

Key takeaways

- The Duplicates album in the Photos app makes it easy to merge and remove duplicate photos, freeing up storage effortlessly.
- For deeper scanning and cleanup, third-party apps like CleanMyPhone can detect similar photos with subtle variations.
- This guide also provides tips to prevent duplicate photos and maintain an uncluttered photo library.

Duplicate photos on iPhone can be a real headache. Not only can they quickly eat up your storage space, but they can also make it harder to find the specific photos you're looking for in your library.



Fortunately, it's possible to identify and delete duplicate photos on your iPhone. In this guide, I'll explain how to find duplicate photos on iPhone and remove them quickly regardless of their iOS or iPadOS version, and reclaim your storage.

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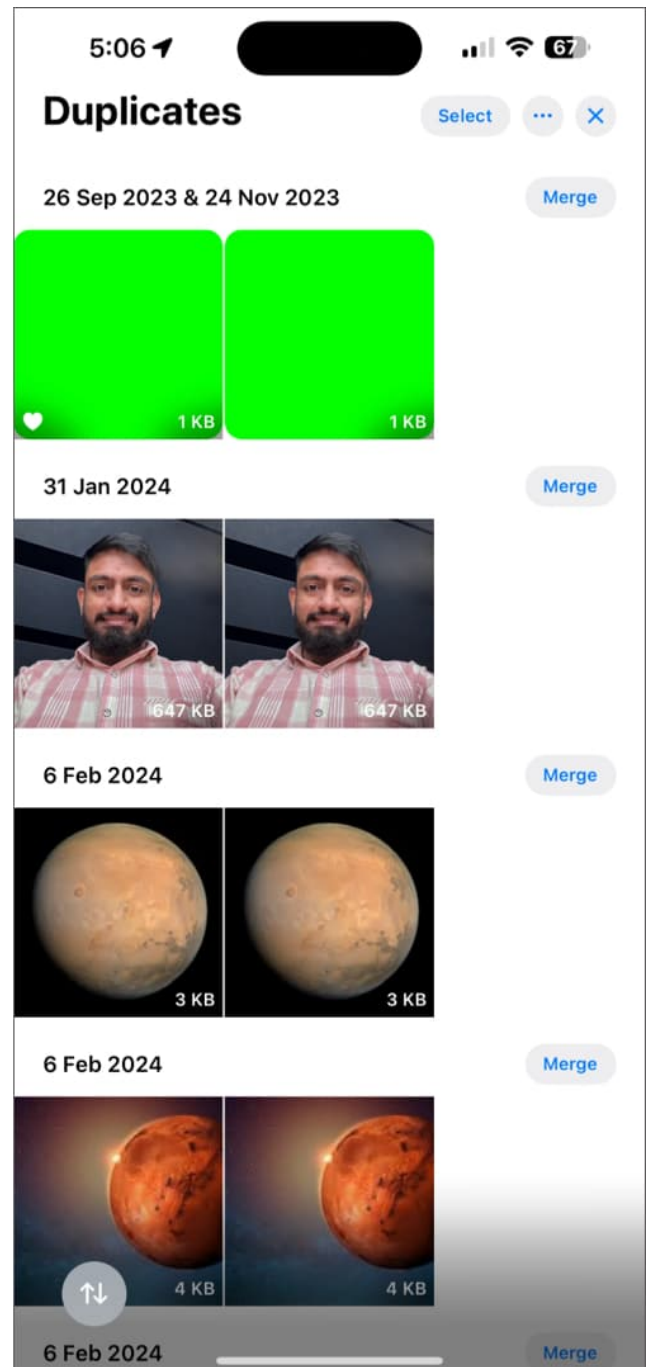
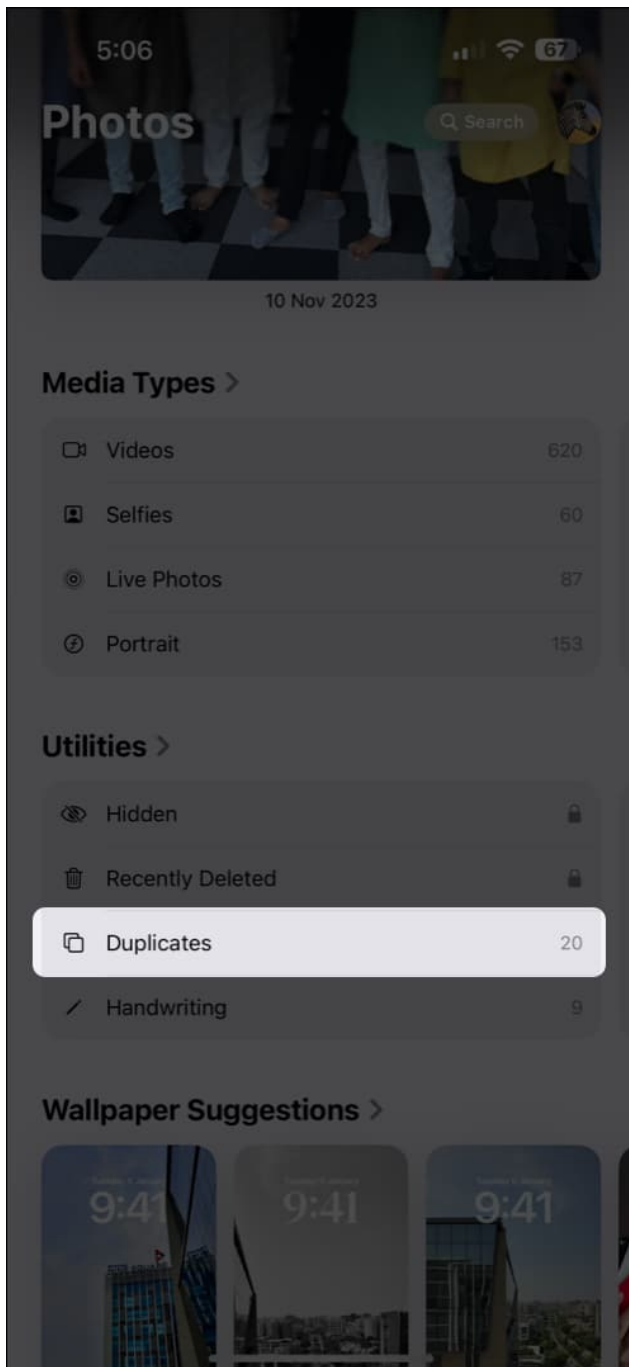
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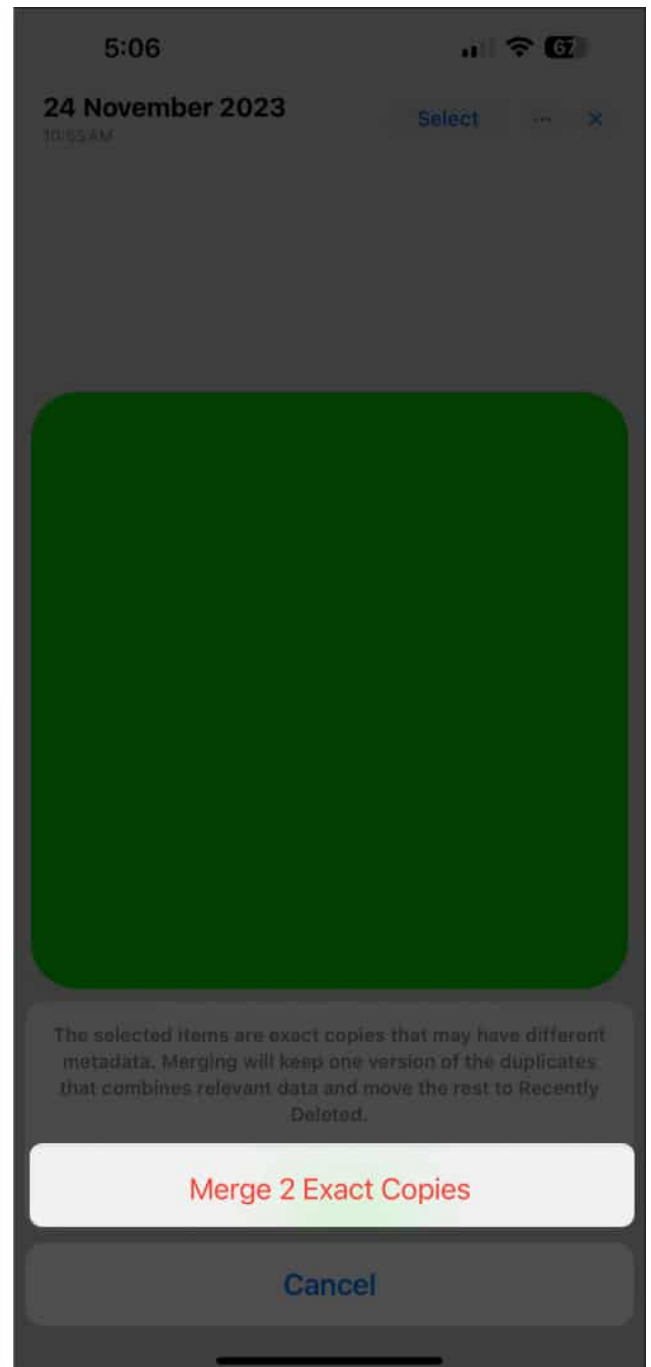
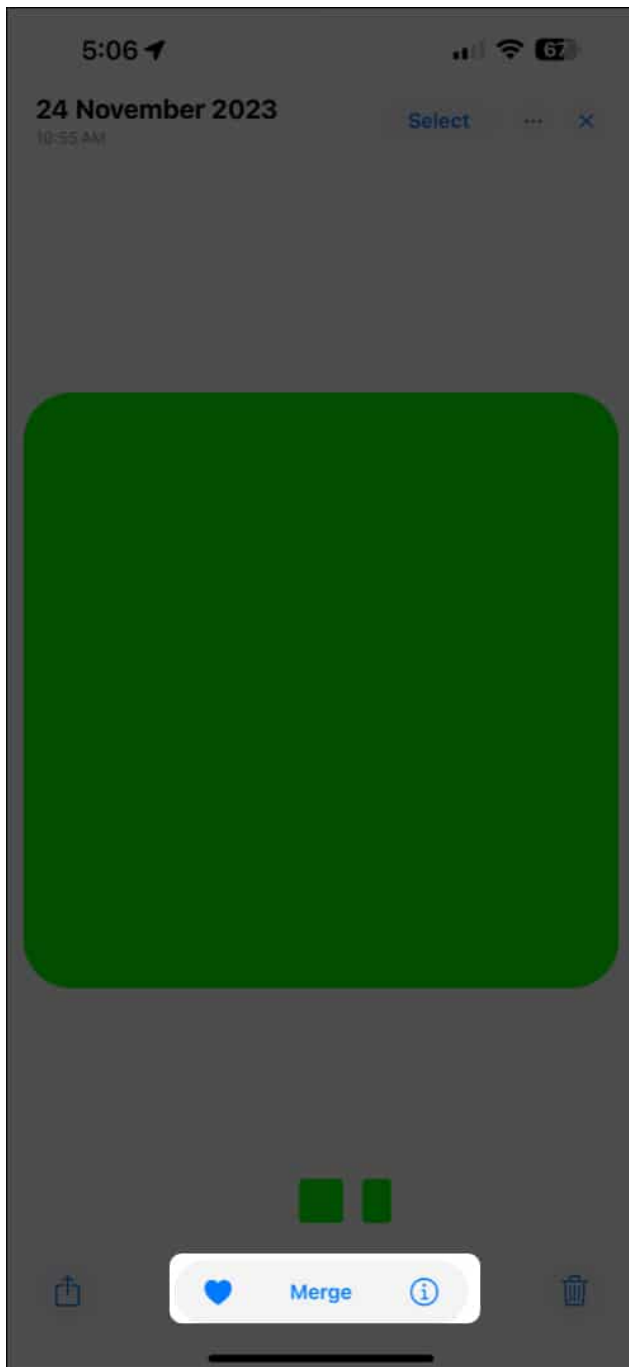
How to find and delete duplicate photos on iPhone

