

# USER GUIDE

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## iXpand™ Base



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# Introduction

## iXpand™ Base Overview



*Insert the Lightning Connector to Backup and Charge*

*Power Adaptor*

*Figure: iXpand Base*

The perfect companion for your iPhone device, the iXpand Base provides a convenient way to regularly back up your photos and videos without having to worry about recurring monthly fees or online privacy risks. The iXpand Base automatically backs up all your iPhone photos and videos during your normal, everyday charging process, with no recurring monthly fees and no worries about online security. With up to 256GB of storage, the iXpand Base offers plenty of room to save your files in their original quality. Designed for everyday use with a no-slip top, a sturdy Base, and

a wrap-around groove to keep your Lightning cable tidy. The iXpand Base is also engineered for convenience, delivering fast-charging capabilities and a companion app for restoring your content to your iPhone device.

### **Automatically Free up Space!**

- Automatically back up your iPhone's photos, videos and contacts every time you charge. Simply plug in the Lightning connector, rest your phone on the iXpand case surface and you can easily move photos, videos and contacts off your device and onto the iXpand Base. From there, you can transfer the files onto a Mac computer or PC or store them on the drive.

### **View Original Quality Photos**

- Keep your photos and videos right on the iXpand Base at original quality without worrying about recurring monthly fees

### **Charge while you backup**

- The iXpand Base is also engineered for convenience, delivering fast-charging capabilities while you back up your content

### **Sturdy and designed for everyday use**

- The iXpand Base is designed for everyday use with a no-slip top to hold your phone and a wrap-around groove to keep your Lightning cable tidy.

### **USB 2.0 Speed Transfers**

- Plug the drive into your computer's USB port and you can transfer files to your PC/Mac

### **iXpand Base Mobile App**

- Available from the App Store online store, the iXpand Base app makes it easy to manage your photos, videos and contacts. It also enables you to easily restore your backed up photos, videos and contacts to your new iPhone device

## Specifications

- Interface: Lightning and USB 2.0 connectors
- Dimensions: 25.36 x 101.00 x 107.00 mm
- Microsoft® FAT and exFAT (for 64GB, 128GB and 256GB) Support

## Works With

### iPhone Models:

iPhone 5, iPhone 5c, iPhone 5s, iPhone 6 and 6 Plus, iPhone 6s and 6s Plus , iPhone 7 and 7 Plus, iPhone 8 and 8 Plus, iPhone X

### iPad Models:

iPad Pro 1st and 2nd Gen, iPad Mini Gen 2 - 4, iPad 3 -5 Gen, iPad Air 2

iOS 10+ and above

Online updated compatibility list URL:

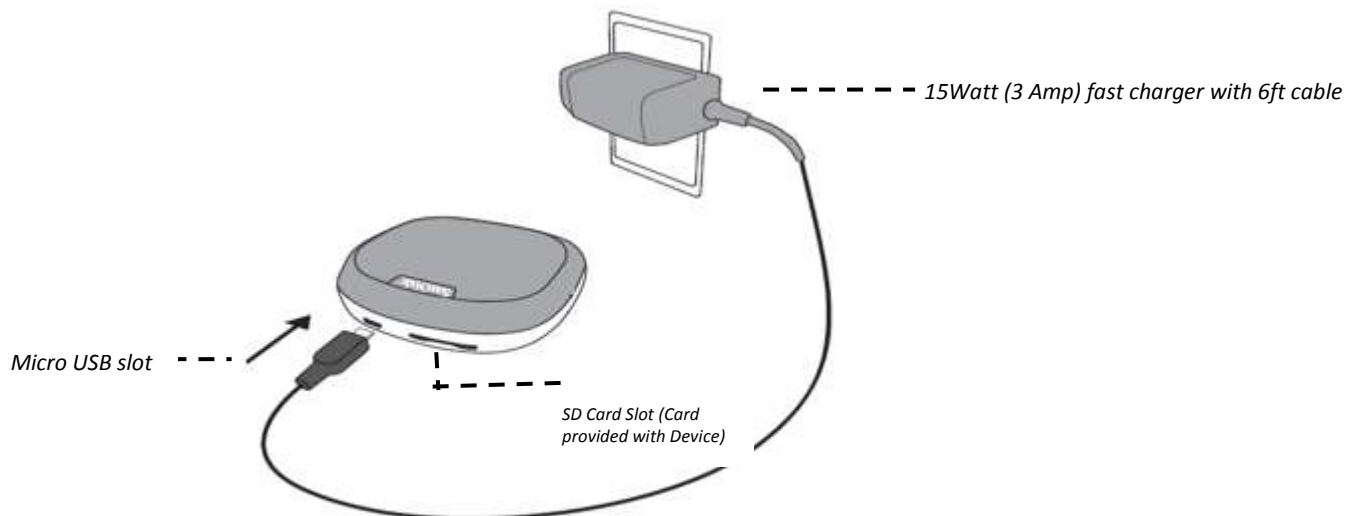
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# Getting Started

## Connecting iPhone to iXpand Base

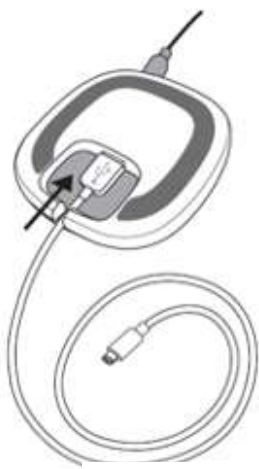
### Physical Connection

In the box you will find an iXpand Base with a premium, sturdy metal body, along with fast charger with 6ft cable and an Ultra SD card (32, 64, 128 & 256 GB). Connect the cable to a wall outlet on one side and to the Micro USB slot in the iXpand Base on the other. Now the Base is connected to power.

