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The best foldable phones in 2025 will be thin and powerful, but they may not be available everywhere. We've just reviewed the Oppo Find N5, the thinnest new phone in the world, and it's an amazing foldable phone that you can't buy in the US. You can still get our favorite foldable phones, like the Google Pixel 9 Pro Fold and the OnePlus Open, but we may have to wait a while to see exciting new foldable innovations on every shore.To crush hopes even further, Oppo partner company OnePlus says it won't be releasing a OnePlus Open 2 this year. That bad news follows Samsung launcing its most desirable Galaxy Z Fold Special Edition only in a few select markets, and not the US, UK, or Australia.Will we see a Google Pixel 9 Pro Fold follow-up at Google I/O in May, 2025? Will the upcoming Samsung Galaxy S25 Edge be as thin as the next Galaxy Z Fold 7? Those are the big questions for foldable phones in the months ahead.If you want the best phone overall, foldable or flat, check out my list of the best phones you can buy.Here are our top picks for the best foldable, the best flip phone, and the best choice for folks looking for a bargainBest foldable phones 2024Why you can trust TechRadarWe spend hours testing every product or service we review, so you can be sure youre buying the best. Find out more about how we test.We've reviewed all of the best foldable phones you can buy; here are specs and everything you need to know to choose your favoriteThe best foldable phone(Image credit: Philip Berne / Future)The Pixel 9 Pro Fold is the first foldable I've reviewed that feels completely normal no matter how you use it. The cover display is the exact same as the screen on the Google Pixel 9, no more and no less. The inner display is the largest screen ever stuffed into a foldable phone at the time.No matter how you use it, the Pixel 9 Pro Fold is easy and satisfying. It has some AI tricks that are incredibly useful, other photo AI tools that are almost magical, and some photo Reimagine tools that can be downright scary. However you feel about AI, the Pixel 9 Pro Fold is definitely the best phone to give all of Google's AI advances a try.The cameras on the Pixel 9 Pro Fold are decent, with excellent zoom on par with the best camera phone. The image quality isn't quite as good as I'd hope for such an expensive phone, but I can definitely see that foldable cameras are getting better.The Pixel 9 Pro Fold isn't quite as powerful as the Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 6, and it isn't as stylish as the OnePlus Open, but it has the right combination of slim design, advanced features, and amazing screen quality to make it my favorite foldable phone for 2024.Read our full Google Pixel 9 Pro Fold reviewThe best bargain foldable phone(Image credit: Philip Berne / Future)The OnePlus Open gives us everything we want in a foldable phone that we weren't getting before. It has great cameras, especially for portraits and selfies. It also has the best design of any big foldable phone, especially if you're willing to pay a bit more for the OnePlus Open Apex edition, which comes in a Crimson Shadow Color and includes 1TB of storage inside. .In classic OnePlus fashion, the OnePlus Open is a flagship killer, so you get great specs, especially when it comes to the phone's performance and the great displays, inside and out. You also get a cool design, all for a lower price than most competitors. Don't be scared off by the phone's price tag, OnePlus is making it easy to get an even bigger discount if you have any phone to trade.The OnePlus Open admittedly comes with some compromises that you won't find on a Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 6. It isn't water resistant, while Samsung's phone can take a dunk under water. It doesn't have S Pen support, or a ton of great productivity features, like Samsung has.That doesn't matter, because the OnePlus Open is built right, while the Samsung Fold just feels wrong. It's too narrow when closed, while the OnePlus Open feels perfect. If you want a tablet foldable phone for less, there's only one to consider.Read our full OnePlus Open reviewThe best foldable phone cameras(Image credit: Lance Ulanoff / Future)The Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 6 is the most feature-packed foldable phone you can buy - by far. It has so many options for running multiple apps in multiple windows, with productivity tools and shortcuts added throughout the system. It really is a power-user's foldable phone, and it's perfect for business use.I'm not a big fan of the slimmer cover display, which Samsung says makes the phone easier to use one-handed while closed. Still, the power and performance of the Galaxy Z Fold 6 are undeniable. This is the fastest foldable you can buy, and it's not even close.The Galaxy Z Fold 6 also has the best cameras of all the foldable phones I've tested. Samsung's camera modes shine when I'm taking food photos, or nature close-ups. You won't be disappointed with the images you get from this phone, unlike previous generations of foldable phones.With all of that, the Galaxy Z Fold 6 also supports Samsung's S Pen (if you buy the Fold version that is softer on the inner display), so this is the only foldable for folks looking for a drawing tablet on the inside, and not just a bigger display. It's one of the most expensive foldable phones, but it offers more than all of the rest.Read our full Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 6 reviewThe best flip phone(Image credit: Philip Berne / Future)The Samsung Galaxy Z Flip 6 is the most powerful and reliable flip phone you