Starting from iOS 16 and iPadOS 16, Apple's Photos app offers a built-in utility to find and merge duplicate photos on your iPhone and iPad. While the [Photos app has been redesigned in iOS 18](#), the steps to merge duplicate photos are the same. Let's check them out:

1. Open the **Photos** app on your iPhone or iPad.
2. Go to the **Albums** tab.
3. Scroll down to the bottom and tap **Duplicates** under **Utilities**.



4. Preview the duplicates and tap **Merge**. Then tap **Merge X Exact Copies** to confirm merging photos.



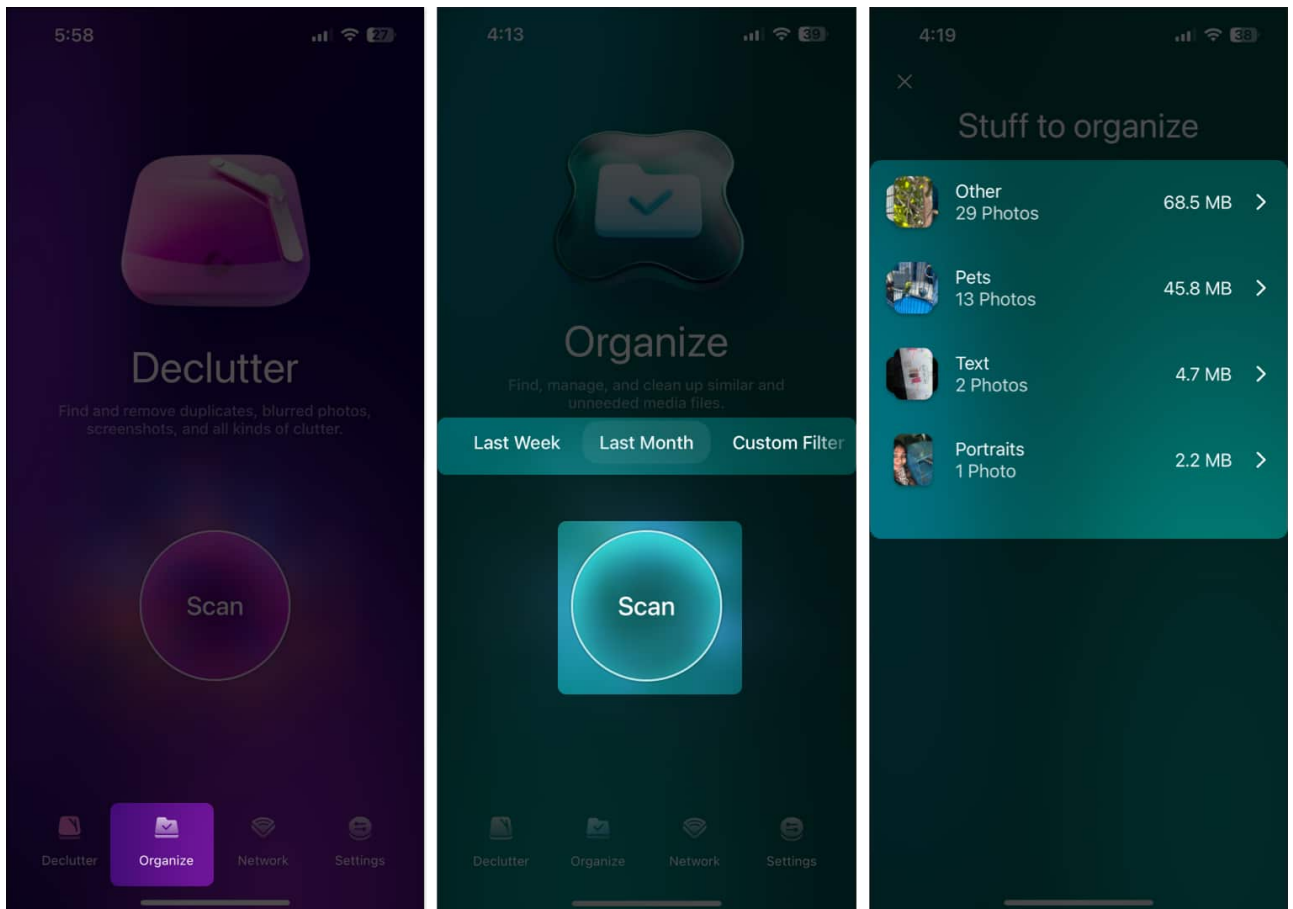
5. If you want to merge multiple photos at once, tap on **Select** in the top-right corner of the screen.
6. Tap **Select All** to select all the images and tap **Merge (X items)** at the bottom.
7. Tap **Merge X Exact Copies** to confirm your action and delete the duplicate images.

