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Palm OS® is the operating system that drives Palm devices. In some cases, it may be possible to update your device with ROM upgrades or patches. Find your device below to see what's available for you:

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Palm Centro™ smartphone

Device	Palm OS version (out-of-box)	Handheld Upgrade/Update available?	Palm OS version after upgrade/update	Palm Desktop & HotSync Manager update
Centro (AT&T)	5.4.9	No	N/A	No
Centro (Sprint)	5.4.9	No	N/A	No

Treo™ 755p smartphone

Device	Palm OS version (out-of-box)	Handheld Upgrade/Update available?	Palm OS version after upgrade/update	Palm Desktop & HotSync Manager update
Treo 755p (Sprint)	5.4.9	No	N/A	No

Treo™ 700p smartphones

Device	Palm OS version (out-of-box)	Handheld Upgrade/Update available?	Palm OS version after upgrade/update	Palm Desktop & HotSync Manager update
Treo 700p (Sprint)	Garnet 5.4.9	Yes	N/A	No
Treo 700p (Verizon)	Garnet 5.4.9	No	N/A	No

Treo™ 680 smartphones

Device	Palm OS version (out-of-box)	Handheld Upgrade/Update available?	Palm OS version after upgrade/update	Palm Desktop & HotSync Manager update
Treo 680 (AT&T)	Garnet 5.4.9	Yes	5.4.9	No
Treo 680 (Rogers)	Garnet 5.4.9	No	N/A	No
Treo 680 (Unlocked)	Garnet 5.4.9	No	N/A	No

Treo™ 650 smartphones

Device	Palm OS version (out-of-box)	Handheld Upgrade/Update available?	Palm OS version after upgrade/update	Palm Desktop & HotSync Manager update
Treo 650 (Alltel)	5.4	Yes	5.4	No
Treo 650 (Bell)	5.4.8	No	N/A	No
Treo 650 (Cellular South)	5.4	Yes	5.4	No
Treo 650 (AT&T) including former Cingular Wireless accounts	5.4	Yes	5.4.8	No
Treo 650 (EarthLink)	5.4.5	No	N/A	No
Treo 650 (Rogers)	5.4	Yes	5.4	No
Treo 650 (Sprint)	5.4	Yes	5.4	No
Treo 650 (Telus)	5.4	Yes	5.4	No
Treo 650 (Unlocked GSM)	5.4	Yes	5.4	No
Treo 650 (Verizon)	5.4.5	Yes	5.4.5	No

Treo™ 600 smartphones

Device	Palm OS version (out-of-box)	Handheld Upgrade/Update available?	Palm OS version after upgrade/update	Palm Desktop & HotSync Manager update
Treo 600 (Bell)	5.2.1	No	5.2.1	Yes
Treo 600 (AT&T, bearing AT&T logo)	5.2.1	Yes	5.2.1	Yes
Treo 600 (AT&T, bearing former Cingular logo)	5.2.1	Yes	5.2.1	Yes
Treo 600 (Rogers)	5.2.1	Yes	5.2.1	Yes
Treo 600 (Sprint)	5.2.1	Yes	5.2.1	Yes

Treo 600 (T-Mobile)	5.2.1	Yes	5.2.1	Yes
Treo 600 (Verizon)	5.2.1	Yes	5.2.1	Yes
Treo 600 (Other or Unlocked GSM)	5.2.1	Yes	5.2.1	Yes
Other Treo™ smartphones				
Device	Palm OS version (out-of-box)	Handheld Upgrade/Update available?	Palm OS version after upgrade/update	Palm Desktop & HotSync Manager update
Treo 300	3.5.2H6.2 or 3.5.2H5	Yes	3.5.2H6.3	Yes
Treo 270	3.5.2H	Yes	3.5.2H5.9	Yes
Treo 180 & 180g	3.5.2H	Yes	3.5.2H5.9	Yes
LifeDrive™ mobile managers				
Device	Palm OS version (out-of-box)	Handheld Upgrade/Update available?	Palm OS version after upgrade/update	Palm Desktop & HotSync Manager update
LifeDrive	Garnet 5.4.8	Yes	5.4.8	No
Tungsten™ handhelds				
Device	Palm OS version (out-of-box)	Handheld Upgrade/Update available?	Palm OS version after upgrade/update	Palm Desktop & HotSync Manager update
Palm TX	Garnet 5.4.9	No	N/A	No
Tungsten T5	Garnet 5.4.0	Yes	5.4.0	No
Tungsten T3	5.2.1	Yes		Yes
Tungsten T2	5.2.1	No	N/A	Yes
Tungsten T	5	Yes	5	Yes
Tungsten C	5.2.1	Yes		Yes
Tungsten E2	Garnet 5.4.7	No	N/A	No
Tungsten E	5.2.1	No	N/A	Yes
Tungsten W	4.1.1	Yes	4.1.2	Yes
Zire™ handhelds				
Device	Palm OS version (out-of-box)	Handheld Upgrade/Update available?	Palm OS version after upgrade/update	Palm Desktop & HotSync Manager update
Palm Z22	Garnet 5.4.9	No	N/A	No
Zire 72	5.2.8	No	N/A	Yes
Zire 71	5.2	Yes	5.2	Yes
Zire 31	5.2.8	No	N/A	Yes
Zire 21	5.2.8	No	N/A	Yes
Zire	4.1	No	N/A	Yes
Palm™ handhelds				
Device	Palm OS version (out-of-box)	Handheld Upgrade/Update available?	Palm OS version after upgrade/update	Palm Desktop & HotSync Manager update
Palm i705	4.1	Yes	4.1	Yes
Palm m515	4.1	No	N/A	Yes
Palm m505	4.0 or 4.1	Yes	4.1	Yes
Palm m500	4.0	Yes	4.1	Yes
Palm m130	4.1	No	N/A	Yes
Palm m125	4.0	Yes	4.0	Yes
Palm m105	3.5	No	N/A	Yes
Palm m100	3.5	No	N/A	Yes
Palm VIIx	3.5	Yes	3.5.3	Yes
Palm VII	3.2	Yes	3.5.3	Yes
Palm Vx¹	3.3	Yes and then Yes	3.5 and then 3.5.3	Yes
Palm V¹	3.1	No	N/A	Yes
Palm IIIC¹	3.5	Yes	3.5.3	Yes
Palm IIIXe¹	3.5	Yes	3.5.3	Yes
Palm IIIX¹	3.1	Yes	3.3	Yes
Palm IIIE	3.1	No	N/A	Yes

