

The September Apple event failed to mention anything involving the iPad, but 9to5Mac insists we are still to get news relating to the tablet later this year-- at least if one is to believe some clever digging into the iOS 12.1 beta.



According to the Apple news website, the recently released iOS beta has at least one hint relating to a new iPad model. The Setup app contains a mention of a "2018 fall" iPad, a suggestion the app is to get an update to teach users how to use gestures on an upcoming tablet. Previously 9to5Mac reported on further clues, such as the suggestion of a landscape support for Face ID and, rather intriguingly, an icon showing an iPad with thin bezels and no Home button.

Another potential feature discovered by 9to5Mac is a means to sync Memojis between devices. Of course, this could simply serve the owners of multiple iPhones, but it is more likely designed for the owners of both an iPhone and an iPad.

What would a future iPad involve? A September report from reliable analyst Ming-Chi Kuo mentions Face ID capabilities and, in an Apple first, a switch from Lightning port to USB-C. The analyst also suggest the tablet will ship with a new 18W USB-C charger, a more powerful version of the 5W charging handled by the iPhone.

As to when Apple will reveal such an iPad, multiple outlets suggest an October event, which is likely considering the mention of "fall" in the iOS 12.1 code. Then again, over the past 3 years Apple has announced new iPad Pro models on November, March and June, so ultimately we can only wait and see.

Go [iOS 12.1 References "iPad2018Fall," All But Confirming New iPad Pro Debut Next Month \(9to5Mac\)](#)

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