

How to use iPhone as a remote control with Home Sharing

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In today's article, let **TipsMake.com** learn how to use iPhone as a remote control in macOS.

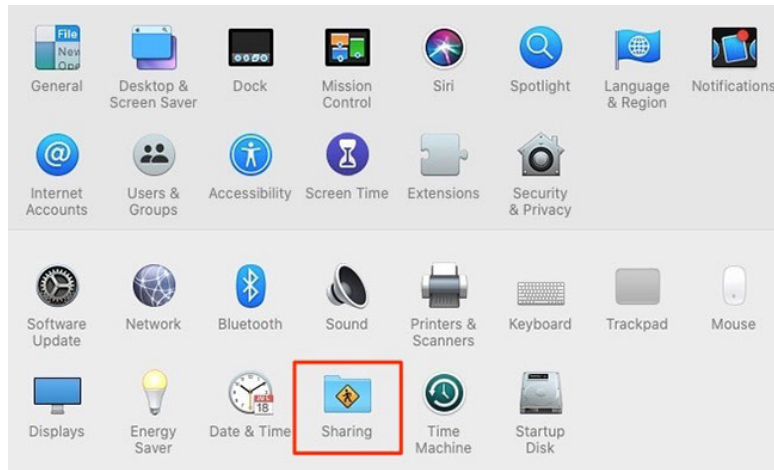
The original way to use iPhone as a remote control

A year ago, the original way to use iPhone as a remote for macOS would be completely different. MacOS Mojave is the last Mac software version to use the program that everyone hates, iTunes. With the launch of macOS Catalina, Apple removed iTunes and replaced it with Apple Music and Apple TV. The good news is that using the iPhone as a remote has not disappeared. Just a little different than before.

Before you get into the steps, it's important to use the same Apple ID on all your devices if you want to go root. This step is very important, as you will need to enable '**Home Sharing**' and only work if all devices are on the same network, using the same Apple ID. If this is not the case, then you can set up everything to control music, movies and TV shows with your iPhone.

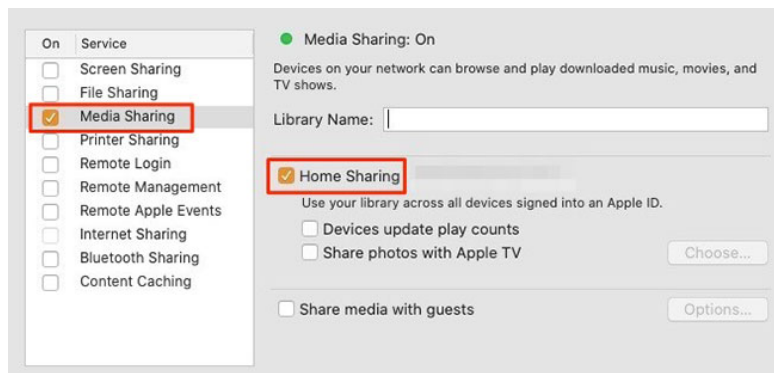
Set up everything on a Mac

Unlike previous macOS systems, the Home Sharing feature has been moved to **System Preferences**. To get there, you need to go to the upper left corner of the screen and click on the Apple icon. Select the '**System Preferences**' option. When the '**System Preferences**' menu appears, the bottom row of the main options is '**Sharing**'. It is a blue folder with a yellow warning logo.



Home Sharing icon

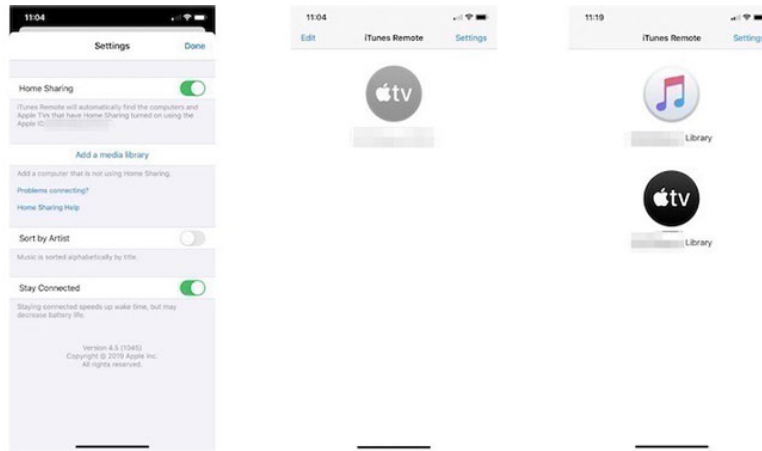
When you open that option, you'll see a bunch of services that can be turned on / off. For the purpose of the article, select '**Media Sharing**' on the left and then '**Home Sharing**'. After clicking on '**Home Sharing**' , a prompt will open asking you to enter your Apple ID. It is important that the Apple ID you enter here must be the same as the Apple ID on the iPhone. After the import is complete, click '**Turn On Home Sharing**' .



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iPhone setup

Apple's Remote app is quite simple and now it's time to download the app. When you open the application for the first time, click **Settings** near the top right. To control music, go to **Settings> Music** . To control the music on your computer, the Apple Music application must be open. The media files too.



Apple Remote app

To control whatever media content you have on Apple TV, whether purchased or your own, go to **Settings**>**Accounts**> **Home Sharing** . Again, the same rule applies: The Apple TV app must be open on the computer to work.

When both of these apps are enabled, you are now free to use your iPhone as a remote control. When you open the app each time, you will see a music icon or TV icon taking you to the library. From there, you can pause, play, start and select any existing content to watch or listen to. Very simple!

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