

With Fleets, Twitter has finally jumped on the bandwagon of Snapchat-inspired disappearing posts, aka Stories.



But, where do these Fleets appear? When you open the Twitter app on your iPhone, you might see circles below the top Twitter logo. These are Fleets by people you follow.

You can use them to share a thought quickly or even a Tweet! Let me tell you more about it and show you how to use Twitter Fleets on your iPhone.

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## What are Fleets on Twitter?

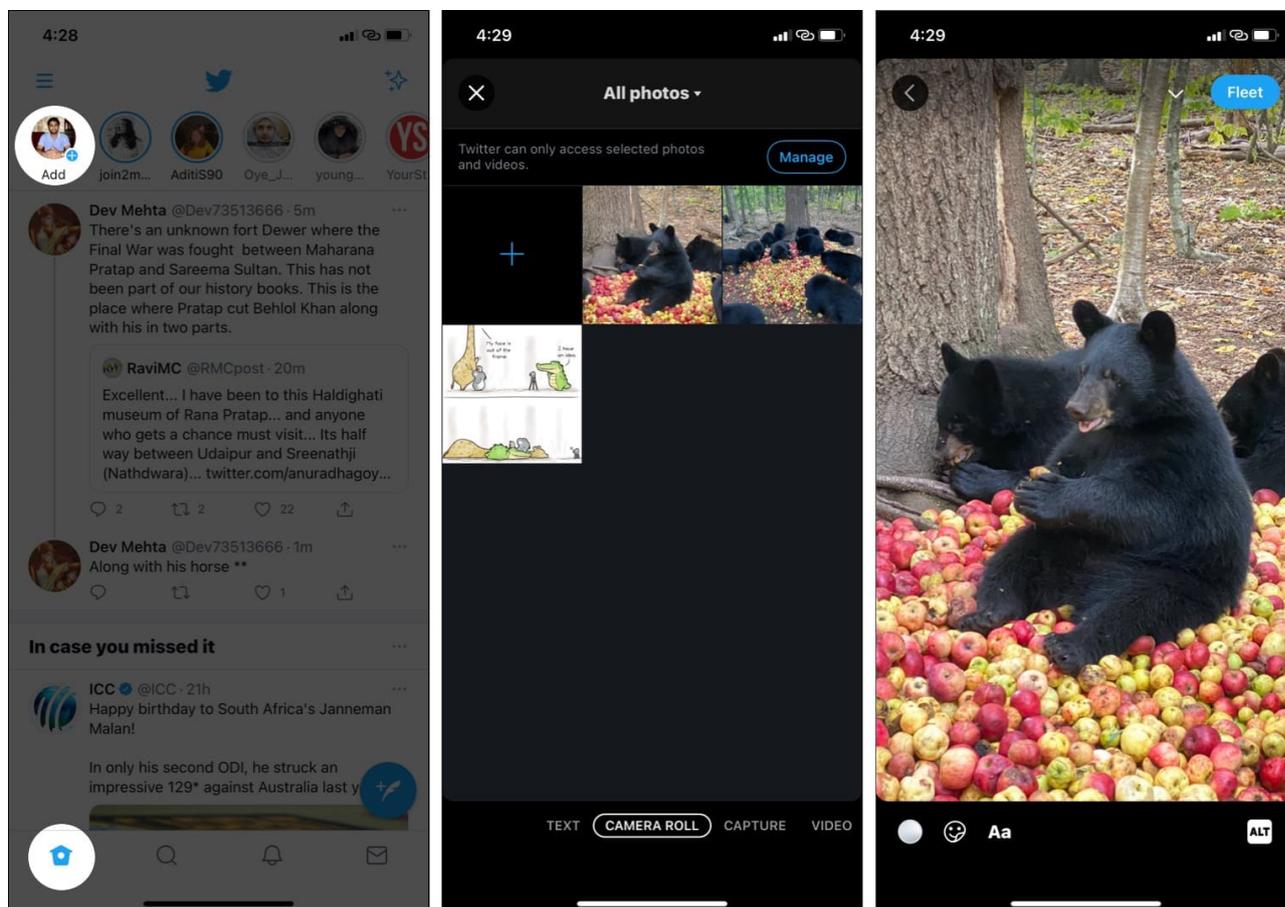
Fleets are Twitter Stories that, unlike Tweets, disappear after 24 hours. Have a random thought that you feel is not suitable to Tweet? Fleet it! A Fleet can have text, photos, videos, or GIFs.



