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Case

UITabBarController.Mode.tabSidebar

The system displays the content as either a tab bar or a sidebar, depending on the context.

iOS 18.0+ | iPadOS 18.0+ | Mac Catalyst 18.0+ | visionOS 2.0+

case tabSidebar

Mentioned in

 [Elevating your iPad app with a tab bar and sidebar](#)

Discussion

Different platforms handle the mode differently:

- On iPad, the system displays the content as either a tab bar or a sidebar, depending on the context.
- On Mac Catalyst, the system displays a sidebar.
- On iPhone and Apple TV, the system displays the platform's regular tab bar.
- In visionOS, the system displays the platform's regular tabs, but a [UITabGroup](#) can display a sidebar when it displays the group's view controller.

For more information, see [Elevating your iPad app with a tab bar and sidebar](#).

See Also

Setting modes

`case automatic`

The system sets the display mode based on the tab's content.

`case tabBar`

The system displays the content only as a tab bar.