can buy. It may not be as fun as the Motorola Razr Plus 2024, but it feels much more durable and powerful, and Samsung's AI features are surprisingly fun and useful.In fact, the Galaxy Z Flip 6 is the rare Samsung phone that I wish included even more of Samsung's advanced software features. Samsung offers so many options and customizations that it can be hard to keep track of them all. Thankfully, Samsung's Bixby is the best voice assistant to help use your phone, and Samsung's other AI features, like the writing assistants, can be a useful tool, without crossing any AI red lines (so far).The Galaxy Z Flip 6 is Samsung's most refined flip phone design yet, and it feels remarkably solid. Other flip phones make you wonder if they'll break after a few thousand flips or so, but the Samsung feels like it will last as long as my knuckles can bend it.The colorful options look much better in person for the Z Flip 6, so check them out if you can, or just stick with the unique, textured black that you can only buy online. It's a very cool look.Read our full Samsung Galaxy Z Flip 6 reviewThe best cover display(Image credit: Philip Berne / Future)The Motorola Razr Plus 2024 had one job: to be just a bit more cool than the Razr from 2023. It mostly succeeded, thanks to an even larger cover display, bright new color options, and useful shortcuts and features that make it fun to use.The Razr Plus 2024 should be my favorite flip phone of the year, but Samsung had the edge in durability and performance, especially when it came to the cameras. Still, the Razr Plus 2024 is very fun to use and show off, and it's a phone that stands out in a crowd in the best way. Wait until you get to hang up on someone, or hang up on all social media.The Motorola Razr Plus 2024 will win you over the moment you snap it closed, and again every time you open up that humongous, bright display.My only real complaint about the Razr Plus 2024 is the lack of guardrails on Motorola's AI features, especially the AI wallpaper generator. With more AI coming, we'll have to keep a close eye on whether Motorola's AI can become a bit more respectful.Read our full Motorola Razr Plus 2024 reviewThe best import foldable(Image credit: Jamie Richards / Future)The Oppo Find N5 is a marvel of engineering and a generational step forwards for the folding phone category unfortunately, it's also very hard to buy - it's totally absent from the US, UK, and Europe. It's coming to Australia, but we don't have official pricing yet.So, we won't include the Oppo Find N5 in our rankings, but we had to give it a mention thanks to its futuristic design and immense hardware power.As our review liberally mentions, the Oppo Find N5 is the thinnest tablet foldable phone in the world, and the thinnest folding phone after the tri-fold Huawei Mate XT. It's just 4.21mm thin when unfolded, thinner than an iPad Pro, and 8.93mm folded, which is just barely thicker than an iPhone 16 Pro Max.Somehow that's still enough space for a Snapdragon 8 Elite processor, 16GB of RAM, and a class-leading 5,600mAh battery. It also weighs about as much as a typical slab flagship, so it's easy to forget you're using a folding phone at all, at least until you open its massive inner display.Oppo wasn't content to just make the world's thinnest book-style foldable, and so equipped the Find N5 with the largest displays found on a phone of this type. With an immersive 8.12-inch inner display and 6.62-inch cover screen, the Oppo Find N5 makes any video, article, or game look fantastic, building on the great screens found on the OnePlus Open (the previous-generation Find N3 in all but name). It's also water resistant, with a titanium hinge that's far more durable than prior models.There are some drawbacks the Find N5's cameras have been downgraded to allow for a slimmer profile, there's no dust resistance, and there are a few software bugs to iron out but the "wow" factor of holding such a powerful, beautiful, slim device never fades. It's a shame the Find N5 isn't coming to more territories, because this is a phone that puts up a very strong fight against the competition.Read our full Oppo Find N5 reviewHow to choose the best foldable phone for youFirst decide if you want a foldable phone that opens into a larger tablet display, or a foldable phone that folds into a smaller clamshell device. We have picks for both options.A tablet foldable phone gives you an outer display that is a little smaller than a normal smartphone, especially if you buy a Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 6 instead of our pick, the Google Pixel 9 Pro Fold. The inside display on the Pixel 9 Pro Fold is the largest I've seen on any phone, and it gives you more screen real estate than an iPad mini.A flip foldable phone gives you an inner display that is larger than most smartphones. The Motorola Razr Plus 2024 has a 6.9-inch foldable display (and so does the Moto Razr 2024), while an iPhone 16 Pro Max has a 6.7-inch display.How we test the best foldable phonesWe've only included phones on this list that we've thoroughly tested, and our testing regiment is deep and detailed. We test every aspect of a phone that you might use from day-to-day, then we dive deeper to discover all of the hidden features.We test phones for battery life and charging, speed and performance, and especially for camera capabilities. We make sure that phones deliver on their manufacturer's promise. If it says a phone can charge in 30 minutes, we break out the stopwatch.We've seen every phone around, so we have a good idea of how each model stacks up to one another. We know what you're getting, no matter what you pay. We make sure the