Unfortunately, you cannot like or retweet a Fleet. Further, they cannot be embedded on websites. So how do you make these? Keep reading!

## How to create a Twitter Fleet on iPhone

1. Open Twitter and ensure you are in the **Home** tab.
2. Tap your **profile picture** at the top left.
3. At the bottom, you will see options like **TEXT**, **CAMERA ROLL**, **CAPTURE**, and **VIDEO**. Choose one (explained below) and tap **Fleet**.



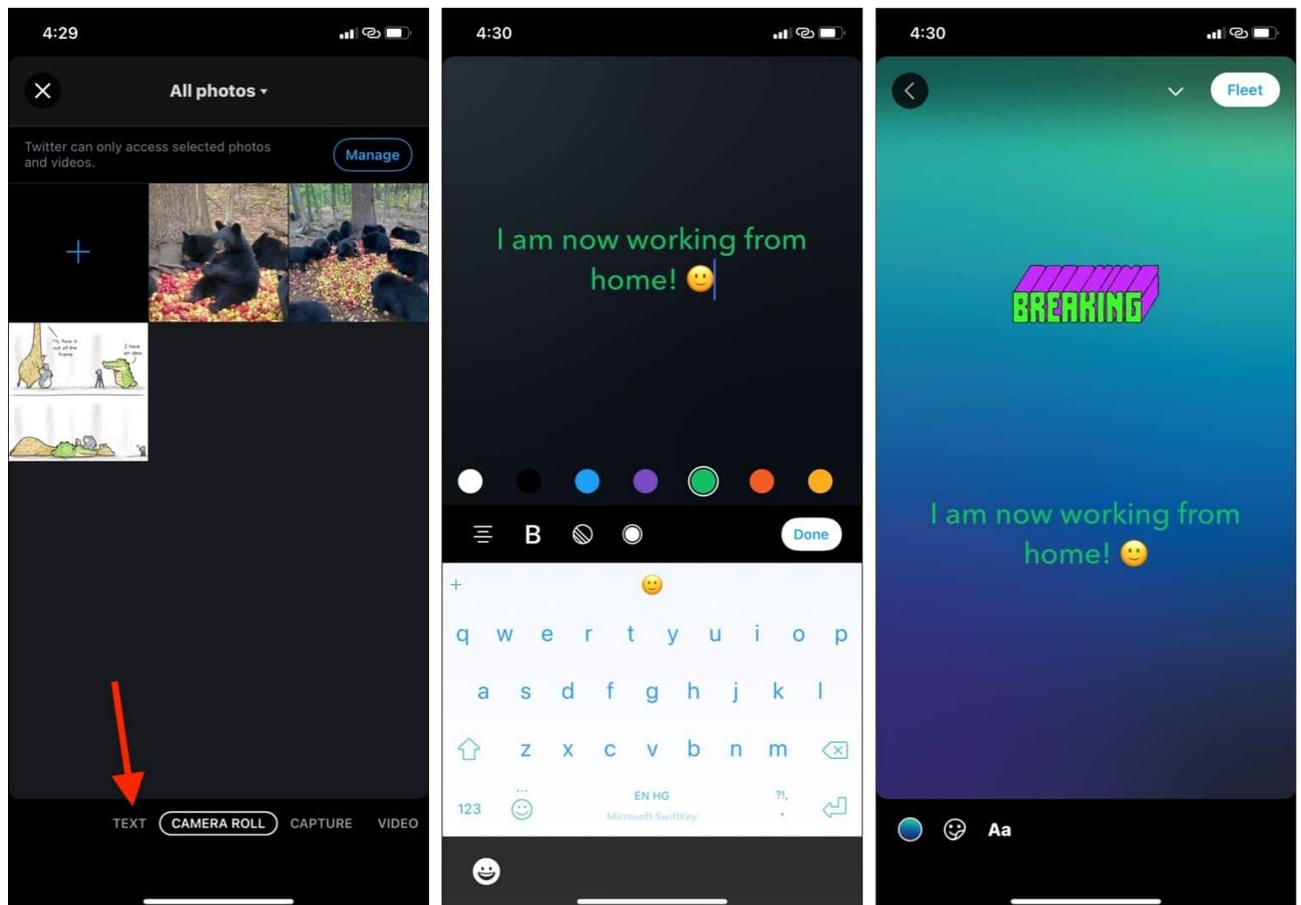
That's not it! There are different types of Fleets. Let's look at them!

## Text Fleets

You can use this to type your thoughts, spice it up with stickers, and publish it as Fleet.