How to delete duplicate photos on iPhone with CleanMyPhone

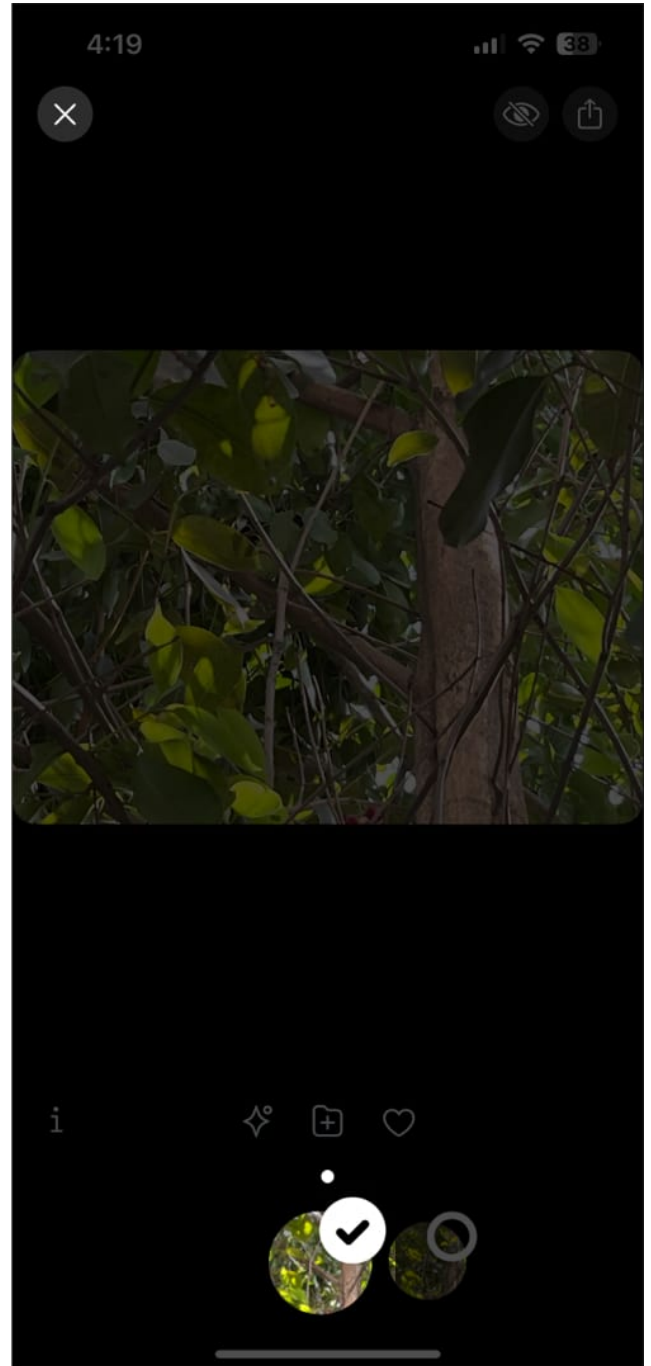
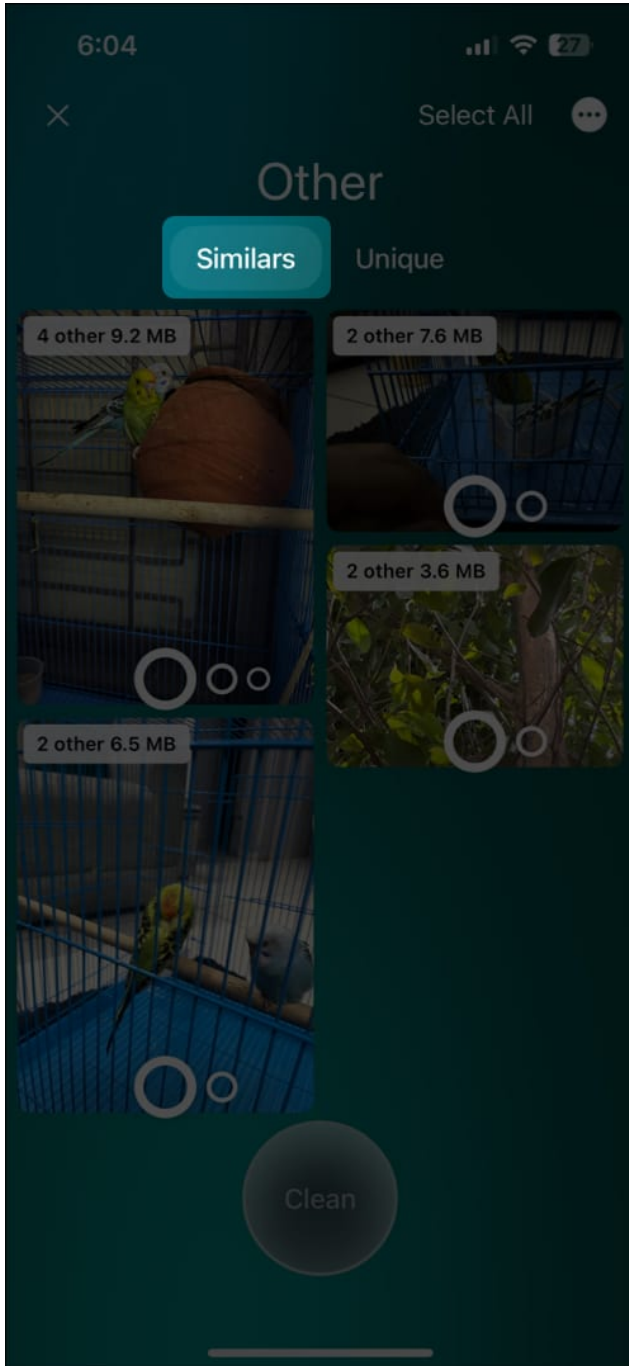
While the Photos app offers a way to merge duplicate photos, it can only identify similar photos with minor variations on devices compatible with iOS 16 and later. If you're looking for a better way to delete duplicate photos, a third-party app like CleanMyPhone can be a helpful option.

