

Put the App on Any Device

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Phone, tablet, or computer

No app store • No download • About 20 seconds

Which set of steps do I need?

iPhone or iPad is anything Apple that you hold in your hands. **Android phone** is a Samsung, a Google Pixel, a Motorola, or most others. **Windows computer** is a laptop or desktop that is not an Apple. **Apple computer** is a MacBook or an iMac.

If you got here by tapping a link inside Instagram or Facebook, follow the Instagram steps first. The app installs from your browser, not an app store, and it is free.

Start here

stitch.brianakdesigns.com

Open that address in your browser, then follow the steps for your device. It installs straight from the browser, updates itself, and you can delete it any time by pressing and holding the icon.

On an iPhone or iPad

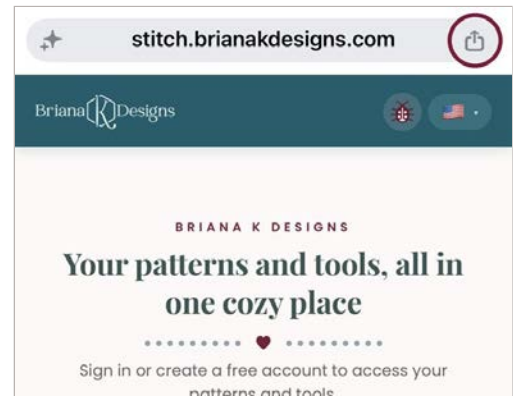
Six steps in Safari. Step three is the one nearly everybody misses.

- 1 Open stitch.brianakdesigns.com in **Safari**, the blue compass icon that came with your iPhone. Wait for the sign in page to load.

| Copy the link and paste it into Safari. Don't tap it from inside Instagram or your email.

- 2 Tap the **Share** button, the little square with an arrow coming out the top. It sits at the right end of the address bar.

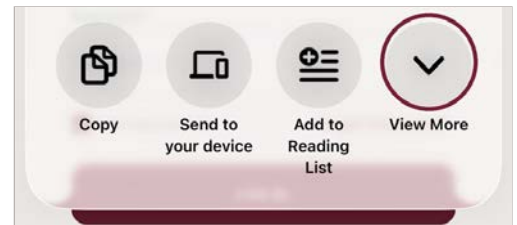
If your address bar is at the bottom of the screen, the Share button is down there in the middle instead.



This is the page you want. Share button, circled, top right.

- 3 Tap **View More**, the round button with the down arrow.

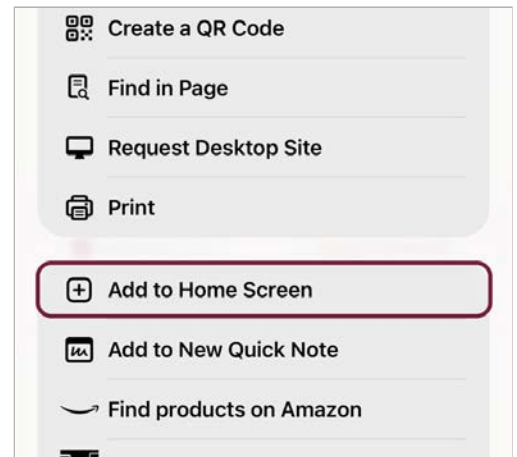
Here's the one that trips everybody up. The menu opens short, and Add to Home Screen isn't in the short version. Tap View More first.



Far right of the round buttons

- 4 Scroll down and tap **Add to Home Screen**.

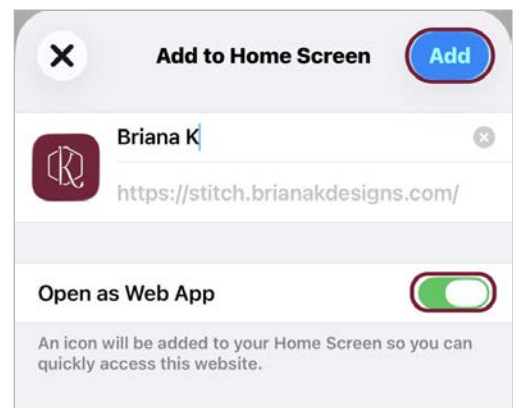
It's below Print, in the second group of options.



Keep scrolling. It sits under Print.