1. Tap your **profile picture** in the Twitter app's Home tab.
2. Choose **TEXT**.
3. Type your thoughts and tap **Done**.  
*You can customize it by using the options that appear on top of the keyboard. There are tools to change text alignment, color, background and make it bold.*
4. To change the background, tap the **circle** in the bottom left.
5. Tap the **round stickers icon** to add one.
6. Tap **Aa** to add more text.
7. *Optional:* Tap the **arrow icon** at the top right to turn off reactions and replies to this Fleet via Twitter direct message.

8. Finally, tap **Fleet** to post it.

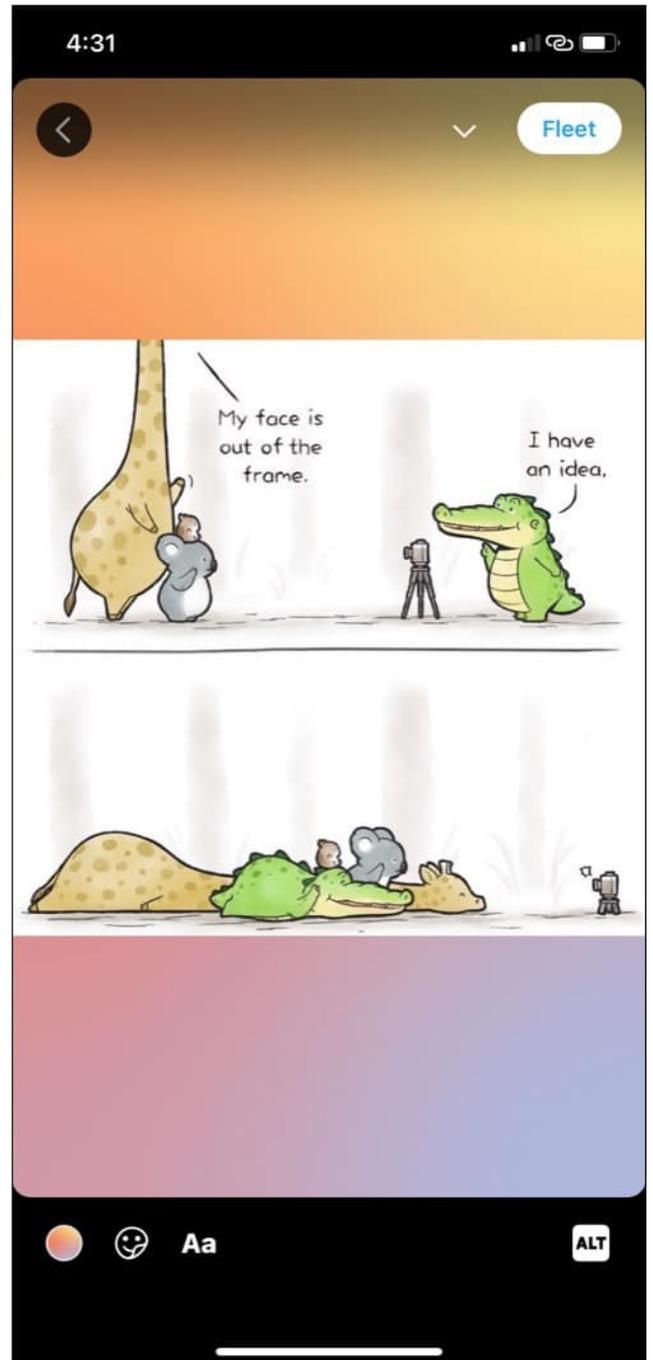
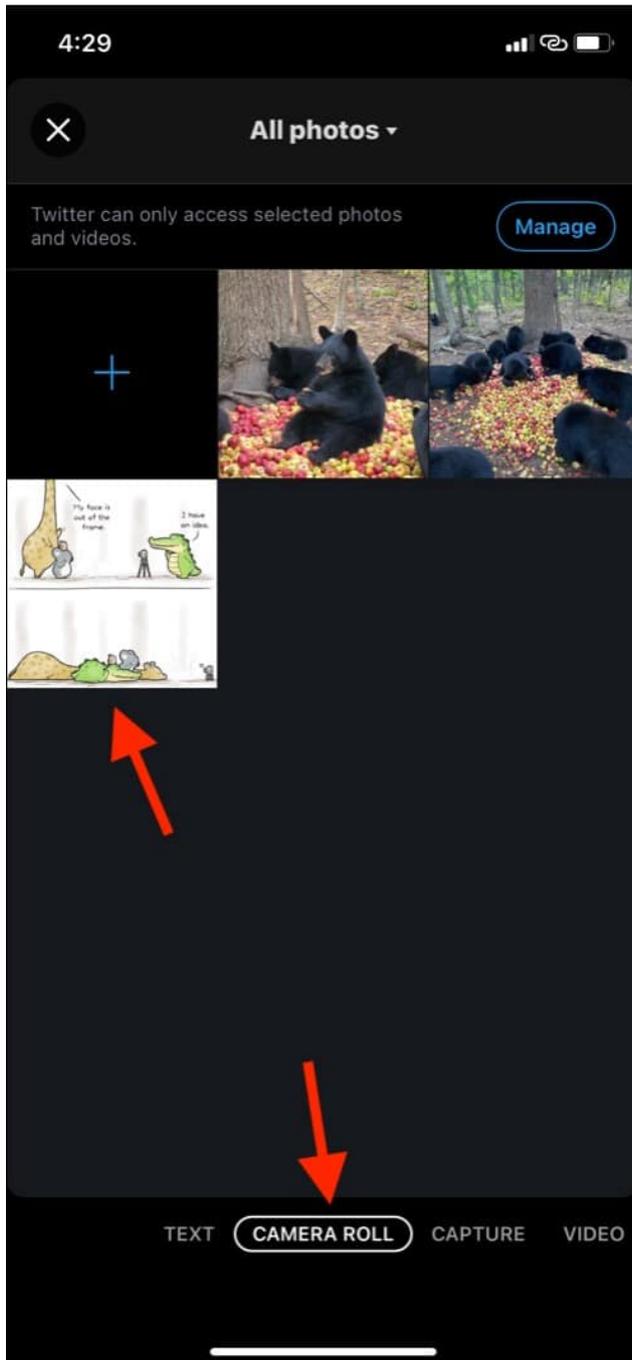