Here's how you to use CleanMyPhone to delete duplicate photos on your iPhone and iPad:

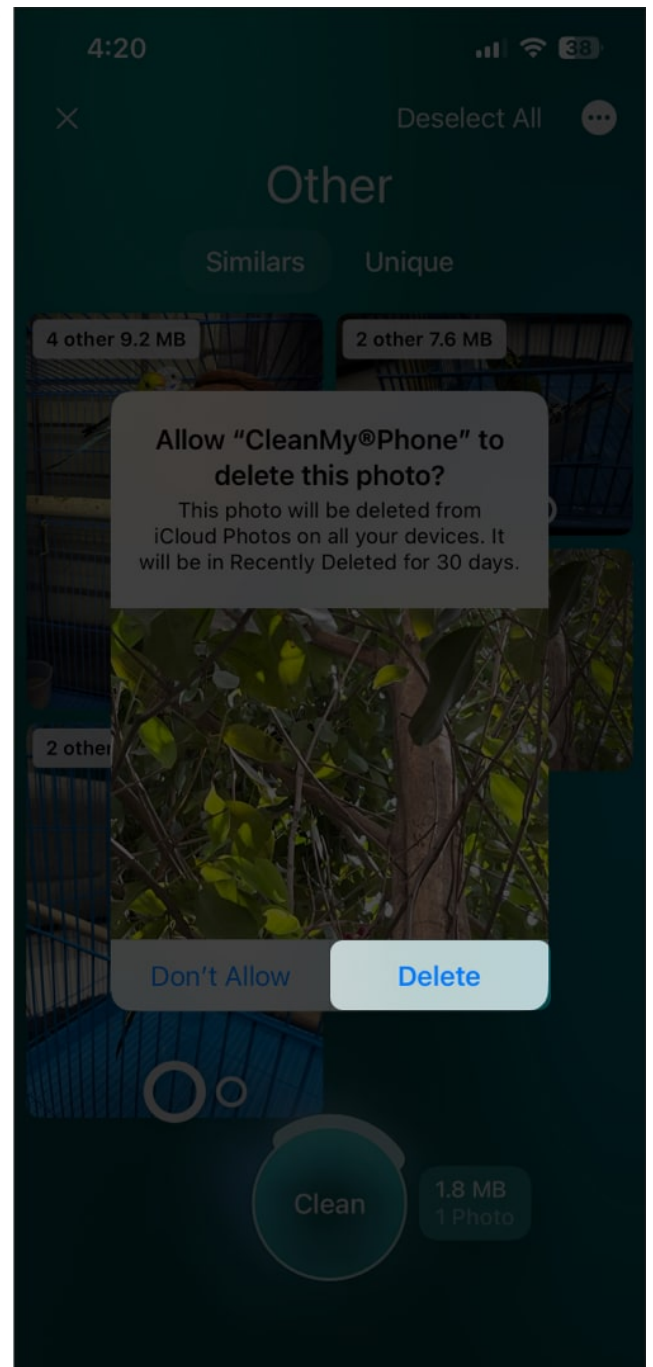
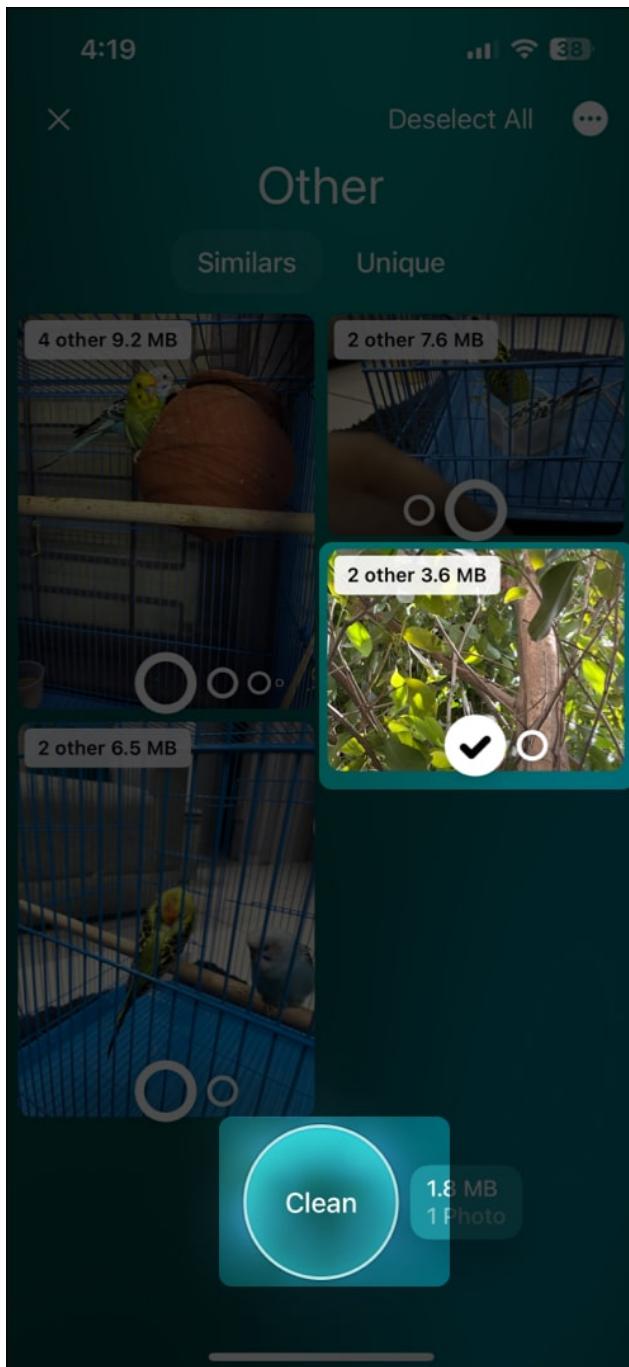
1. Download the CleanMyPhone app from the [App Store](#).
2. Open **CleanMyPhone** once it's installed on your iPhone or iPad.
3. Navigate to the **Organize** tab from the toolbar located at the bottom.
4. Select if you want to scan photos taken **Last Week**, **Last Month** or set a **Custom Filter**.
5. Hit **Scan**, and wait for CleanMyPhone to scan your photos.
6. Then, pick a category.



