



PhotoView shows how a photo was made, one tap away

A full-screen photo viewer for iPhone, iPad and Mac, with an overlay of more than 200 metadata fields. Free on the App Store, with a one-time Pro purchase and no subscription.



One tap lays camera and exposure over the full-screen photo. The next tap leaves the photo on its own again.

Berlin, October 2026. PhotoView, the photo viewer by independent developer Detlev Voss, shows the photos, Live Photos and videos in the photo library full screen. One tap or click shows a photo's metadata in an overlay: camera and lens, aperture, shutter speed and ISO, the place it was taken, and the caption, keywords and copyright it carries. PhotoView has been on the App Store for iPhone, iPad and Mac since September 28, 2026. Version 1.0.1 followed on October 23.

The overlay shows only the fields its user picks, out of more than 200 in 18 groups, from EXIF, IPTC and GPS to XMP and DNG data and the computational details an iPhone records, such as HDR gain maps and depth data. It comes in three sizes and with three font sizes, and it can be moved to any of the four corners so that important parts of the photo remain visible.

"When I look at a photo, I often want to know exactly how or where I took it. I wanted an app that displays my photo full-screen, shows the exact information I'm interested in right now in one corner, and lets me hide it with the next tap. That's PhotoView."

Detlev Voss, developer of PhotoView

Aside from the metadata, PhotoView is designed for viewing photos at your leisure: slideshows with seven transitions, and AirPlay to the TV from iPhone and iPad, where the big screen shows only the picture itself. On the Mac, PhotoView also opens originals and raw files from any folder and reads .xmp sidecar files. Every field is read on the device: PhotoView never uploads a photo, and it has no accounts, no tracking and no ads.

FREE AND PRO

Free

Included in the download

- Photos, Live Photos and videos, full screen
- Overlay: pick the fields, size and corner
- Camera, lens, exposure and video data
- Slideshows, and AirPlay from iPhone and iPad
- On the Mac: folders, raw files, Quick Look

PhotoView Pro

One-time purchase, free 7-day trial

- IPTC: caption, keywords, creator, copyright
- GPS position and direction, shown on a map
- XMP from Lightroom, Capture One, Photoshop
- DNG tags, Canon and Nikon maker notes
- Rating, keywords, caption from Photos (iOS 27)

NEW IN VERSION 1.0.1

With iOS 27, iPadOS 27 and macOS 27, PhotoView also shows the rating, keywords and caption set in the Photos app, next to the values stored in the file and each marked with its source. The overlay has three font sizes, the app now speaks British English, and on the Mac a slideshow can be controlled from the keyboard.

FACTS

DEVELOPER

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REQUIREMENTS

iOS 26, iPadOS 26 or macOS 26, or later

PRICE

Free. Pro: one-time, \$7.99 (US), €8.99 (DE)

APP STORE

apps.apple.com/app/id6762623309

PLATFORMS

iPhone, iPad and Mac, one purchase for all

AVAILABLE SINCE

September 28, 2026 (1.0.1: October 23)

LANGUAGES

English, German

PRESS KIT

apps.advoss.de/PhotoView/en/press.html

ABOUT THE DEVELOPER

I'm Detlev Voss, an independent developer of apps for iOS and, more recently, macOS. I love traveling in a motorhome with my wife and our dog. I'm also an avid amateur photographer and enjoy various kinds of music, from classical to country, rock, and pop.

I started with two apps: a casual Sudoku game and Timers & Alarms, a utility with countdown timers (including repeating and interval timers), a simple alarm clock, and a stopwatch.

As a photographer, I wanted a quick way to check a photo's camera settings, description, and keywords, so my next app was PhotoView: EXIF Photo Viewer. It shows your photos full-screen, with a metadata overlay just a tap or click away. The overlay is customizable and supports more than 200 fields, including EXIF, IPTC, DNG, and XMP data.



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The free 7-day trial unlocks every Pro feature. If you need more time for a review, write to me. The QR code opens PhotoView on the App Store.