## Gallery Fleets

Want to Fleet an image or video from your iPhone's Photos app? Twitter has you covered. Here's how.

1. Tap your **profile picture** in Twitter's Home tab.
2. Choose **CAMERA ROLL**.
3. Tap to select a photo or video. Tap **All photos** to choose one from an album.  
**Note:** *If the video is more than 30 seconds, you will have to trim it before posting.*
4. Tap the **circle** in the bottom left to customize the background. Use the **stickers icon** to add one. And tap **Aa** to add some text.
5. *Optional:* Tap **ALT** to describe the photo or video.  
*This will ensure that blind or visually impaired people can understand what is in the photo. Be short but descriptive.*

6. Tap the **arrow** to turn off replies (optional).
7. Finally, tap **Fleet** to post it.



## Capture & Video Fleets

As mentioned, the idea of Fleets is to share something quickly and casually. So, if you come across something worth sharing, you can quickly snap a picture or a video and Fleet it.

1. Tap your **profile picture** in the Twitter app's Home tab.
2. Choose **CAPTURE** to click a picture or **VIDEO** to start recording up to 30 seconds.  
*Note: Even if you select CAPTURE, you can hold the button to start recording.*
3. **Customize** the image or video. You have all the standard tools.  
If it is a video, you can choose to turn off the sound by tapping the speaker icon.
4. Once done, tap **Fleet** to post it.



## Who can see your Twitter Fleets?

If you have protected your Tweets, the Fleets will also be protected. This means only your followers will be able to see these at the top of their Twitter app.