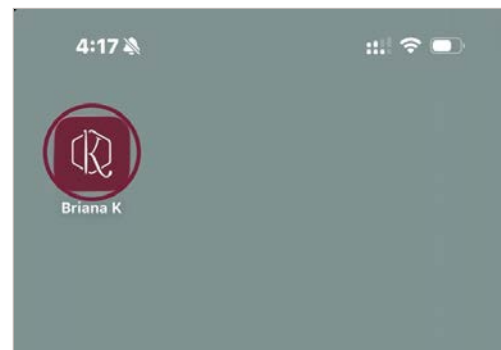
- 5 Leave **Open as Web App** switched on, then tap **Add** in the top right corner.

That green switch is what makes it open full screen instead of dumping you back into Safari. You can rename it here too.



Switch on, then Add. That's the last tap.

- 6 Close Safari. The icon is on your home screen.



New icons land on your last home screen page, so swipe over if you don't spot it.

Which browser works

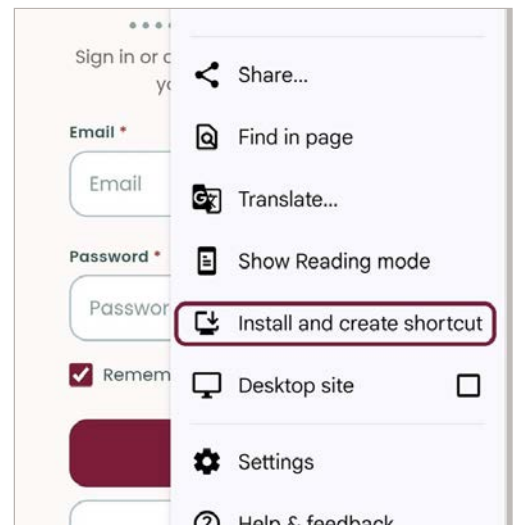
Safari	Yes, always. This is the one we recommend.
Chrome	Yes on newer iPhones, same Share button.
Edge	Yes on newer iPhones, same Share button.
Instagram	No. It opens a mini browser with no install option.

On an Android Phone or Tablet

Three taps, and Android often offers to do it for you.

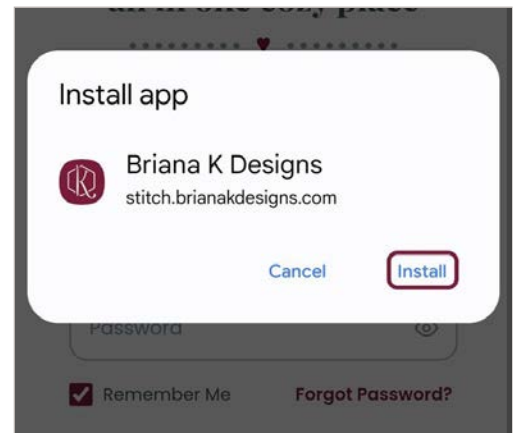
- 1 Open stitch.brianakdesigns.com in **Chrome**, the round icon with red, yellow, green and blue.
- 2 Watch for a bar that slides up saying **Install app**. If you see it, tap it and skip to the last step.
 - | If you closed that bar once already, it may not come back. Use the next step instead.

- 3 Tap the **three dots** in the top right corner, then scroll down to **Install and create shortcut**.



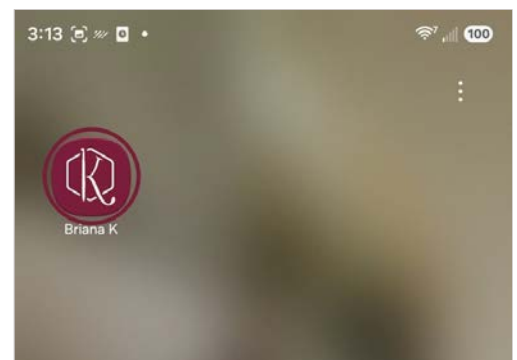
Below Show Reading mode, above Desktop site

- 4 Tap **Install**.



Check that it says Briana K Designs, then tap Install

- 5 The icon is on your home screen and in your app drawer.
- On Android it sits alongside your store apps, so you can also find it by searching your phone.



Done. It behaves like any other app from here.

Other browsers

Chrome	Three dots, top right, then Install and create shortcut
Samsung	The install icon in the address bar, or the menu lines at the bottom right, then Add page to, then Home screen

Edge, Brave The menu, then Add to phone or Add to Home screen

Firefox Three dots, then Install

On a Windows Computer

It becomes a real program in your Start menu with its own window.

1 Open stitch.brianakdesigns.com in **Chrome** or **Edge**.

2 Look at the right end of the address bar for the small **install icon**. It's a little monitor with an arrow pointing down into it. Click it, then click **Install**.