phones deliver what we'd expect for the cost.Once we're done, we don't stop. We keep updating our reviews as we learn more, and as the phones are updated. Our reviews are always fresh, so check back before you buy to make sure you're getting the latest opinion on the best phones you can buy.Is Apple making an iPhone Flip folding phone? We've collected everything we know about the rumored foldable from Apple Share copy and redistribute the material in any medium or format for any purpose, even commercially. Adapt remix, transform, and build upon the material for any purpose, even commercially. The licensor cannot revoke these freedoms as long as you follow the license terms. Attribution You must give appropriate credit , provide a link to the license, and indicate if changes were made . You may do so in any reasonable manner, but not in any way that suggests the licensor endorses you or your use. 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While foldables might have started as something of a gimmick, they have shot up in quality over recent years.However, this improvement is something of a double-edged sword, as it means that there are more and more models to choose from. This can make it harder than ever to find the best device for you and to know what to look for in the first place. But I and the rest of the Toms Guide phones team have reviewed and tested all of these devices, learning that it's the little things that really make a great foldable phone.When it comes to the best foldable phone, there's a lot to look at, but all of my favorites share something that makes them special. After several valiant efforts, the Motorola Razr Ultra 2025 lands in our top spot for its superb thin design, long battery life, Moto AI features, and a flagship chipset that outmuscles everything else out there.What's surprising is that the OnePlus Open continues to be a strong contender, despite newer devices like the Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 6 and Google Pixel 9 Pro Fold coming out way after it. Unfortunately, it looks like we'll have to wait longer because a OnePlus Open 2 isn't expected until 2026.There are many other flip style phones, like the Galaxy Z Flip 6 or Motorola Razr 2024, that cost much less than their book-style counterparts all while being more suitable for today's content creators with their flex modes.The latest Razr 2025 models aren't the only ones arriving on the scene. New Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 7 and Galaxy Z Flip 7 offerings are expected to show up this summer. Until they do, I've compiled all of my reviews, along with the ones my colleagues have done, to help you figure out which current foldable is the best for you.Written byThe quick listLoad the next products... The best foldable phones you can buy todayWhy you can trust Tom's GuideOur writers and editors spend hours analyzing and reviewing products, services, and apps to help find what's best for you. Find out more about how we test, analyze, and rate.Best foldable phone overall(Image credit: Tom's Guide / John Velasco)While the base Motorola Razr 2024 is our best-valued phone, its newer cousin in the Razr Ultra 2025 takes flip phones to a new level putting it into flagship territory for the sheer amount of upgrades it packs. While its overall design language remains the same, a new titanium reinforced hinge and more color options makes it feel incredibly sturdy. And yes, it still has an outer screen that's much larger than other devices.It's not just the screens where the Motorola Razr Ultra 2025 excels. I'm glad that Motorola reverts to a more logical dual-camera setup that ditches the telephoto camera of the previous Razr Plus 2024 and swaps it in for a 50MP ultrawide paired with a 50MP main sensor.What's even more impressive about the design is that it isn't any larger or heavier, but somehow Moto's able to cram in a bigger 4,700 mAh battery that makes it the longest lasting foldable phone that I've tested. On top of that, the Snapdragon 8 Elite effectively makes it the most powerful flip phone too.There's also a substantial improvement to the software experience, as Moto AI is properly available from the start. Even though its toolset isn't as robust as the Pixel 9 Pro Fold or Galaxy Z Fold 6, it's a marked improvement over previous Razrs. The only downside here is that you're paying much more now for all of these benefits, plus it has a short 3 years of software support.Read our full Motorola Razr Ultra 2025 review.Best book style foldable(Image credit: Future)As our best overall foldable, there is a lot to love about the OnePlus Open, which we hope to see recreated in the OnePlus Open 2. I reviewed the OnePlus Open and said that the phone should be a wakeup call for everyone. Considering how it's OnePlus' first try at a foldable phone, it's really compelling how it's a baseline for any future foldable phone.OnePlus tried to put in as much as it could in this device, including some impressive cameras. If you want to go even further then you could grab the OnePlus Open Apex Edition. Compared to the base model the Apex Edition boosts the storage and adds pretty cool AI cutout features to make stickers from any photo you take. It also features a VIP mode that lets you turn off the camera and microphone for a little extra privacy.Regardless of which model you pick the phone comes with everything you could want. Both models feature the same thin and light design, the Dynamic Open Canvas multitasking or the frankly amazing battery life (which is great when watching series on some of the best streaming services) and the chance for a pretty good trade-in deal. However, no