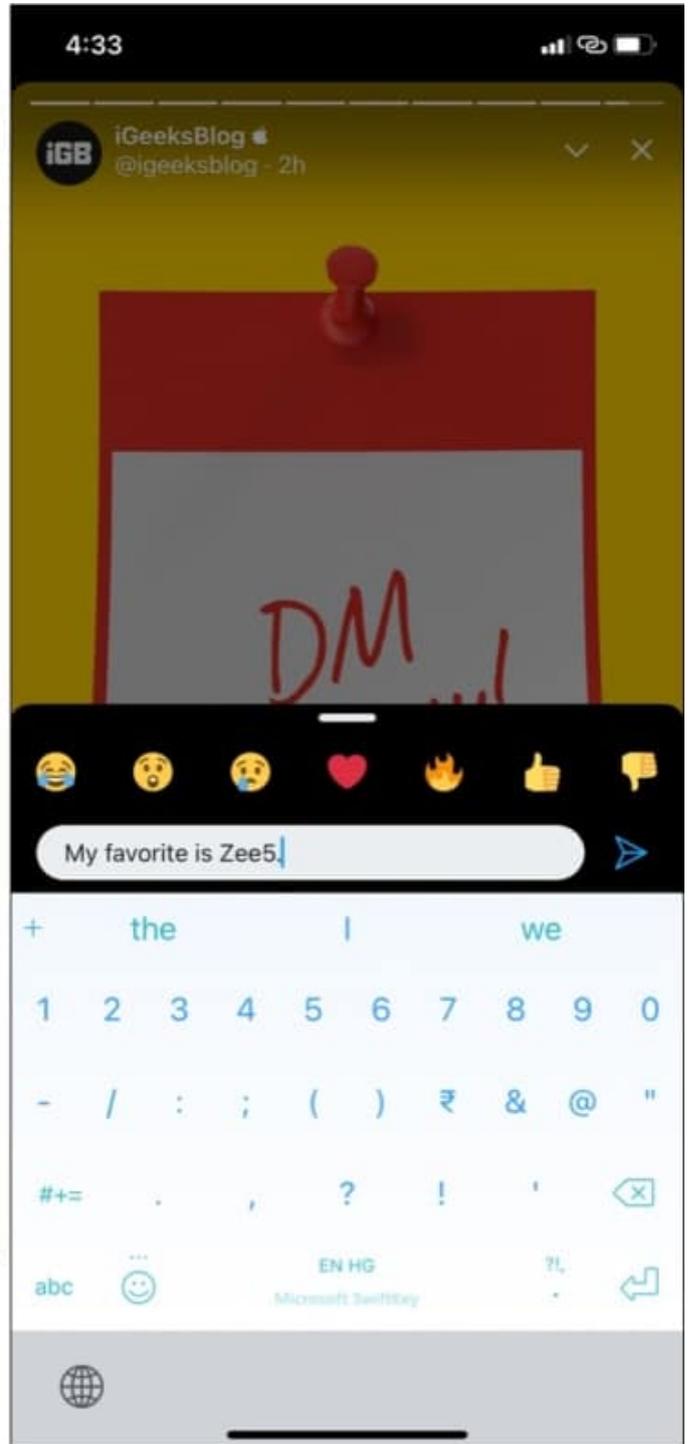
If your account is public, anyone can view Fleets by going to your Twitter profile and tapping your **profile picture** → **View Fleets**.

Next, learn about some basic features of Fleets.

## **How to reply or react to a Fleet**

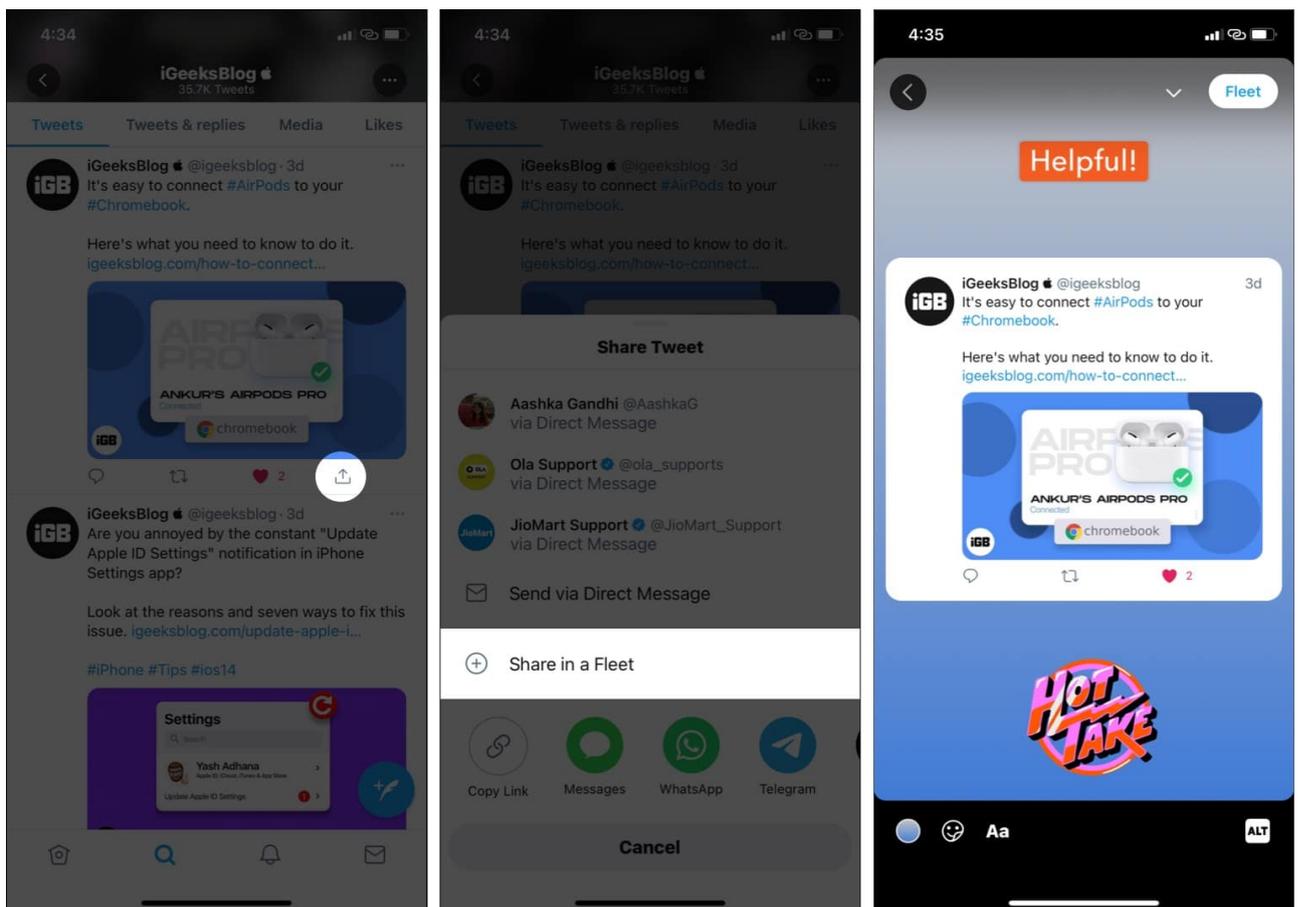
Creators can choose if they want to open DM replies for the Fleet or not. If they have enabled it, you will see a 'Send a message' tab at the bottom. Using this, you can type a reply. You may also tap the emoji icon to react.