Same icon in Chrome on any computer

It sits just left of the star. The star only bookmarks the page. No install icon at all? Click the three dots at the top right. In Chrome go to Cast, save and share, then Install page as app. In Edge go to Apps, then Install this site as an app.

3 It opens in its own window with no address bar, and you'll find it in the **Start menu** from then on.

Right click it in the Start menu and choose Pin to taskbar to keep it handy.

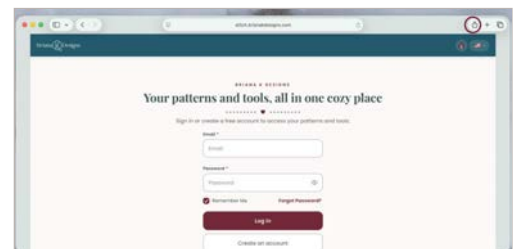
On an Apple Computer

Two ways to do it. Safari is quicker, Chrome takes one extra drag.

Safari, the easy way

Goes straight into your Dock. If you do not see Add to Dock in the File menu, your Mac is older. Use the Chrome steps below instead.

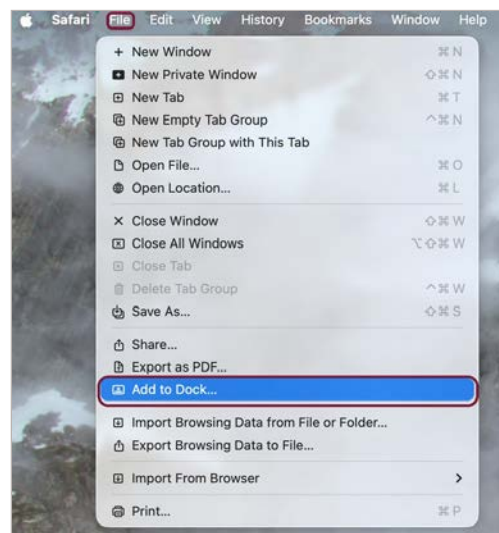
1 Open stitch.brianakdesigns.com in Safari.



Start from the Share button here, or the File menu next. Either works.

- 2 Click **File** in the menu bar at the very top of your screen, then click **Add to Dock**.

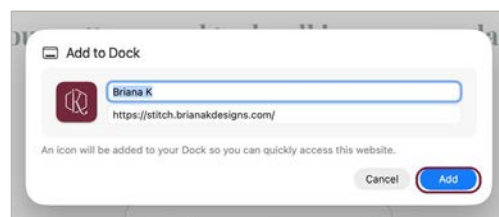
That's the menu bar along the top edge of the whole screen, not anything inside the Safari window.



Under Export as PDF, above Import Browsing Data

- 3 Check the name, then click **Add**.

The name is already selected, so you can type straight over it.



Done. The icon is in your Dock.

Chrome or Edge

Same result, but it gets filed in a folder first, so there's a drag at the end.

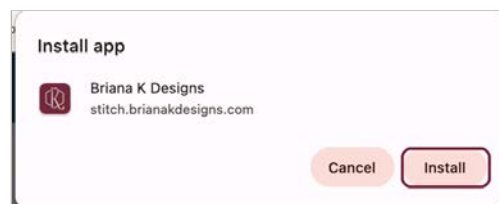
- 1 Open stitch.brianakdesigns.com in Chrome.
- 2 Click the **install icon** at the right end of the address bar. It's the little monitor with an arrow pointing down into it.

It sits just left of the star. The star only bookmarks the page.

- 3 Click **Install**.



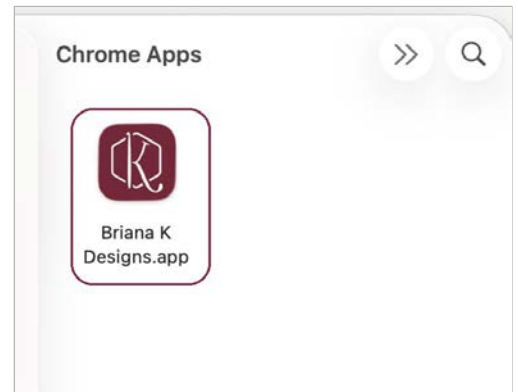
Monitor with a down arrow, not the star beside it



Check that it says Briana K Designs, then Install

- 4 It opens in its own window, and a copy gets filed in **Launchpad** inside a folder called **Chrome Apps**.