7. Tap on **Similar** from the top and select a group of duplicate photos to preview them.
8. Scroll horizontally through the duplicate photos to preview them on a larger canvas.
9. Tap the circle at the bottom to select a photo, and tap the **X** button or swipe down.



10. Once you've selected all the duplicate photos, tap **Clean**, then hit **Delete**.



Tips for avoiding duplicate photos on iPhone

- **Organize your photos into albums:** You can organize photos related to specific events, trips, or themes into albums, making it easier to spot duplicate photos on your iPhone and iPad.

- **Disable burst mode:** Burst mode captures multiple shots in quick succession, which can create duplicate images. If you don't use this feature, consider turning it off to prevent duplicates.
- **Delete original photos after editing:** Once you [edit your photos](#), make it a habit to delete the original versions—unless you're going to really need it later—to avoid saving identical versions of a single photo on your iPhone and iPad.
- **Turn off Auto HDR:** On iPhone models older than iPhone 13, Auto HDR provides an option that allows you to have HDR and non-HDR copies of the same photo. You can [disable this behavior](#) on your iPhone by toggling off **Auto HDR** or **Keep Normal Photo** under **Settings > Camera**.

Organizing photos made easy!

Deleting duplicate photos on your iPhone and iPad offers a simple yet effective way to keep your photo library organized and decluttered. This not only makes finding your photos easier but also helps [free up storage on your iPhone or iPad](#) for apps and capturing more photos and videos.

Also Read:

- [How to remove objects from photos using the Clean Up tool on iPhone](#)
- [Download official iOS 18 wallpapers for iPhone and iPad in 4K](#)
- [What is Genmoji on iPhone and how to use it?](#)