If you do not see a box to direct message below a Fleet, that means they have turned off the reply option.



## Share a Tweet as Fleet

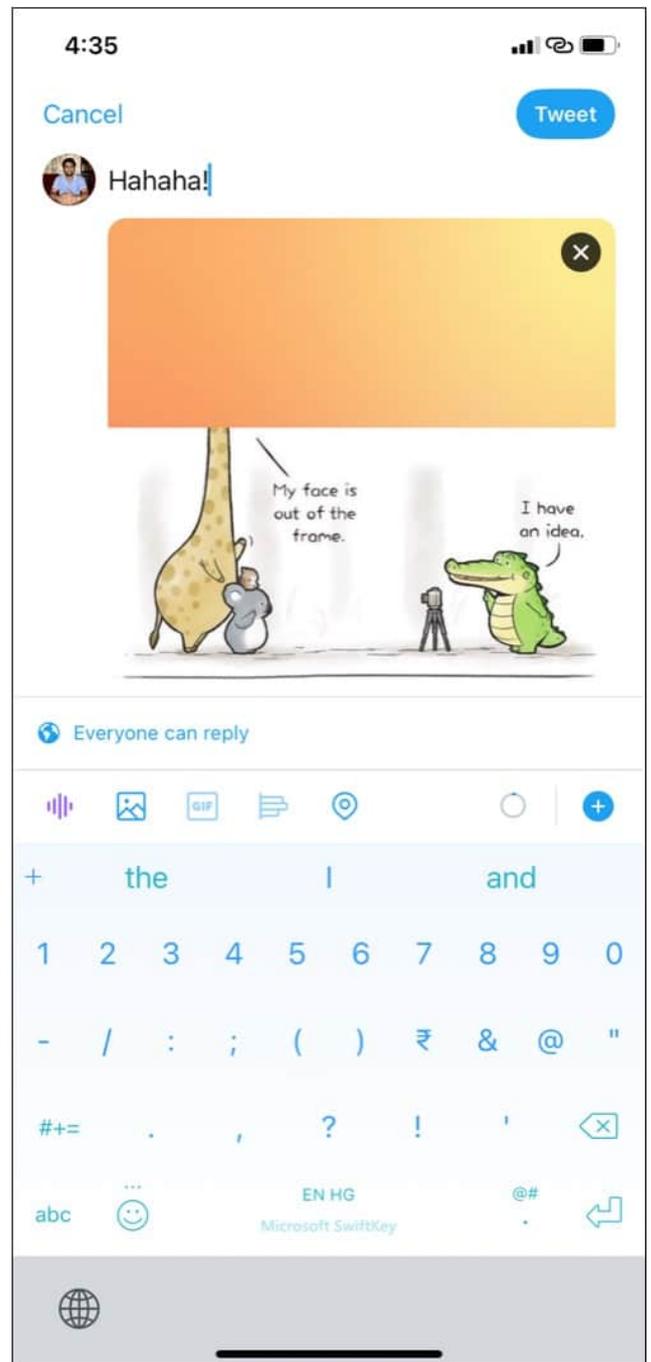
1. Go to a Tweet and tap the **share icon** below it.
2. Tap **Share in a Fleet**.
3. Customize it if you like and tap **Fleet** to post it.