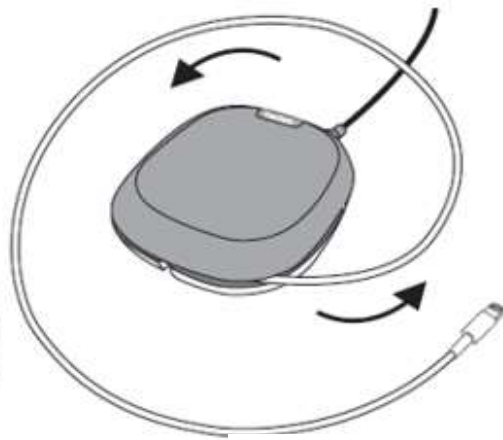


1. Turn the iXpand Base on the back side and you will see the slot for a USB port
2. Take your Lightning cable (not included), insert the USB side to the slot provided (as shown in the **Fig.1**)

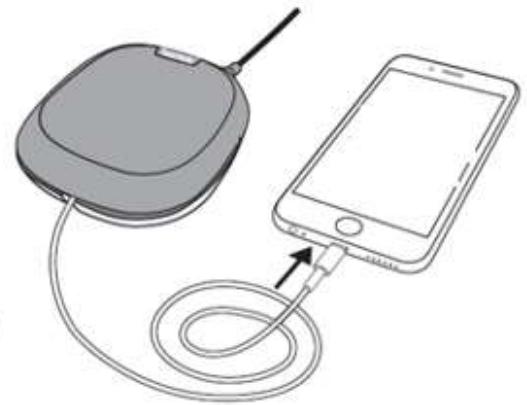
3. Wrap your Lightning cable along the wrap-around groove to keep your cable tidy and nightstand clutter-free (as shown in **Fig.2**)
4. Insert the Lightning side of the cable to your iPhone device. Now you are ready to use the iXpand Base (as shown in **Fig.3**).



*Figure 1*



*Figure 2*



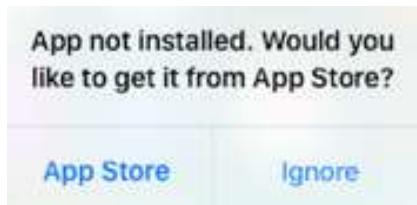
*Figure 3*



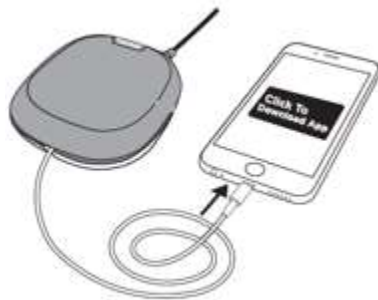
## Installing the App and Setup

When you've connected the iXpand Base to your iPhone you will be prompted to install the companion iXpand Base app, if not, search for the iXpand Base app in the App Store online store.

1. On the screen, select "App Store".



2. Install the "iXpand Base" app from the App Store online store.



3. Click on the app icon



# Applications

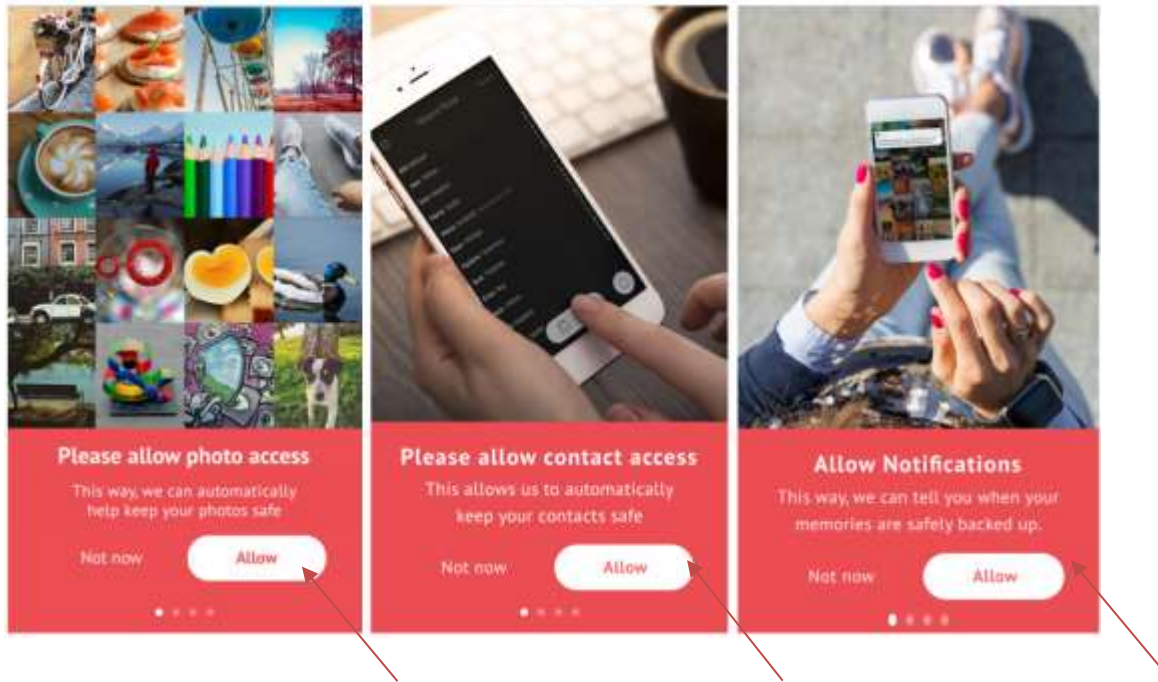
## Getting Started

The iXpand Base is designed for your ease. After getting started, you will be able to backup your phone's contents while it charges.