phone is perfect as the lack of wireless charging might be a turn-off for some and the camera isnt amazing in low light.What's even more impressive is that this came out in late 2023, which shows how OnePlus has created an almost perfect foldable phone that balances out utility, performance, and value. However, it appears that a successor in a OnePlus Open 2 won't happen until 2026.Read our full OnePlus Open review.Best foldable phone value(Image credit: Future)Motorola might not be the dominant force it was in the past, but it can still create a great phone for good value. This is obvious in the Motorola Razr 2024, which is upgraded in all the right areas compared to the prior Razr and is easily our best-value phone. In our review, we noted that the bigger screen offered far more functionality than before, while also being brighter.Now, it should be noted that there are two variations of the Motorola Razr 2024, and both appear in this guide. (What's more, the 2025 editions arrive in May, and a third Ultra version is joining the mix.) What puts this standard foldable ahead of the Plus version is the balance it strikes between features and cost. Everything from the design to the 50MP camera and 13MP ultrawide for as little as $699 is a real steal. In my 200 photo shoot out between the Razr Plus 2024 and Razr 2024, I mention that the Plus still delivers the better camera performance despite ditching the ultrawide camera for a telephoto one.If that was the only change then it would be more than enough for a value phone, but there's even more thanks to the outstanding battery life and surprisingly snappy performance. I said in my Motorola Razr 2024 review that even the Galaxy Z Fold 6 faces a tough competitor. However, there are some issues as there is no ultrawide camera, which might be a turnoff for some, as well as shorter software support compared to other Samsung devices.I'd recommend holding off on buying an Razr until we've had a chance to review the Razr 2025 ahead of its May arrival in stores. The new version has new AI features and an improved MediaTek chipset plus a larger battery than before.Read our full Motorola Razr 2024 review.Most feature rich foldable(Image credit: Tom's Guide)Samsung is probably the most well-known phone maker when it comes to foldable phones and it knows what it is doing. This is no more obvious than with the Galaxy Z Fold 6, which builds and improves upon the prior Galaxy Z Fold 5 and stands as our most feature-rich foldable phone. When TG global editor-in-chief Mark Spoonauer reviewed the phone, he had a lot of positive things to say, especially about the new design, durability and the Snapdragon 8 Gen 3 chip.While there might be some disappointment about the cameras, as they are basically the same as the prior model, theres a noticeable difference in actual image quality. If you look at the difference in quality in my 200 photo shoot out with the Z Fold 6 vs. Z Fold 4, you can see a marked improvement. Furthermore, it's able to come out on top in my 200 photo shoot out with the Z Fold 6 vs. OnePlus Open. While you might not buy a foldable for the camera, it's certainly an addition that you want to see.I also cant talk about a new Samsung phone without mentioning the Galaxy AI features, including the Sketch To Image feature. This allows you to draw anything you want into the Samsung Notes app and then the Galaxy AI will turn it into anything from water art to a 3D cartoon. The results are, as Mark says, pretty frickin impressive.I've also been using the Galaxy Z Fold 6 for an extended period of time, trying to use it as a laptop replacement. And while it's not perfect, its the closest thing we have to it.Read our full Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 6 review.Best display in a foldable(Image credit: Future)Google's foldable game has made a massive leap in quality with the Pixel 9 Pro Fold after the Pixel Fold despite Googles new awkward naming conventions. Theres a lot to love about the Pixel 9 Pro Fold, especially the much bigger and brighter 8-inch main display which is the main reason why it's managed to snag a spot on this list. When we tested the phone in the TG lab, the display was easily the best of any of the foldables we tested. However, that isnt the only thing to love about the phone.In my Pixel 9 Pro Fold review, I mentioned that I loved the longer battery life, durable redesign and the host of AI features that help the phone to stand out from the competition. While it is a pretty great phone, there are a few issues namely the lackluster Tensor G4, although honestly, the average user wouldnt notice that issue in everyday use.Furthermore, I really cant emphasize just how bright the screen is. When we tested it, the screen reached as high as 2,319 nits. Now, normally I would expect this level of brightness to mean that the phone would have a pitiful battery life. However, when we tested the phone it reached 11 hours and 36 minutes, which is more than enough time to watch or play anything you please.Even more remarkable is that my colleague, Richard Priday, shot over 250 photos with the Pixel 9 Pro Fold and Galaxy Z Fold 6 which ended up being a win for Google's foldable phone.Read our full Google Pixel 9 Pro Fold review.Best foldable for cameras(Image credit: Future)Samsung makes a second appearance in this guide, this time for the Galaxy Z Flip 6. There is a lot to love about this little device, firstly just the size of it. The Z Flip 6 looks like any other phone normally, but it folds horizontally across the middle, making it tiny when folded. That alone might make it a slam dunk for you, but theres a bit more to be excited