The Google Pixel 8’s latest leak shows off big AI camera updates

Pixel 8 camera specs and a new AI promo video for the phone were posted by *91Mobiles,* courtesy of leaker Kamila Wojciechowska, giving us our first real look at how Google will integrate more AI into its flagship smartphones (via *9to5Google*).

Magic Editor, which the company said earlier this year would come to “select” Pixel phones, is like a supercharged version of Magic Eraser. It enables you to remake any picture you take so it looks like you want it to. That’s shown in a demonstration where a person takes three pictures of a family on a carousel and combines them into one shot so that everyone is smiling and looking at the camera at the same time.

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The company also demonstrates Magic Editor by moving subjects around in an image, pulling out background objects, and replacing the midday sky with a sunset, which also changes the whole vibe of the picture’s lighting. It’s all very similar to what Google first showed at I/O back in May. It’s also good fodder for the debate about the increasingly blurred line between what’s real and what’s not in photography.

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The video also shows off new DSLR-style manual camera controls that let you tweak the shutter speed and ISO of an image, as well as a focus slider, rather than the usual tap-to-focus fare of built-in camera apps.

Specs Wojciechowska posted show the Pixel 8 Pro getting the better camera system with a new 48MP ultrawide camera with a 125.5-degree field of view and a 48MP telephoto, while both cameras get a 50MP wide camera. The specs also show the Pixel 8 getting a similar 12MP ultrawide camera to the one from the Pixel 7 Pro, increasing its field of view from 114 degrees to 125.8.

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