1. Launch the iXpand Base App
2. Accept the License Agreement



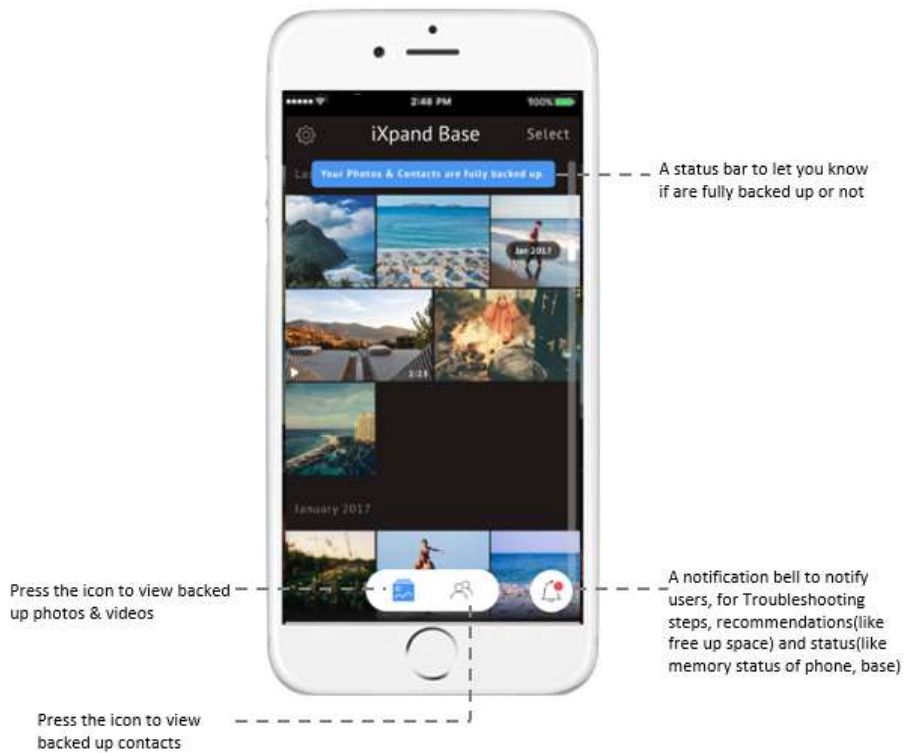
3. Provide access to photo, contacts and notifications



And you are all set to go!

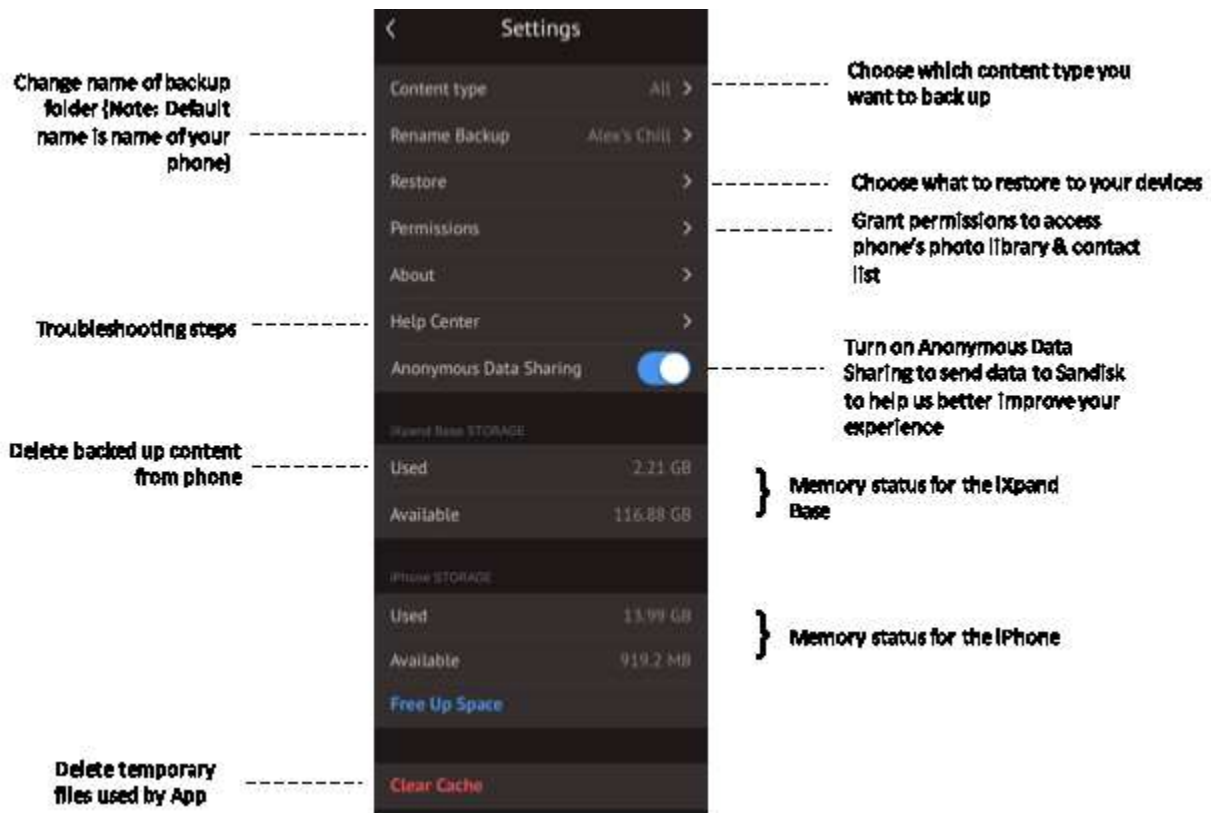
## App Overview

The Home screen allows you to quickly view your backed up content as well as the main tasks that can be completed. The notification bell at the bottom right corner lets the user know if there is any critical action that needs to be performed. By pressing the bell you can access these notifications which will allow them to do different tasks.