about.In my Galaxy Z Flip 6 review, I praised the overall durable design and the excellent low-light camera performance, not to mention the overall speed of the phone. My biggest praise was easily for the upgrade from a 12MP main camera to a new 50MP main sensor. It offers brighter visuals, and the ability to simulate a 2x zoom. When we compared it in our 200 photo shoot out between the Galaxy Z Flip 6 vs. Motorola Razr Plus (2024) it pulled ahead with ease.Obviously, we also need to mention the Galaxy AI features which, while missing some of the Folds AI abilities, are still pretty impressive. Finally, this is easily the flip foldable with the best camera options, and with the added AI, its a dream to shoot and edit images and videos. However, all this does come at something of a premium, as the phone is $100 more than the prior Galaxy Z Flip 5, and $400 more than the Motorola Razr 2024.Read our full Samsung Galaxy Z Flip 6 review.Best design foldable phone(Image credit: Tom's Guide)OnePlus and Oppo have a lot in common, especially when it comes to foldable phones. The Oppo Find N5 could be our preview to the OnePlus Open 2, which stands out for reaching a new benchmark with notebook-style designs. When it's opened, the Oppo Find N5 boasts a thinness of 4.21mm. That's mind-boggling thin for such a device, beating out the OnePlus Open.If the impressive design isn't enough to convince you, it's also accompanied by a very versatile triple camera system that consists of a 50MP main camera, 8MP ultrawide camera, and a 50MP 3x telephoto camera. In my colleague's Oppo Find N5 review, Richard Priday says that the main camera produces brighter shots than the comparable Pixel 9 Pro Fold while image processing techniques allow its 3x optical zoom camera to deliver even better detail than other cameras with longer optical zooms.There's also the experience, like Boundless View, that allows for a more practical way of multitasking on its inner display. And finally, he says that the 5,600 mAh battery inside of the phone delivers longer results than both the Galaxy Z Fold 6 and Pixel 9 Pro Fold in his testing. The only downside of the Oppo Find N5 is its limited availability, which isn''t directly sold in the U.S.Read our full Oppo Find N5 review.Least expensive foldable phone(Image credit: Tom's Guide)The Nubia Flip 5G is a bit of a surprise model from a lesser-known company, but it stands as easily the cheapest foldable you can currently grab for a staggering $499. It's a great starter device for anyone who doesn't want to drop hundreds.Nubia's first flip foldable is strikingly cheap, which makes it more accessible for more would-be ownersRichard PridayWhen my colleague Richard Priday reviewed the device, he praised the stylish design and smudge-resistant matte texture. The overall look of the phone suggests you paid a lot more for this flip phone-style device than you did. You'll also appreciate the 6.9-inch display that's available when you open up the Nubia Flip 5G.Battery life seemed so-so in our everyday use, but at least the Nubia Flip 5G offers peppy 33W charging that can top off the phone's battery quickly. If you want a foldable phone, but can't afford a more premium model, you certainly won't feel short-changed by this option.Read our full Nubia Flip 5G review.What to look for in a foldable phone(Image credit: Future)Before you buy a foldable phone, you'll need to consider what that kind of device will be able to do for you that a standard phone can't. With the exception of the $699 Motorola Razr, most foldables still cost $1,000 or more. Unless you really need the extra screen real estate, you may be better off with a phablet or one of the other best big phones that we've tested.If you do think a foldable phone will help you get more done, though, be sure to pay attention to the device's construction. Early foldable phones like the Galaxy Fold and original Motorola Razr had design quirks that led us to pan those handsets. With the Galaxy Z Fold 2 in 2020, though, Samsung made some critical changes that made the phone more likely to withstand everyday use, and that work has continued with subsequent models. After adding water-resistance to the Galaxy Z Fold 3, Samsung worked on a lighter, slimmer hinge for its latest foldables like the Galaxy Z Fold 5 and Z Flip 5.There are two screens to consider when buying a foldable phone the larger internal display and a secondary screen, usually on the outside of the device. Find out just what you can do with that exterior screen can you run full apps or is it just there for notifications and a few other features? And does the screen support something like Samsung's continuity feature where the app you're using on the cover screen is waiting for you when you open the device?Apart from size you'll want to make sure a closed foldable phone is something you're comfortable carrying around you're looking at a lot of the same criteria you'd use to judge conventional phones. That includes the processor, cameras and especially the battery life. After all, there are usually multiple screens to keep powered up on a foldable phone.How we test foldable phonesWe test for the best foldable phones the same way we review any smartphone. (See our look at how Tom's Guide tests and review smartphones for a more detailed explanation of our process.) We conduct lab tests, including synthetic benchmarks as Geekbench 5 and 3DMark Wild Life Unlimited to measure graphics performance. We also run a real-world video transcoding test on each phone using the Adobe Premiere Rush app and time the result.Swipe to scroll horizontallyPerformance BenchmarksRow 0 - Cell 0 Geekbench (single-core / multicore)3DMark Wild Life Unlimited (FPS)Adobe Rush Premiere (minutes, seconds)Motorola Razr Ultra 20252,719 / 8,342145.320:59OnePlus Open1,087 / 4,20384.81:08Motorola Razr 20241,055 / 2,99918.970:54Galaxy Z Fold 62,172 / 6,901112.30:40Pixel 9 Pro Fold1,956 / 4,81355.72N/AGalaxy Z Flip 62,091 / 7,022113.40:46Oppo Find N52,985 / 8,528N/AN/ANubia Flip 5G1,074 / 3,0744.991:44To measure the quality of a phone's display, we perform lab tests to determine the brightness of the panel (in nits), as well as how colorful each screen is (DCI-P3 color gamut). In these cases, higher numbers are better. We also measure the color accuracy of each panel with a Delta-E rating, where lower numbers are better and a score of 0 is perfect.Swipe to scroll horizontallyDisplay BenchmarksRow 0 - Cell 0 Brightness(nits)DCI-P3 (%)Delta-EMotorola Razr Ultra 20251,835151.8 (Vivid) / 123.2 (Natural)0.33 (Vivid) / 0.26 (Natural)OnePlus Open1,15879.2 (Natural), 76.6 (Pro), 120.2 (Vivid)0.14 (natural), 0.17 (Pro), 0.29 (Vivid)Motorola Razr (2024)2,104134 (Vivid), 81.7 (Natural)0.4 (Vivid), 0.28 (Natural)Galaxy Z Fold 62,317796.6 (Vivid)0.24 (Vivid)Pixel 9 Pro Fold2,319125.9% (Adaptive), 111.4% (Natural)0.33 (Adaptive), 0.19 (Natural)Galaxy Z Flip 61,94296.2 (Vivid), 84.9 (Natural)0.24 (Vivid), 0.24 (Natural)Oppo Find N5N/AN/AN/ANubia Flip 5GN/AN/AN/AWe run a custom battery test in which we have the phone surf the web over cellular with its screen set to 150 nits of brightness. We then time how long it takes the phone to run out of power. For foldable phones, we conduct this test on the phone's main display.Swipe to scroll horizontallyBattery BenchmarksRow 0 - Cell 0 Battery Life (hours:minutes)Recharge level at 15 minutes (%)Recharge level at 30 minutes (%)Motorola Razr Ultra 202515:4240%72%OnePlus Open12:0750%85%Motorola Razr 202414:3733%58%Galaxy Z Fold 610:3528%56%Pixel 9 Pro Fold11:3618%38%Galaxy Z Flip 611:0127%55%Oppo Find N5N/AN/AN/ANubia Flip 5GN/AN/AN/AWe also test the cameras on each foldable phone, taking them out into the field to perform comparative shots, usually with another device that features comparable specs. In some cases, that's a foldable phone or another device in the same price tier.How to choose a foldable phone?Choosing the best foldable phones boils down to two things: the features matter most to you and your budget.Notebook style foldable phones, like the OnePlus Open and Google Pixel 9 Pro Fold, offer the most suitable productivity experience thanks to their expansive displays. For example, you can run about 2 to 3 apps simultaneously. Want something that's more portable and versatility for content creating? Then perhaps flip phone foldables are better for you, like the Galaxy Z Flip 6 or Motorola Razr Plus 2024, which make it easy to use their superior rear cameras with their outer screens.Now, if your budget is a lot tighter, there are still options for you. There are still very few budget foldable phones, but the Motorola Razr 2024 is a steal for $699 given what it offers.And finally, do you want the ultimate foldable phone that can replace your laptop? The Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 6 is the only model in the list that offers a desktop PC-like experience with Samsung DeX. Plug it into a monitor, pair a mouse and keyboard to it, and then you'll have the ultimate on-the-go laptop replacement.It entirely depends on what you look for in a device and your average use. For the most part, foldable phones dont do much differently from other devices when it comes to communication, they still call and text like any other phone after all. However, their strength comes from the larger display and the opportunity that presents. So, if you are someone who likes to watch a lot of videos or read on your phone, then it could be a solid investment, but the price might turn away the average user. Flip phones are a bit more complicated, as they usually have the same size inner display as your average phone. Their strength comes from how small they can be, so if you want a space saver thats still got all the modern features, then this is the type for you. The simple fact is that the crease is just a part of any device with a flexible screen, especially in Samsung phones. However, theyre not nearly as noticeable as people say. In my experience, you only really notice the crease in very specific circumstances, and it doesnt really affect everyday use. Theres a common misconception that foldable phones will over-bend and break with ease, I know I used to have that concern. However, the hinges are designed in such a way that you will really have to push to break the phone in half and theres no chance of doing it by accident. However, the flexible inner screens are more likely to get damaged than a typical smartphone screen since they're made of softer materials, so keep the phone folded up when you're not actively using it. While the phone isnt likely to just break in half, the hinge can get detritus in it, which makes the folding action crunchier and can lead to permanent damage. But new hinges are better designed and, as such, are much less likely to break or get damaged with everyday use. Many manufacturers rate their foldable as being able to withstand millions of total folds - more than you'll likely ever do during your time with the phone - before breaking. One phone maker absent on our list is Apple. The world's most renowned phone maker has yet to take the plunge here, but rumors hint at a potential foldable iPhone. First of all, it's been debated if Apple would go after a flip-style design with an iPhone Flip, but now it looks like the company's targeting a notebook style