

# Version

Midjourney routinely releases new model versions to improve efficiency, coherency, and quality. The latest model is the default, but other models can be used by adding the `--version` or `--v` parameter or by using the `/settings` command and selecting a model version. Each model excels at producing different types of images.

`--version` accepts the values 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 5.1.

`--version` can be abbreviated `--v`

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## Default Model Version 5.1

The Midjourney V5.1 model is the newest and most advanced, released on May 4th, 2023. To use this model, add the `--v 5.1` parameter to the end of a prompt, or use the `/settings` command and select [5 MJ Version 5.1](#)

This model has a stronger default aesthetic, making it easier to use with simple text prompts. It also has high Coherency, excels at accurately interpreting natural language prompts, produces fewer unwanted artifacts and borders, has increased image sharpness, and supports advanced features like repeating patterns with [--tile](#)



*Prompt: vibrant California poppies --v*

**5.1**



*Prompt: high contrast surreal collage --v*

**5.1**

## Model Version 5.1 + Style Raw Parameter

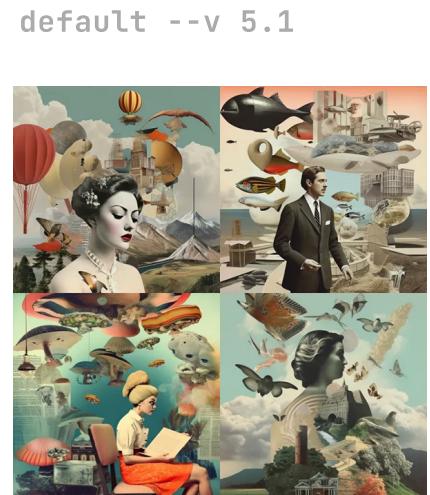
Midjourney Model Version 5.1 can be fine-tuned with the `--style raw` parameter to remove some of the default Midjourney aesthetic style.



`vibrant California poppies`

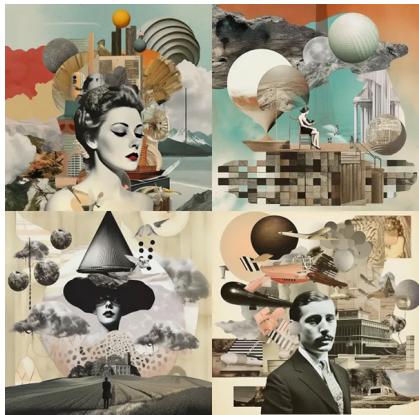


`vibrant California poppies --style raw`



`high contrast surreal collage`

--v 5.1 --style raw



high contrast surreal

collage --style raw

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## Model Version 5

The Midjourney V5 model produces more photographic generations than the default 5.1 model. This model produces images that closely match the prompt but may require longer prompts to achieve your desired aesthetic.

To use this model, add the `--v 5` parameter to the end of a prompt, or use the `/settings` command and select **5 MJ Version 5**



*Prompt: vibrant California poppies --v 5*



*Prompt: high contrast surreal collage --v 5*

# Model Version 4

The Midjourney V4 was the default model from Nov 2022–May 2023. This model featured an entirely new codebase and brand-new AI architecture designed by Midjourney and trained on the new Midjourney AI supercluster. Model Version 4 had an increased knowledge of creatures, places, and objects compared to previous models.

This model has very high Coherency and excels with [Image Prompts](#).



*Prompt: vibrant California poppies*



*Prompt: high contrast surreal collage*

# Niji Model 5

The Niji model is a collaboration between Midjourney and [Spellbrush](#) (<https://spellbrush.com/>) tuned to produce anime and illustrative styles with vastly more knowledge of anime, anime styles, and anime aesthetics. It's excellent at dynamic and action shots and character-focused compositions.

To use this model, add the `--niji 5` parameter to the end of a prompt, or use the `/settings` command and select Niji version 5

This model is sensitive to the `--stylize` parameter. Experiment with different stylization ranges to fine-tune your images.

## Niji Style Parameters

Niji Model Version 5 can also be fine-tuned with `--style` parameters to achieve unique looks. Try `--style cute`, `--style scenic`, or `--style expressive`.

`default --niji 5`



birds perching on a twig --  
niji 5

`--style cute`



birds perching on a twig --  
niji 5 --style cute

`--style expressive`



birds perching on a twig --  
niji 5 --style expressive

`--style scenic`



birds perching on a twig --  
niji 5 --style scenic

## Niji 5 vs. Midjourney Version 5.1

--v 5.1



vibrant California poppies

--niji 5



vibrant California poppies --  
niji 5

--v 5.1



birds sitting on a twig

--niji 5



birds sitting on a twig --niji

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## How to Switch Models

### Use the Version or Test Parameter

Add `--v 4` `--v 5` `--v 5.1` `--v 5.1` `--style raw` `--niji 5` `--niji5` `--style expressive` `--niji5` `--style cute` or `--niji5` `--style scenic` to the end of your prompt.

**prompt** The prompt to imagine



/imagine

prompt

## Use the Settings Command

Type `/settings` and select your preferred version from the menu.

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## Legacy Models

You can experiment with early Midjourney models using the `--version` parameter [Read more about Midjourney Legacy Models.](#) (<https://docs.midjourney.com/legacy/docs/models>)

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