To access quickly to the critical notifications-when the bell has a red dot on  it.

## Settings



## Backup and Restore Files

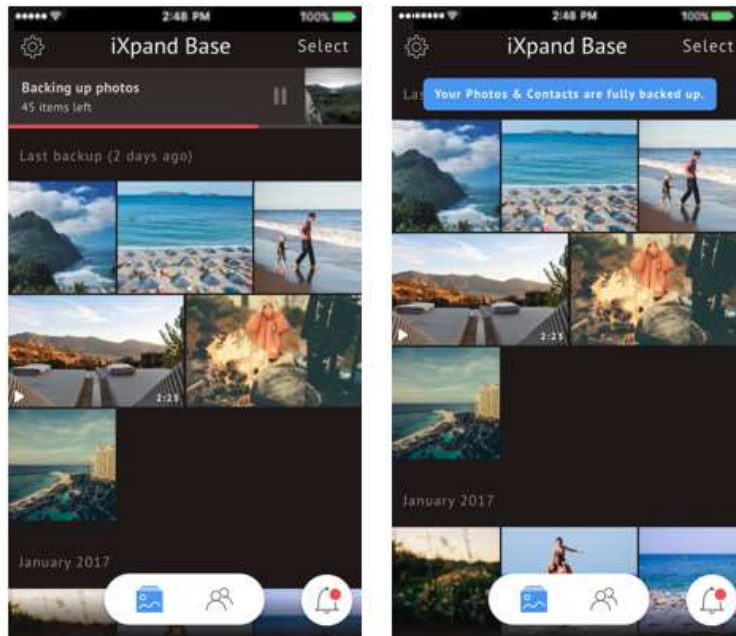
### Backing Up Photos & Videos

Back Up and Restore selection within the app allows you to keep your memories safe while giving you access to this content. Once you have allowed access, your iXpand Base is ready to back up the photos, videos and contacts automatically. As soon as your iPhone/iPad device is connected to iXpand Base (provided the Base is connected to power), it will start charging while also launching a background function to scan and

start backing up content from your phone without even accessing the app. You will see a notification “Backup started”.




Since the iXpand Base app backs up the content without even launching it, it gives you a hassle free experience. While the device can work without any user interaction, you can still open the app to verify progress and a successful backup.

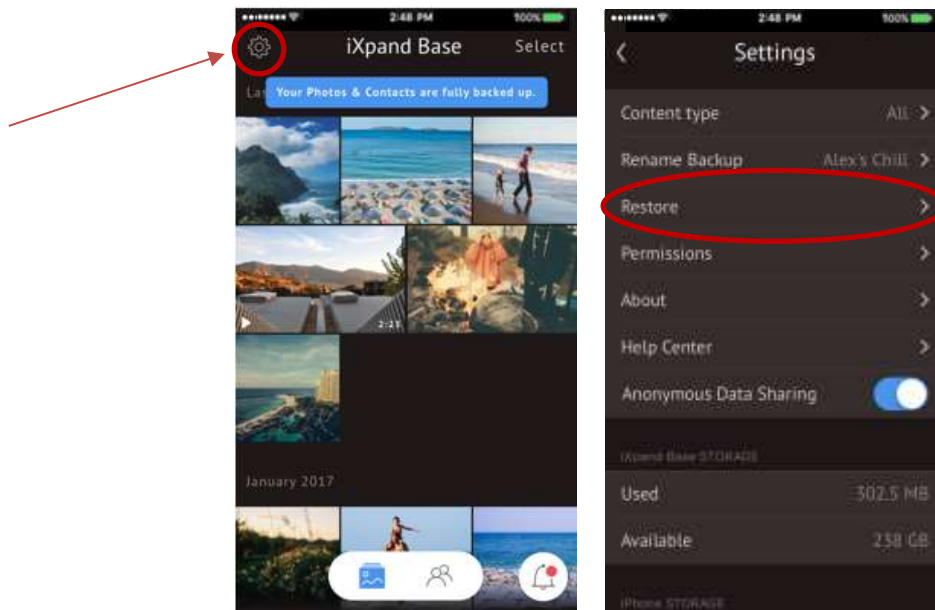


*You can also pause the back up at any time by tapping on the pause button. Backing Up may take longer than normal the 1<sup>st</sup> time. Once set up, only newly added files will be copied to the iXpand Base.*

## Restoring Photos, Videos & Contacts to a New iPhone

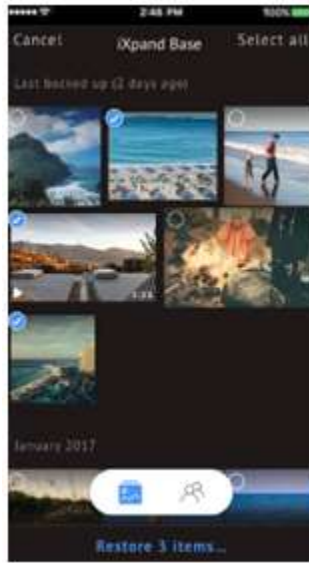
You can choose to do a full or selective Restore using your iXpand Base. The Restore functionality will be performed using the already existing folders on your Base.