one that could open up to nearly the size of an iPad Mini. The latter's tipped for a late 2026 to early 2027 release, with a price tag that could push the needle north of $2,000, which would make it more expensive than its rivals.Today's best Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 6, OnePlus Open, Motorola Razr 2024, Samsung Galaxy Z Flip 6, Google Pixel 9 Pro Fold, Nubia Flip 5G, Find N5 and Motorola Razr Ultra 2025 dealsThe best foldable phones in 2025 will be thin and powerful, but they may not be available everywhere. We've just reviewed the Oppo Find N5, the thinnest new phone in the world, and it's an amazing foldable phone that you can't buy in the US. You can still get our favorite foldable phones, like the Google Pixel 9 Pro Fold and the OnePlus Open, but we may have to wait a while to see exciting new foldable innovations on every shore.To crush hopes even further, Oppo partner company OnePlus says it won't be releasing a OnePlus Open 2 this year. That bad news follows Samsung launcing its most desirable Galaxy Z Fold Special Edition only in a few select markets, and not the US, UK, or Australia.Will we see a Google Pixel 9 Pro Fold follow-up at Google I/O in May, 2025? Will the upcoming Samsung Galaxy S25 Edge be as thin as the next Galaxy Z Fold 7? Those are the big questions for foldable phones in the months ahead.If you want the best phone overall, foldable or flat, check out my list of the best phones you can buy.Here are our top picks for the best foldable, the best flip phone, and the best choice for folks looking for a bargainBest foldable phones 2024Why you can trust TechRadarWe spend hours testing every product or service we review, so you can be sure youre buying the best. Find out more about how we test.We've reviewed all of the best foldable phones you can buy; here are specs and everything you need to know to choose your favoriteThe best foldable phone(Image credit: Philip Berne / Future)The Pixel 9 Pro Fold is the first foldable I've reviewed that feels completely normal no matter how you use it. The cover display is the exact same as the screen on the Google Pixel 9, no more and no less. The inner display is the largest screen ever stuffed into a foldable phone at the time.No matter how you use it, the Pixel 9 Pro Fold is easy and satisfying. It has some AI tricks that are incredibly useful, other photo AI tools that are almost magical, and some photo Reimagine tools that can be downright scary. However you feel about AI, the Pixel 9 Pro Fold is definitely the best phone to give all of Google's AI advances a try.The cameras on the Pixel 9 Pro Fold are decent, with excellent zoom on par with the best camera phone. The image quality isn't quite as good as I'd hope for such an expensive phone, but I can definitely see that foldable cameras are getting better.The Pixel 9 Pro Fold isn't quite as powerful as the Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 6, and it isn't as stylish as the OnePlus Open, but it has the right combination of slim design, advanced features, and amazing screen quality to make it my favorite foldable phone for 2024.Read our full Google Pixel 9 Pro Fold reviewThe best bargain foldable phone(Image credit: Philip Berne / Future)The OnePlus Open gives us everything we want in a foldable phone that we weren't getting before. It has great cameras, especially for portraits and selfies. It also has the best design of any big foldable phone, especially if you're willing to pay a bit more for the OnePlus Open Apex edition, which comes in a Crimson Shadow Color and includes 1TB of storage inside. .In classic OnePlus fashion, the OnePlus Open is a flagship killer, so you get great specs, especially when it comes to the phone's performance and the great displays, inside and out. You also get a cool design, all for a lower price than most competitors. Don't be scared off by the phone's price tag, OnePlus is making it easy to get an even bigger discount if you have any phone to trade.The OnePlus Open admittedly comes with some compromises that you won't find on a Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 6. It isn't water resistant, while Samsung's phone can take a dunk under water. It doesn't have S Pen support, or a ton of great productivity features, like Samsung has.That doesn't matter, because the OnePlus Open is built right, while the Samsung Fold just feels wrong. It's too narrow when closed, while the OnePlus Open feels perfect. If you want a tablet foldable phone for less, there's only one to consider.Read our full OnePlus Open reviewThe best foldable phone cameras(Image credit: Lance Ulanoff / Future)The Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 6 is the most feature-packed foldable phone you can buy - by far. It has so many options for running multiple apps in multiple windows, with productivity tools and shortcuts added throughout the system. It really is a power-user's foldable phone, and it's perfect for business use.I'm not a big fan of the slimmer cover display, which Samsung says makes the phone easier to use one-handed while closed. Still, the power and performance of the Galaxy Z Fold 6 are undeniable. This is the fastest foldable you can buy, and it's not even close.The Galaxy Z Fold 6 also has the best cameras of all the foldable phones I've tested. Samsung's camera modes shine when I'm taking food photos, or nature close-ups. You won't be disappointed with the images you get from this phone, unlike previous generations of foldable phones.With all of that, the Galaxy Z Fold 6 also supports Samsung's S Pen (if you buy the Fold version that is softer on the inner display), so this is the only foldable