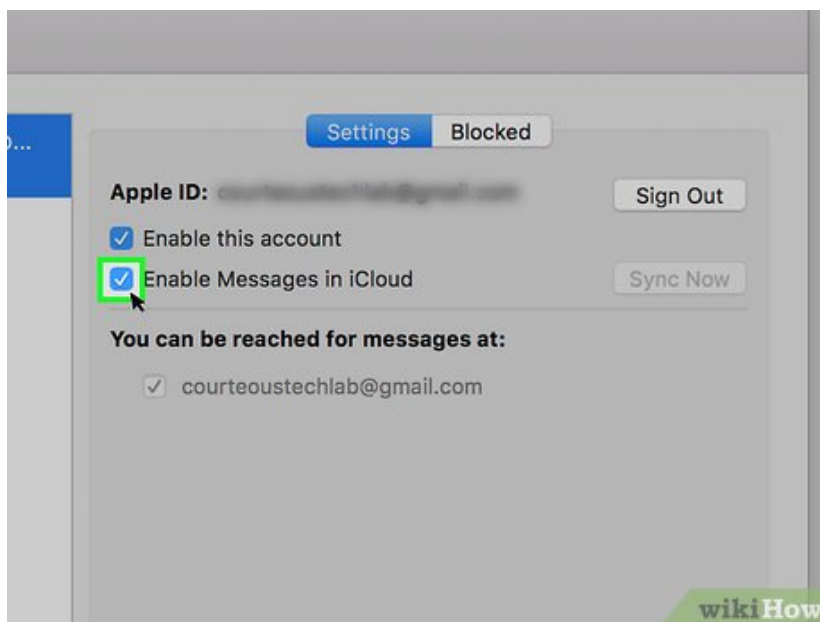
Click **Preferences**. It's in the Messages menu. This opens the Preferences app.

5.



Click the **Accounts** tab. It's the second tab at the top of the Preferences window. It has an icon with a blue circle with a white "@" sign in the middle.

6.



Check **"Enable Messages in iCloud"**. It has a checkbox next to it you can check under the "Account tab" in the preferences window. This enables iMessage messages to be stored on iCloud.^[3]

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