1. Launch the iXpand Base App
2. Go to Settings (top left corner)  > “Restore”



3. Choose the device in which you would like to restore the content from
4. Tap on “Select” on the top right corner
5. “Select All” or select the specific photos and videos you would like to restore
6. Tap on “Restore” on the bottom of the screen





Warning: Photos and contacts with the same name will be duplicated to your Camera Roll when restored

Warning: Contact restore will only restore your latest contact backup

## View Files

### Viewing Files on the iXpand Base or iPhone or iPad Device

Once pictures, videos and contacts have been backed up, you can view them.

1. Open the iXpand Base App \*



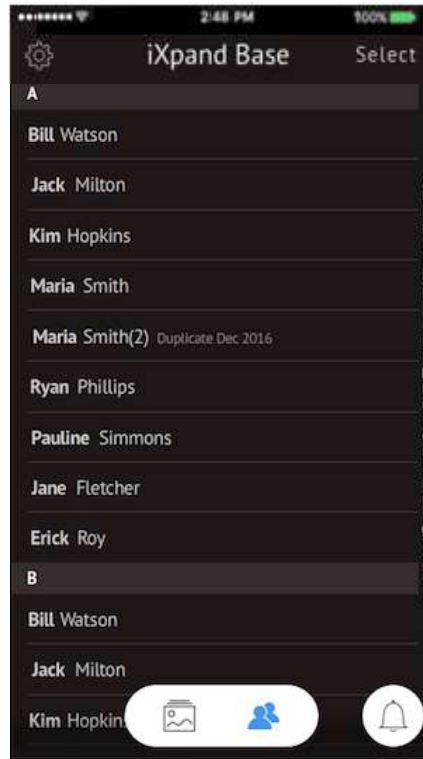
2. Choose from the slide bar at the bottom of the screen which type of file you want to view your files in



When "Gallery" is selected, you can view only the photos and videos contained on the iXpand Base will be shown. When "Contacts" is selected, all contacts backed up on the iXpand Base will be visible. As seen below:



Gallery Screen

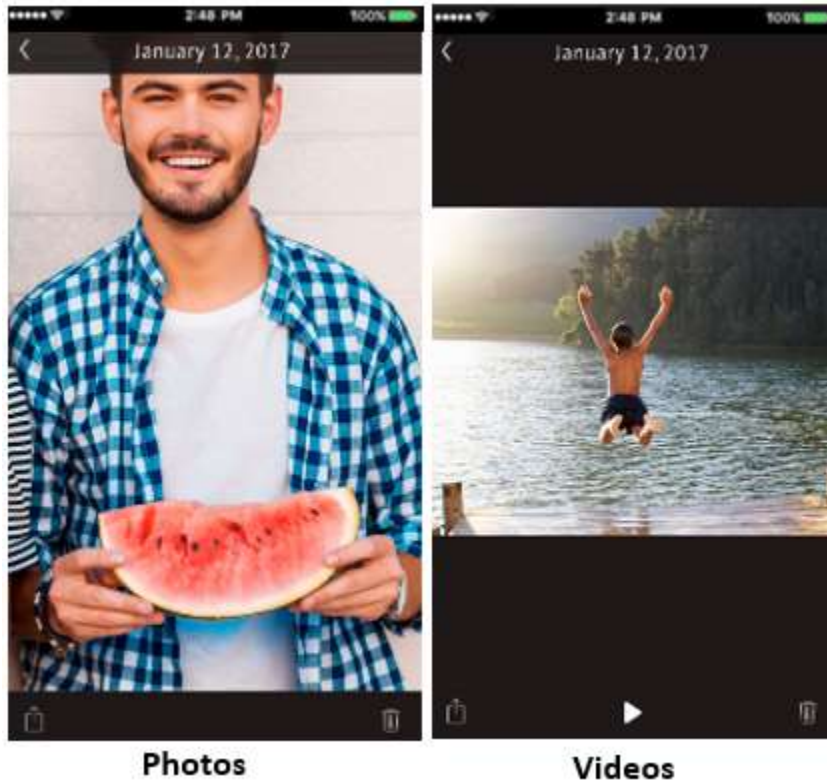


Contact Screen

\*You can only preview files if your phone is not connected to the iXpand Base, see App Offline Mode for more information.

### View Specific Photos & Videos

1. Plug the iXpand Base to your iPhone or iPad device.
2. Tap the photo or video you want to view from the main screen, the app gives you the ability to zoom in the photos



- This app also has the ability to backup Live photos
- The user can swipe left or right to browse through the gallery

### Supported file formats for Photos

BMP, TIF, TIFF, JPG, PNG, GIF, XBM, ICO, TGA

### Supported file formats for Videos

All the natively supported iPhone videos

## File Management

Use your iXpand Base and iXpand Base app to transfer and manage files between your iPhone, PC and Mac computer.

### Copy files between PC and iXpand Base

Copying files between your PC and your iXpand Base is a simple way to transfer your files to your computer.