for folks looking for a drawing tablet on the inside, and not just a bigger display. It's one of the most expensive foldable phones, but it offers more than all of the rest.Read our full Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 6 reviewThe best flip phone(Image credit: Philip Berne / Future)The Samsung Galaxy Z Flip 6 is the most powerful and reliable flip phone you can buy. It may not be as fun as the Motorola Razr Plus 2024, but it feels much more durable and powerful, and Samsung's AI features are surprisingly fun and useful.In fact, the Galaxy Z Flip 6 is the rare Samsung phone that I wish included even more of Samsung's advanced software features. Samsung offers so many options and customizations that it can be hard to keep track of them all. Thankfully, Samsung's Bixby is the best voice assistant to help use your phone, and Samsung's other AI features, like the writing assistants, can be a useful tool, without crossing any AI red lines (so far).The Galaxy Z Flip 6 is Samsung's most refined flip phone design yet, and it feels remarkably solid. Other flip phones make you wonder if they'll break after a few thousand flips or so, but the Samsung feels like it will last as long as my knuckles can bend it.The colorful options look much better in person for the Z Flip 6, so check them out if you can, or just stick with the unique, textured black that you can only buy online. It's a very cool look.Read our full Samsung Galaxy Z Flip 6 reviewThe best cover display(Image credit: Philip Berne / Future)The Motorola Razr Plus 2024 had one job: to be just a bit more cool than the Razr from 2023. It mostly succeeded, thanks to an even larger cover display, bright new color options, and useful shortcuts and features that make it fun to use.The Razr Plus 2024 should be my favorite flip phone of the year, but Samsung had the edge in durability and performance, especially when it came to the cameras. Still, the Razr Plus 2024 is very fun to use and show off, and it's a phone that stands out in a crowd in the best way. Wait until you get to hang up on someone, or hang up on all social media.The Motorola Razr Plus 2024 will win you over the moment you snap it closed, and again every time you open up that humongous, bright display.My only real complaint about the Razr Plus 2024 is the lack of guardrails on Motorola's AI features, especially the AI wallpaper generator. With more AI coming, we'll have to keep a close eye on whether Motorola's AI can become a bit more respectful.Read our full Motorola Razr Plus 2024 reviewThe best import foldable(Image credit: Jamie Richards / Future)The Oppo Find N5 is a marvel of engineering and a generational step forwards for the folding phone category unfortunately, it's also very hard to buy - it's totally absent from the US, UK, and Europe. It's coming to Australia, but we don't have official pricing yet.So, we won't include the Oppo Find N5 in our rankings, but we had to give it a mention thanks to its futuristic design and immense hardware power.As our review liberally mentions, the Oppo Find N5 is the thinnest tablet foldable phone in the world, and the thinnest folding phone after the tri-fold Huawei Mate XT. It's just 4.21mm thin when unfolded, thinner than an iPad Pro, and 8.93mm folded, which is just barely thicker than an iPhone 16 Pro Max.Somehow that's still enough space for a Snapdragon 8 Elite processor, 16GB of RAM, and a class-leading 5,600mAh battery. It also weighs about as much as a typical slab flagship, so it's easy to forget you're using a folding phone at all, at least until you open its massive inner display.Oppo wasn't content to just make the world's thinnest book-style foldable, and so equipped the Find N5 with the largest displays found on a phone of this type. With an immersive 8.12-inch inner display and 6.62-inch cover screen, the Oppo Find N5 makes any video, article, or game look fantastic, building on the great screens found on the OnePlus Open (the previous-generation Find N3 in all but name). It's also water resistant, with a titanium hinge that's far more durable than prior models.There are some drawbacks the Find N5's cameras have been downgraded to allow for a slimmer profile, there's no dust resistance, and there are a few software bugs to iron out but the "wow" factor of holding such a powerful, beautiful, slim device never fades. It's a shame the Find N5 isn't coming to more territories, because this is a phone that puts up a very strong fight against the competition.Read our full Oppo Find N5 reviewHow to choose the best foldable phone for youFirst decide if you want a foldable phone that opens into a larger tablet display, or a foldable phone that folds into a smaller clamshell device. We have picks for both options.A tablet foldable phone gives you an outer display that is a little smaller than a normal smartphone, especially if you buy a Samsung Galaxy Z Fold 6 instead of our pick, the Google Pixel 9 Pro Fold. The inside display on the Pixel 9 Pro Fold is the largest I've seen on any phone, and it gives you more screen real estate than an iPad mini.A flip foldable phone gives you an inner display that is larger than most smartphones. The Motorola Razr Plus 2024 has a 6.9-inch foldable display (and so does the Moto Razr 2024), while an iPhone 16 Pro Max has a 6.7-inch display.How we test the best foldable phonesWe've only included phones on this list that we've thoroughly tested, and our testing regiment is deep and detailed. We test every aspect of a phone that you might use from day-to-day, then we dive deeper to discover all of the hidden features.We test phones for battery life and charging, speed and perform