

# Next iPad Rumored to Have iPad Mini Design Elements

Apple is preparing to launch a new iPad in March 2013, claims Japanese blog *Macotakara*, citing an "inside source".

This new iPad will be thinner and lighter than the current one, with iPad mini design elements, the [report claims](#) [1].

The upcoming iPad will reportedly trim 4mm in height, 17mm in width and 2mm in depth from the current one.

In comparison, the fourth-gen iPad's dimensions are 241.2 x 185.7 x 9.4mm. The iPad mini's dimensions, on the other hand, are 200 x 134.7 x 7.2mm.

The report doesn't reveal any other technical specifications of the upcoming device. Though a thinner, lighter iPad sounds appealing, we're taking this one with a big grain of salt. Apple did speed up its iPad release cycle from one year to about 8 months in 2012, but another iPad in March would mean the company is churning out new iPads even faster.

Macotakara also mentions an [2] upgraded iPad mini is in the works, with a retina (2048 x 1536) 7.9-inch screen and an A6X processor, just like the one in the current iPad.

[3] [Read More](#)

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