

The Most Useful iOS Shortcut for Obsidian

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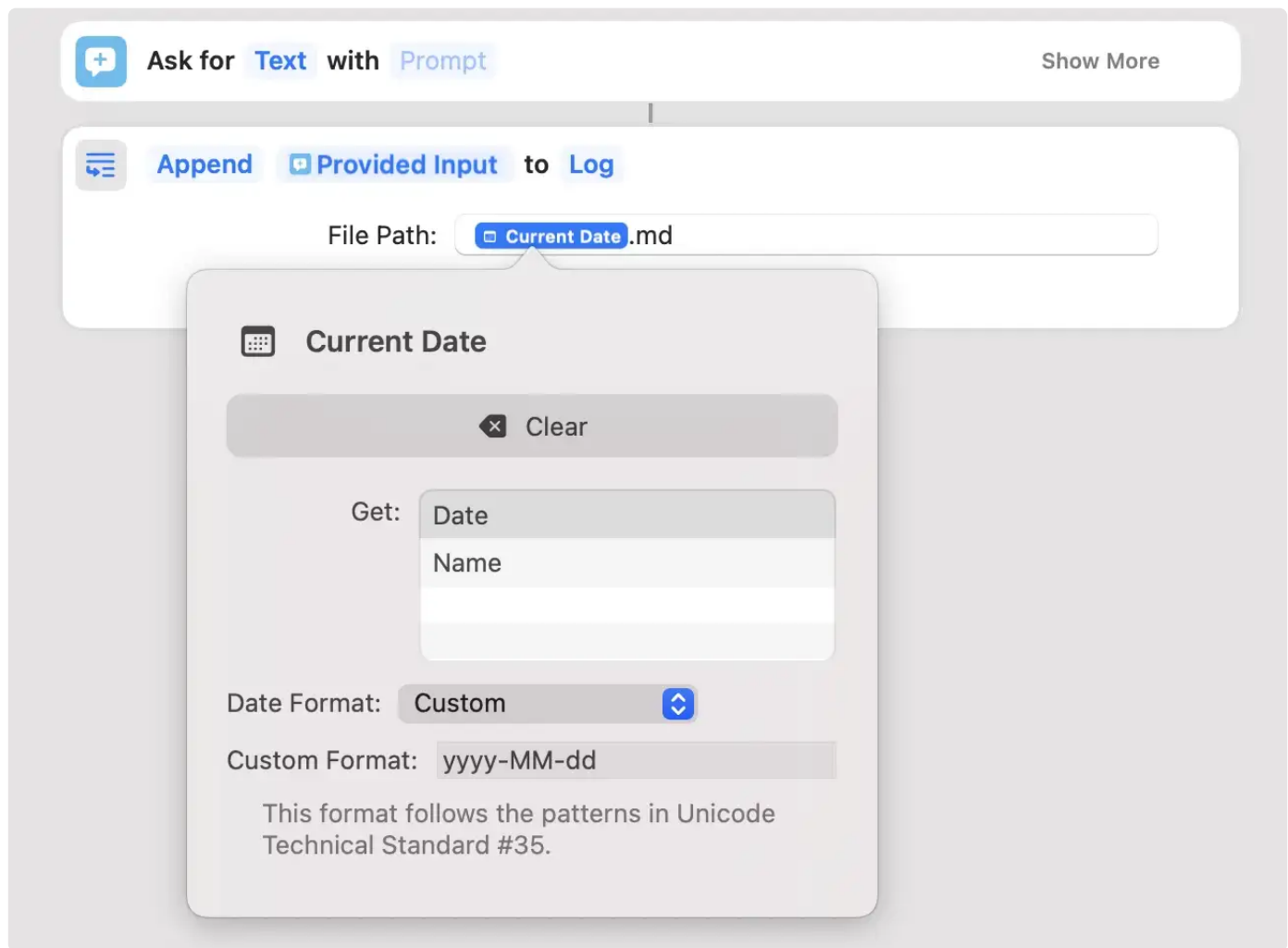
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This one will be a quick post, but just wanted to share a super simple iOS shortcut I use for Obsidian that is pretty game changing.

Like many modern note taking apps, Obsidian has a ‘batteries included’

focus on daily notes. Like an inbox, the idea is that you by default put everything in the daily note. Unlike an inbox, daily notes are not meant to necessarily be reviewed and cleared. For example, I eliminate the need for reviewing an inbox by simply creating specific tasks to follow up on later. Ultimately, everything I need to follow up on ends up being tasks, and when I think of a task to create I simply append it to my daily note. As a result, almost *anything* I think of, I want to capture in my daily note.

A while back I discovered a method for super quick capture that I use in iOS. This approach is particularly well suited to Obsidian since everything is just files. I have a shortcut on my home screen with these two simple actions:



Since everything is just files in Obsidian, the iOS Shortcuts app doesn't need to know anything about Obsidian. I simply have a standard way of naming my daily log files and encode that in the shortcut.

When I have a thought, I quickly tap this shortcut and write or dictate it using iOS's native capabilities. Even though it is also easy to open Obsidian (which defaults to my daily log) and write things down, I find this a bit faster and more frictionless to capture quick thoughts on the go.

Hope this simple tip helps you out!

More on how I use daily notes and tasks in these two posts:

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