

Managing your Passwords

Introduction

The purpose of this document is to help you avoid all those loose pieces of paper lying around and all those spiral notebooks full of current and extinct passwords. There are several tools for accomplishing this and they will be discussed below.

Here are some options

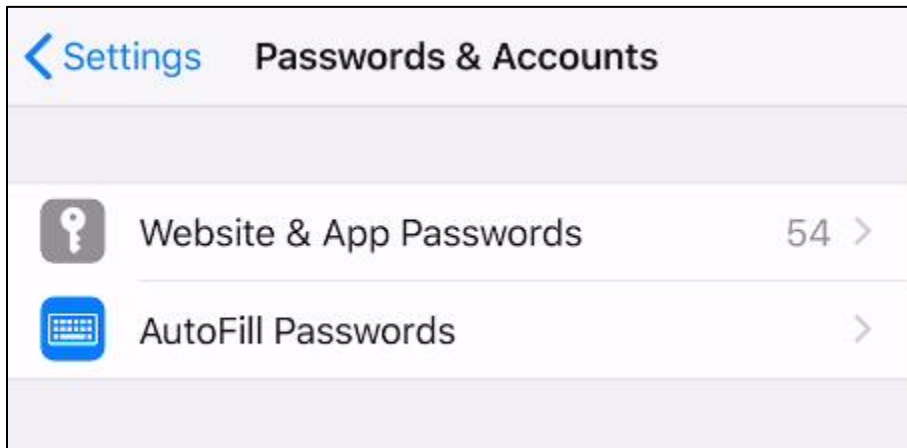
1. Use a password manager that will sync passwords across all your mobile devices as well as your Desktop PC. Examples or RoboForm and LastPass and others.
2. Use the built-in password manager of iOS which is based on the Keychain feature.
3. Use a combination of methods 1 and 2.

Let me begin by telling you what I do. I use RoboForm Everywhere which synchronizes my passwords across all my devices and PCs. You can read about it [here](#). Here's what you can do with RoboForm.

- You can put the software on a flash drive and use it anywhere there's a PC.
- Go to Settings, Accounts and Passwords, Autofill Passwords and enable RoboForm on your mobile devices.
- You can log into RoboForm from any PC and use it there.

Using Keychain

You can access your passwords stored by Keychain by going to Settings, Passwords and Accounts and tapping Website and App Passwords. Note from the figure below that I have 54 stored passwords.

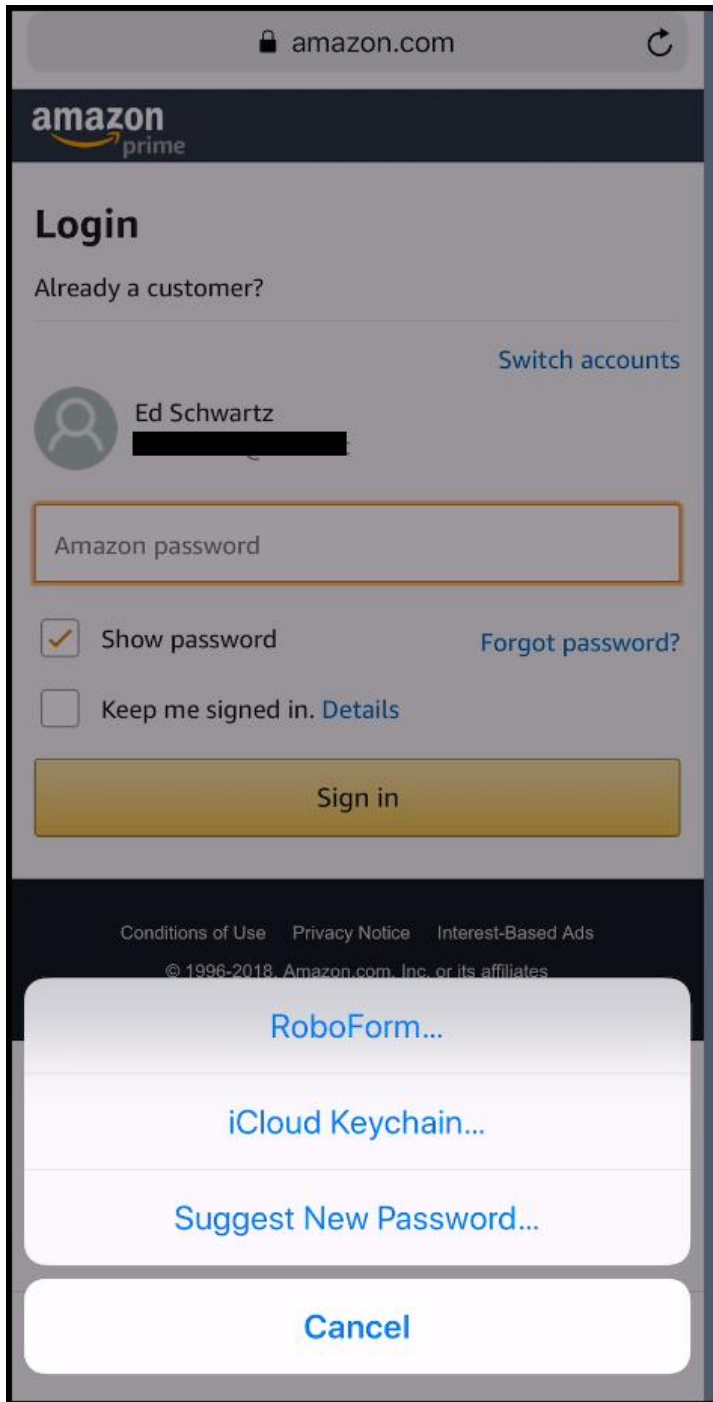


Keychain works in the background as follows:

- When you log into a web site for the first time and tap in the password field, you will see an option labeled Passwords as shown below.

The screenshot shows a mobile login interface. At the top, the word "Login" is displayed in a large, bold, black font. Below it, the text "Already a customer?" is followed by a horizontal line. To the right of the line is a blue link that says "Switch accounts". Below this is a user profile section featuring a grey circular icon with a person silhouette, the name "Ed Schwartz", and the email address "edwardns@cox.net". A password field is highlighted with an orange border and contains the text "Amazon password". Below the password field are two checkboxes: the first is checked and labeled "Show password" with a blue link "Forgot password?" to its right; the second is unchecked and labeled "Keep me signed in." with a blue link "Details" to its right. A large yellow "Sign in" button is positioned below the checkboxes. At the bottom of the form, there are navigation arrows and a blue "Done" button. A keyboard is visible at the bottom, with a grey bar above it containing a key icon and the word "Passwords".

- After tapping Passwords, you will have 3 options as shown below. Only choose Suggest New Password if you don't have an existing password. Otherwise, choose another option. Your options will vary if you don't have RoboForm installed or if you using another password manager.



When you are viewing your stored passwords on your mobile device, you can tap on any one of them to edit or delete it. Any changes are updated across all your devices.

Final notes

1. It's not necessary to use a password manager other than Keychain.
2. For a list of password managers see [here](#) and [here](#).
3. Read the fine print, Not all "free" password managers are free if you want all of the features.