## Tweet a Fleet

As mentioned, a Fleet disappears after 24 hours. But you can Tweet your Fleet so that it stays forever. Here's how.

1. Open your Fleet and tap the **arrow icon** in the top right.
2. Tap **Tweet this**.
3. Type if you would like to add something. Finally, tap **Tweet**.



**Note:** People can share your Fleet in the Tweet or DM too. When this happens, you won't be notified about the same.

## How to report a Fleet on Twitter if it contains offensive content

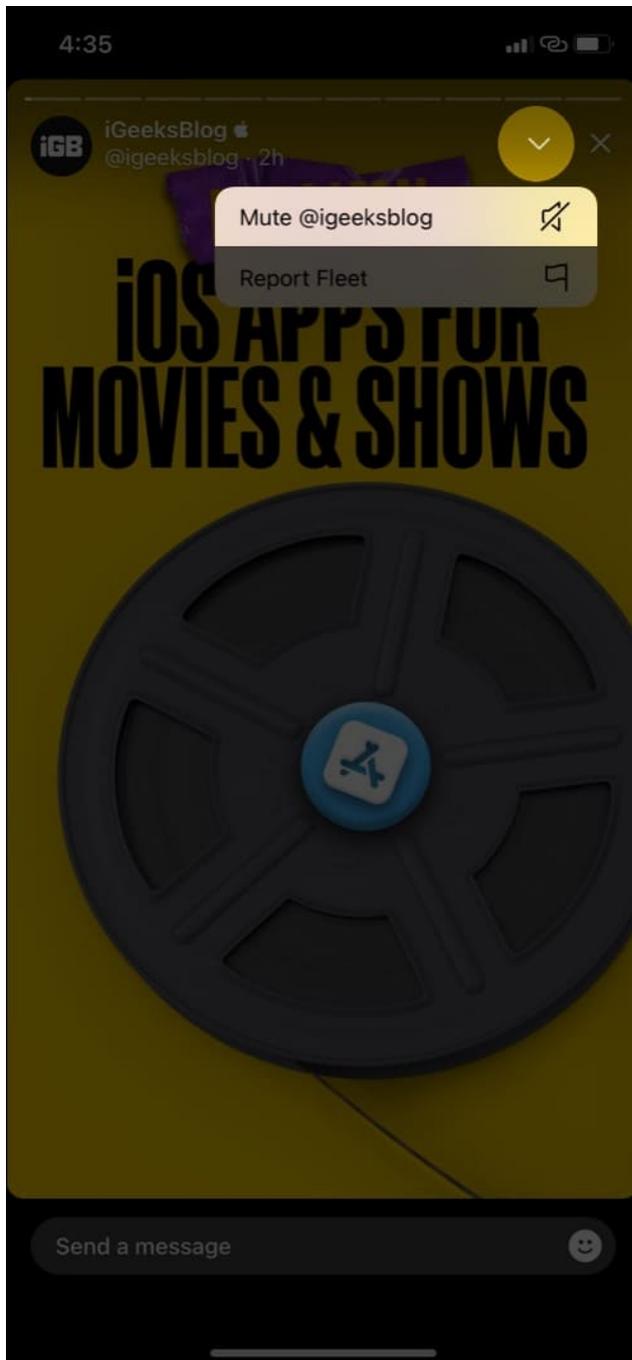
Like Tweets, you can report Fleets as well. For this, open the person's Fleet and tap the **arrow icon** in the top right. Next, tap **Report Fleet**. Choose the appropriate option and proceed.