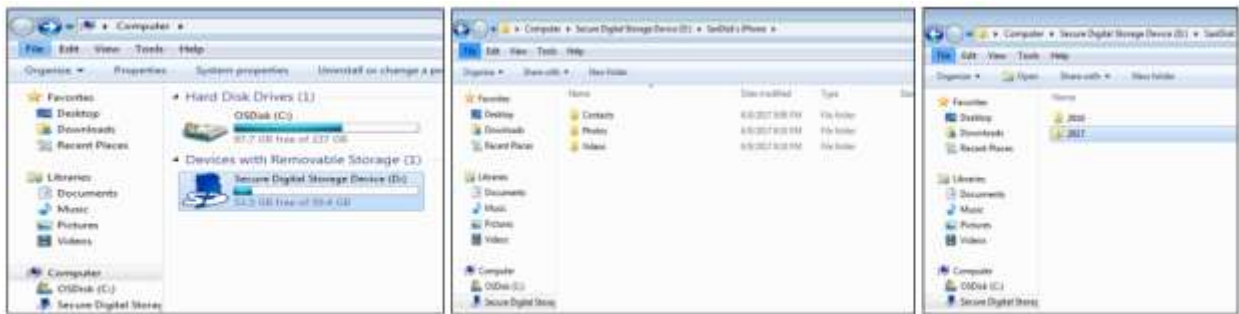


Fig 1

Fig 2

Fig 3

1. Take the SD card out of the iXpand Base
2. Put the SD card inot the PC's SD card slot \*
3. Open the Computer folder on your PC (**Fig 1**)
4. Open the SD card folder
5. If the iXpand Base has performed a prior back up then it will contain content, which will be divided in Photos, Videos and Contacts folder (**Fig 2**)
6. Drag and drop videos and photos between your computer and the SD card folder (**Fig 3**)
7. Once file transfer is done, eject the SD card from finder.
8. Place SD card back into the BaseiXpand BaseiXpand BaseiXpand Base.

\* If your PC does not contain a SD card slot, use an external memory card reader to access your files on your computer

## Copy files between Mac computer and iXpand Base



Fig. 1

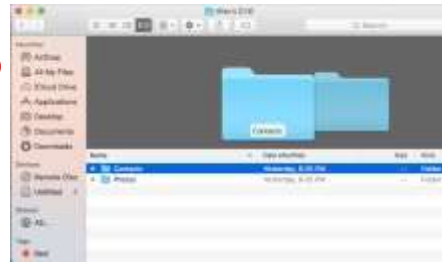


Fig. 2



Fig. 3


1. Take the SD card out of the iXpand Base
2. Put the SD card into your Mac's SD card slot \*
3. The SD card will mount on the Mac desktop (**Fig. 1**)
4. Click on the SD Card icon on your Mac desktop (**Fig. 2**)
5. Drag and Drop files from the iPhone > Contacts/Photos/Videos folders to the Mac desktop (**Fig. 3**)
6. Once file transfer is done, eject the SD card from finder
7. Place SD card back into the BaseiXpand BaseiXpand BaseiXpand Base

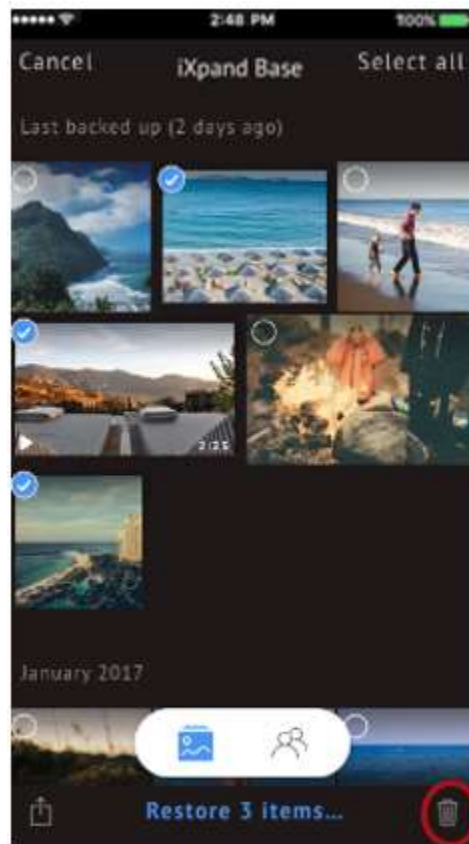
OR

1. Take a microUSB Cable
2. Connect one end to iXpand Base and the other end to USB slot of MAC/PC computer

\* If your PC does not contain a SD card slot, use an external memory card reader to access your files on your computer.

## Delete Files


1. Connect the iXpand Flash Base to your iPhone or iPad device.
2. Once on the main screen, press “Select” on the top right corner
3. You can “Select All” or select the ones that you want to delete
4. Tap on the trash can icon 



## Sharing

You can share files from your iXpand Base to many different platforms including Facebook and Instagram from within the app.

### How to share

1. Connect the iXpand Base to your iPhone or iPad device
2. Select the photo or video you want to share
3. Tap to open the content you want to share
4. Select  at the bottom of the screen
5. Choose the desired upload/share option

### Multi-User

The iXpand Base has the capability to support multiple users. Simply, plug in any of your/family member's/friends' device to the iXpand and let it backup the files. The application auto-detects new phones and the iXpand Base separates backups into different folders accordingly.

When you plug in your SD card from the iXpand Base to your computer (see File Management for more information), you will be able to differentiate between the different devices that were backed up on the iXpand Base (See Fig. 1)