Palm III ¹	3.0	Yes	3.3	Yes
Palm Pilot	2	Yes	2.0.5	Yes
Pilot series	1.0	Yes	1.0.7	Yes
Handspring™ handhelds				
Device	Palm OS version (out-of-box)	Handheld Upgrade/Update available?	Palm OS version after upgrade/update	Palm Desktop & HotSync Manager update
Treo 90	4.1H	Yes	4.1H3	Yes
Visor Pro	3.5.2H3	No	N/A	Yes
Visor Neo	3.5.2H3	No	N/A	Yes
Visor Edge	3.5.2H2	No	N/A	Yes
Visor Prism	3.5.2H	Yes	3.5.2H1.5	Yes
Visor Platinum	3.5.2H	Yes	3.5.2H1.5	Yes
Visor Deluxe	3.1H2	Yes	3.1H3 or 3.1H3M	Yes

Questions & Answers about Palm OS upgrades

How do I find out what Palm OS version is on my device?	You can find out what version number of the Palm OS is installed on your device (as well as the version numbers of any other applications installed on your handheld) from the Info screen. See article 2893 .
What's the difference between a ROM upgrade and a patch?	<i>A ROM upgrade</i> completely revamps your device's ROM and installs a new Palm OS version. Even if you delete all data from your handheld by performing a hard reset , the patch is also deleted (but it's restored when you get your data back by performing a HotSync operation). What does this difference mean to you? Not much. Both ROM upgrades and patches will fix bugs and add moderate enhancements to your device. The only difference is how they are added to your device, and where they reside.
I have an older handheld. Why can't I upgrade it to Palm OS 4, Palm OS 5, or beyond?	In the first few years of Palm OS's existence, it was possible to upgrade almost any device to the latest Palm OS version, regardless of the device's hardware features. Starting with Palm OS 4 and 5, new versions of the Palm OS were designed to support specific hardware features that weren't available on previous devices. For example, the main selling point of Palm OS 5 was its integration with the new 5-way navigation control. Previous devices didn't have the 5-way control, so Palm OS 5 was meaningless to them. These days, Palm OS upgrades are released only to fix bugs and provide moderate enhancements on a given device. New devices may come with the latest version of Palm OS, but you won't be able to upgrade older devices to a dramatically new Palm OS version.
How do I upgrade Palm Desktop and HotSync Manager?	For most products, our web site provides downloads of the latest version of Palm Desktop and HotSync Manager that's compatible with your device: get Palm Desktop and HotSync Manager here . Note: these downloads are Palm Desktop and HotSync Manager only. They don't include the extra software that may have come on the CD with your device. The extra software varies from device to device (such as Outlook synchronization, photo utilities for Palm Desktop, third-party bonus software, and more). When in doubt, use the CD that came with your device for the full range of available goodies, and then go to our web download to update the Palm Desktop and HotSync Manager software.
Can I add more memory, a new rechargeable battery, or other mods to my device?	If your device comes with an SD/MMC expansion slot, yes: visit the Palm Store to purchase SD or MMC cards for your device. Any other hardware modification that involves unscrewing the casing of your device will void your warranty. Some third-party sites sell RAM, lithium ion batteries, and other after-market upgrades. Please remember that adding these items will prevent you from being eligible for Palm Repair Center service if your device requires repair down the road. You may replace the battery on devices that include removable batteries, such as the Treo 650 smartphone, but be sure to use a Palm replacement battery; other third-party batteries may damage your device and void your warranty. View warranty eligibility (US) View limited warranty statement (US)

Footnotes
1 - If your Palm V, Vx, III, IIIX, IIIXe or IIIC handheld is running Palm OS 4.1, it means that it was upgraded via a discontinued software package. In the past, Palm, Inc., offered a Palm OS Upgrade CD-ROM for Palm V, Vx, III, IIIX, IIIXe and IIIC handhelds. The software upgraded your handheld to Palm OS 4.1 and could be purchased for an additional charge. This upgrade is no longer available from Palm, and we can not offer it for download on our web site. However, the Palm OS Upgrade CD-ROM may still be offered in secondary markets; check accessory vendors, online auction sites or overstock retailers for availability.