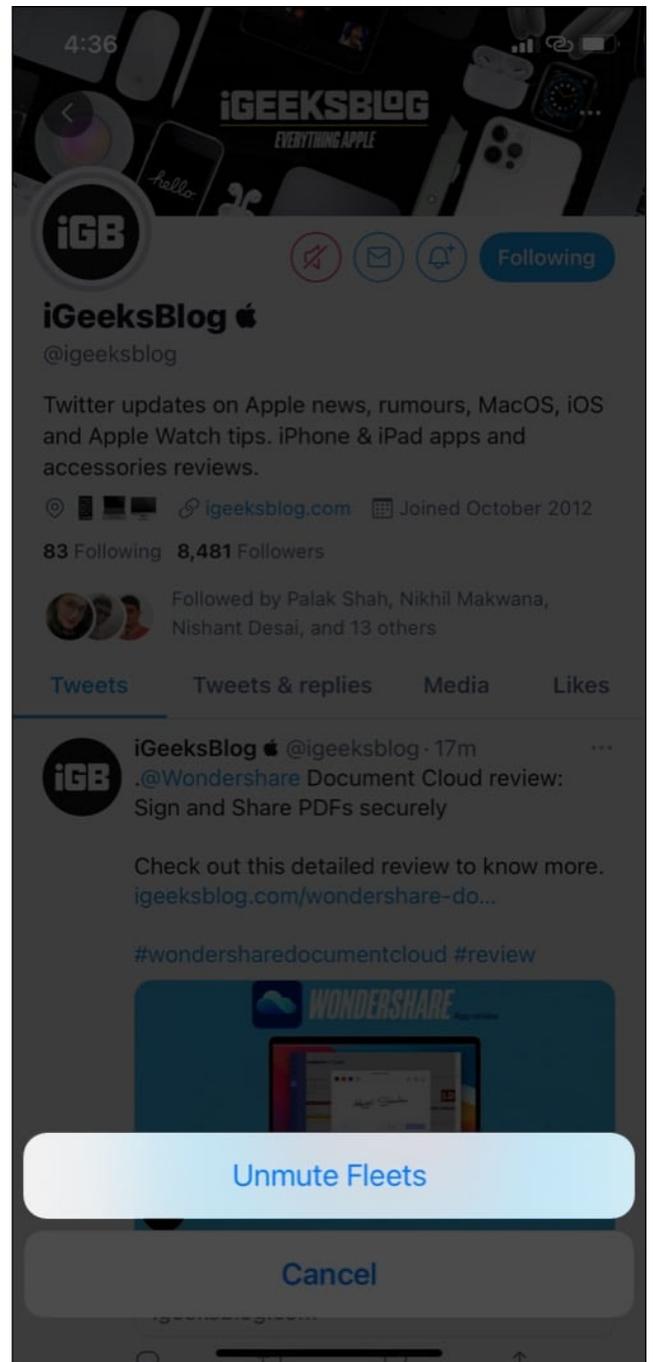
## Mute or unmute Fleets on Twitter from specific users

Don't like Fleets from a particular account? Are they spamming or posting irrelevant content? It is straightforward to mute their Fleet so that it does not appear in your Fleet feed.

1. Open **Fleet** and tap the **arrow icon** at the top right.
2. Tap **Mute @username**
3. Choose to mute **only Fleets** or both **Tweets and Fleets**.



4. To unmute, go to that account and tap the **red mute icon**. Next, tap **Unmute Fleets**.



This is how you can use Twitter Fleets on your iPhone. Almost the same steps apply for Android too.

## FAQs about Twitter Fleets

### Q. How long are Twitter Fleets?

A Fleet is six seconds long, but you can add a video Fleet up to 30 seconds. Fleets stay for 24 hours, and after that, they are automatically deleted.

### Q. Where do Fleets appear?

Fleets appear at the top of the Twitter app when you are in the Home tab. As of now, you cannot view or post Fleets from a computer.

### Q. How can I see someone's Fleet without them knowing?

You can let the Fleet load and then turn off the Wi-Fi or Mobile Data. Next, tap the Fleet to view it. After viewing, quit the Twitter app and restart your phone.

**Another method:** You may also open the Fleet adjacent to the one you are trying to view anonymously. Next, carefully swipe to take a peek at that Fleet.

**Conclusion:** The methods are similar to [how you can view Instagram Stories without them knowing](#). Please note that these workarounds may stop working with any Twitter app update.

### Q. How to disable Fleets on Twitter?

There is no single switch to disable Twitter Fleets. However, if you mute Fleets from every single account you follow, the Fleet area at the top of the Twitter app will be empty. Apart from this time-consuming way, there is no other method to disable Fleets entirely.

### Q. What's the character limit for Fleets?

Just like Tweets, text Fleets too are limited to 280 characters.

If you have any other questions that are not covered above, please use the comments section to reach me.

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