That folder is why it feels like the app vanished. It didn't. It's tucked one level down.



Open Launchpad, then open Chrome Apps

- 5 To keep it handy, **drag the icon out of that folder and drop it on your Dock**.

Drop it wherever you want it along the bar. The other icons slide over to make room.



One click from anywhere, forever after

Chromebook & tablets

- Chromebooks follow the Windows steps exactly.
- Android tablets follow the Android steps.
- iPads follow the iPhone steps, except the Share button sits in the top right corner of the screen.

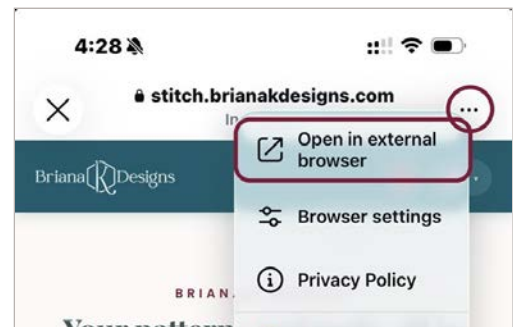
If You Opened This From Instagram or Facebook

Two extra taps and you're back on track. Facebook, Pinterest, and email work the same way.

Tapping a link inside Instagram opens it in Instagram's own little browser. It looks like a browser, but it can't install anything. You need to hand the page over to your actual browser first.

- 1 Tap the **three dots** in the top right corner, then tap **Open in external browser**.

Not the X. The X just closes the page and drops you back into your feed.



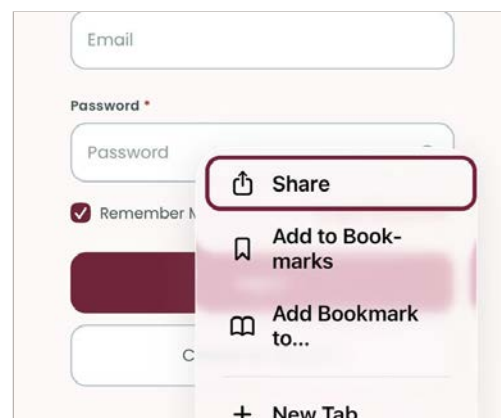
Three dots, then the first option in the menu

- 2 The page reopens in **Safari**. You'll see a little Instagram arrow in the top left corner, which is how you know it worked.

If you'd rather not do this every time, save the link in your notes or bookmarks and open it from there instead.

- 3 Open the Safari menu and tap **Share**.

If your Safari shows a Share button right in the address bar, tap that instead and skip ahead.



Share sits at the top of that menu

- 4 From here it's the regular iPhone steps: **View More**, then **Add to Home Screen**, then **Add**.

Same idea. Tap the three dots in Instagram's browser and choose **Open in Chrome** or **Open in external browser**, then follow the Android steps.

If Something Is Not Working

Nine times out of ten it's one of these.

I don't see Add to Home Screen anywhere

On an iPhone, you probably haven't tapped View More yet. The share menu opens in a short version that leaves the install option out. Tap the round View More button with the down arrow, then scroll down.

If you've done that and it's still missing, you're in a mini browser. Tapping a link inside Instagram, Facebook, Pinterest, or an email app opens a stripped down browser that can't install anything. Follow the Instagram steps to hand the page over to Safari.

I'm on an iPhone and it's still not showing up

Private browsing hides the option. Close your private tab, open a normal one, and go to the link again.

It is also worth checking you are in Safari, the blue compass icon, and not a different browser that came on the phone.

I tapped the icon and got a blank white screen

The page hadn't finished loading when you installed it. Press and hold the icon, delete it, then go back to the link in your browser, let it load all the way, and add it again.

Will it use up my storage or my data

Barely any storage. It's a fraction of the size of a normal app. It needs internet the first time you open it, and after that most of it keeps working offline.

If you don't open it for several weeks, your phone may quietly clear the saved files. The icon stays put and it reloads the next time you tap it.

How do I get updates, and how do I remove it

Updates happen on their own. Open it while you're connected to wifi and you have the newest version. Nothing to check, nothing to download.

To remove it, press and hold the icon and choose Delete, exactly like any other app. On a computer, right click it in your Start menu or Dock and remove it there.

My progress or my saved projects disappeared

Your work saves to the copy you installed. If you added the app twice from two different browsers, you now have two separate icons that don't talk to each other. Delete the one you're not using.

Clearing your browser history or site data can also wipe saved progress, so avoid the Clear all option while you're mid project.