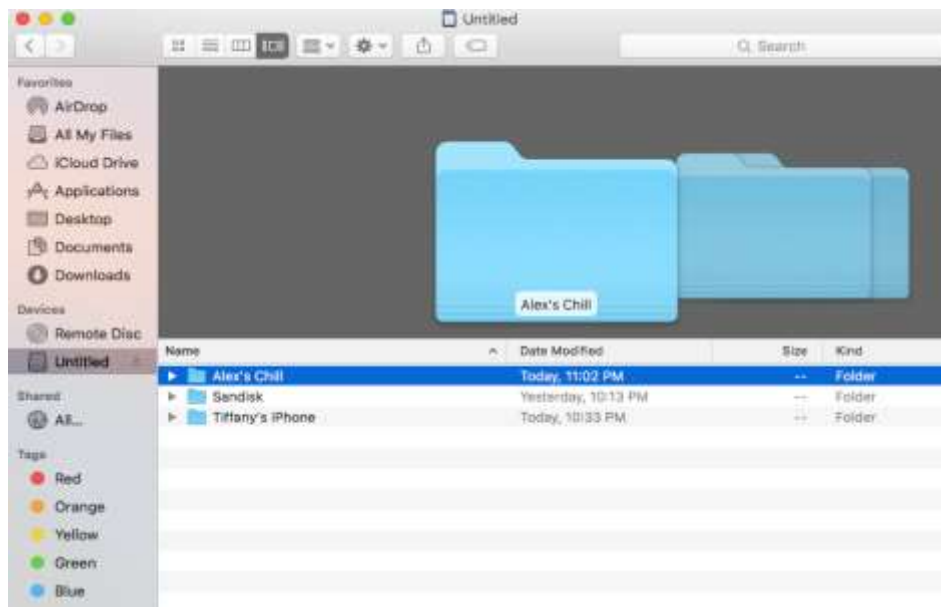

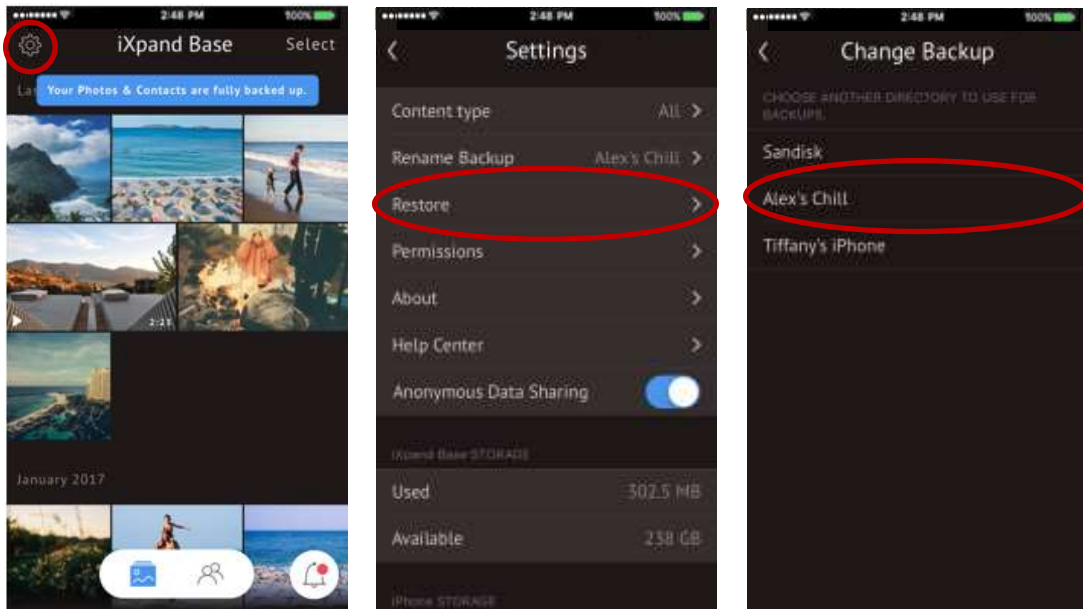


Fig. 1

## Restoring with Multi-Users

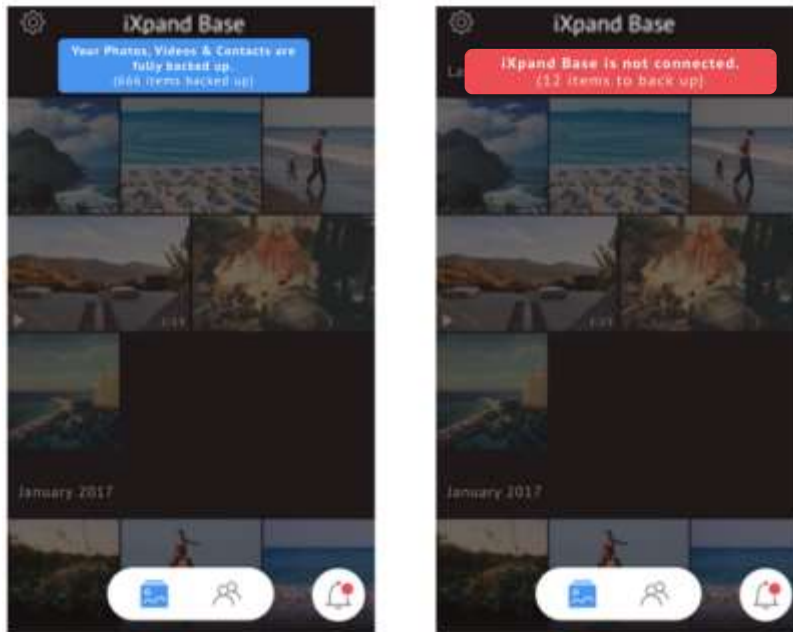
Restoring your device with multi-user is very similar to restoring your device with only one user.

1. Go to Settings (top left corner)  > “Restore”
2. Choose which device you want to restore
3. Tap on “Select” at the top right corner of the screen
4. “Select All” or select the specific photos and videos you would like to restore
5. Tap on “Restore” at the bottom of the screen



## App Offline Mode

Even when you are not connected to the iXpand Base, the app has the capability to inform you about the status of your last back up, so that as a user you have the confidence/knowledge that your content is safe. And you can go ahead and delete and free up memory space of your iPhone/iPad device. The red status bar at the top of the screen will give you the status.



