Apple is working on a doorbell camera with Face ID

Apple is working on a new smart doorbell camera that uses Face ID to unlock your door, according to *Bloomberg*'s Mark Gurman in today's *Power On* newsletter. The camera could be released by the end of 2025 "at the soonest," Gurman writes.

The lock would work just like your iPhone, automatically unlocking your door when you or another resident looks at it. Like biometric login info on other Apple devices, the camera would be equipped with the company's Secure Enclave chip that stores and processes Face ID information separately from the rest of the system's hardware.

Gurman writes that this device will "likely" work with existing third-party HomeKit smart locks and that the company may also partner with a smart lock company "to offer a complete system on day one." He expects the camera will make use of Apple's in-house "Proxima" combination Wi-Fi / Bluetooth chip that's rumored for new HomePod Mini and Apple TV devices next year.

This doorbell camera joins a broader collection of rumors surrounding a renewed Apple push into the smart home that's centered around Apple Intelligence. Those include another new smart home camera, a possible Apple-branded TV, and new smart home displays — one a simple iPad-like device that magnetically attaches to wall mounts or speaker bases, while another display sits on the end of a robotic arm attached to a larger base.

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