## Device Firmware Update

SanDisk rolls out regular app updates to constantly improve the user experience.

When a firmware update is available and the drive is connected to an iPhone or iPad device, you will see a prompt in the app.

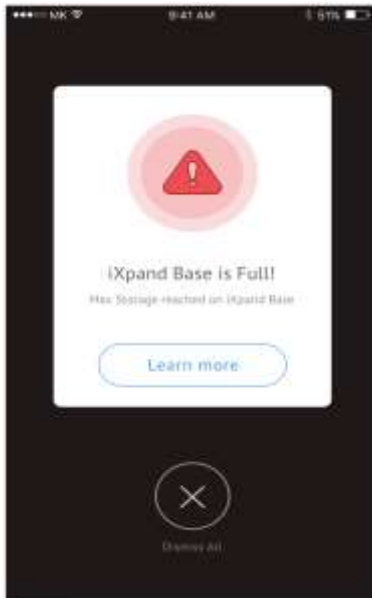


*DO NOT disconnect the drive while app update is in progress.*

# Troubleshooting & Support

## iXpand Base SanDisk Ultra® SD Card is Full

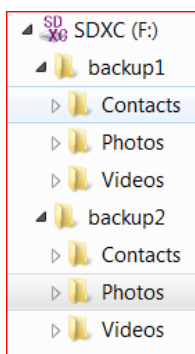
*If you get the notification that your iXpand Base or SD card is full after backing up data over time, transfer the data from the SD card to any computer.*



*Simply take out the SD **card** on the base, and put into any card reader attached to your computer.*

*The default folder name is "iPhone" however you can rename your backups to any name you want.*

*In the iPhone folder you'll see (contacts/photos/videos)*



*Here you can move the photos and videos to your desktop. Once that is done place your sd card back in to the iXpand base to continue backing up your data.*

*If you have a micro USB 2.0 cable you can connect the iXpand Base directly to your computer to transfer files from the card to your desktop.*

*Or you can take out the SD card and use another Sandisk branded memory card to continue backing up your data.*

*Images taken on iOS 11 that have the HEIC/HEVC format are not compatible with windows pc. For more information [click here](#)*

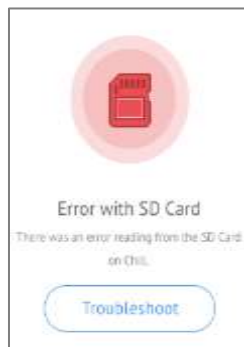
*Please note: The iXpand Base will resume backup from the point where the sd card was full. This way it will continue the backup process seamlessly.*

*Please note: Micro USB 2.0 cable is not included with the iXpand Base.*

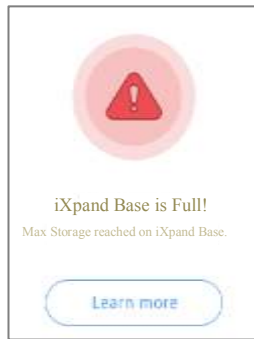
## **Important Notifications**

Press on the bell icon at the bottom right corner and swipe through (left to right). Following are some of the possible notifications you can see.

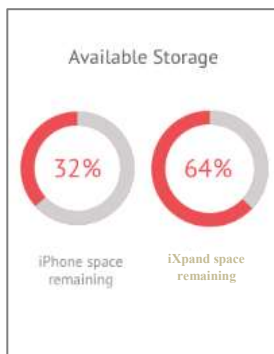
1. When there is an error with the SD card



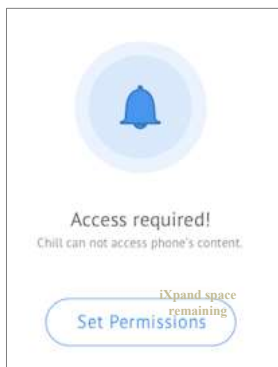
2. When the iXpand Base is almost full .



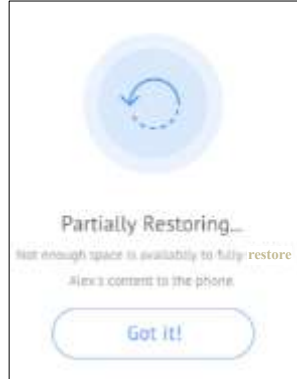
3. When you want to view the memory status on your Phone and Device (this is not a critical notification)



4. When you did not set the permissions to allow access to your files




5. When your device does not have enough space, the iXpand Base will enact a partial restore, where it will restore as much information as possible



These notifications provide quick access to status, recommendations and troubleshooting that are sometimes critical to take for normal functioning of the iXpand Base app.

## Inapp Support

Go to Go to Menu  > Help Center. To access the Opening walkthrough, Getting started guide and Online support.

## Online Support

The support page for iXpand flash drive is available at:

[https://kb.sandisk.com/app/answers/detail/a\\_id/20317](https://kb.sandisk.com/app/answers/detail/a_id/20317)

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iPhone 5, iPhone 5c, iPhone 5s, iPhone 6, iPhone 6 Plus, iPhone 6s, iPhone 6s Plus, iPad Air, iPad mini, iPad mini 4, iPad Pro, iPad with Retina display; iXpand drive app and iOS 8.2 required.

Support for .WMV, .AVI, .MKV, .MP4, .MOV video formats. DRM-protected content cannot be streamed. Check with the content provider for playback restrictions.

Up to 40MB/s read. Write speeds lower and vary by capacity. USB 2.0 support required. Based on internal testing; performance may be lower depending upon host device. 1MB=1,000,000 bytes.

1GB=1,000,000,000 bytes. Actual user storage less.

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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