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This guide will explain how the network protection feature works on the Private Internet Access iOS app.

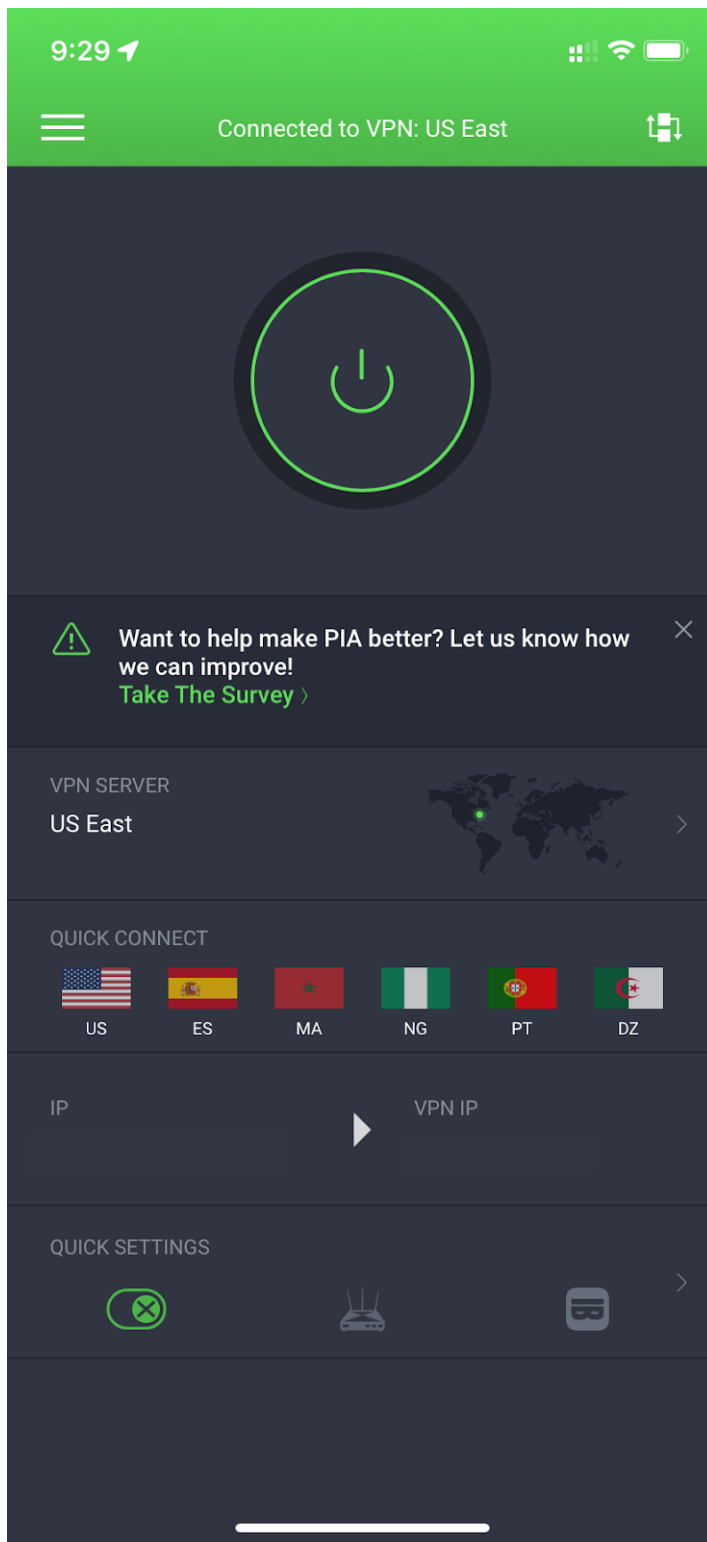
The PIA iOS app has an in-built feature called *Leak Protection* which will enhance your digital security. If you connect your iOS device to a unsecure Wi-Fi network that has a malicious access point, your traffic could leak in cleartext.

You can mitigate security risks by enabling PIA's *Leak Protection*, which will automatically push all traffic through the VPN tunnel.

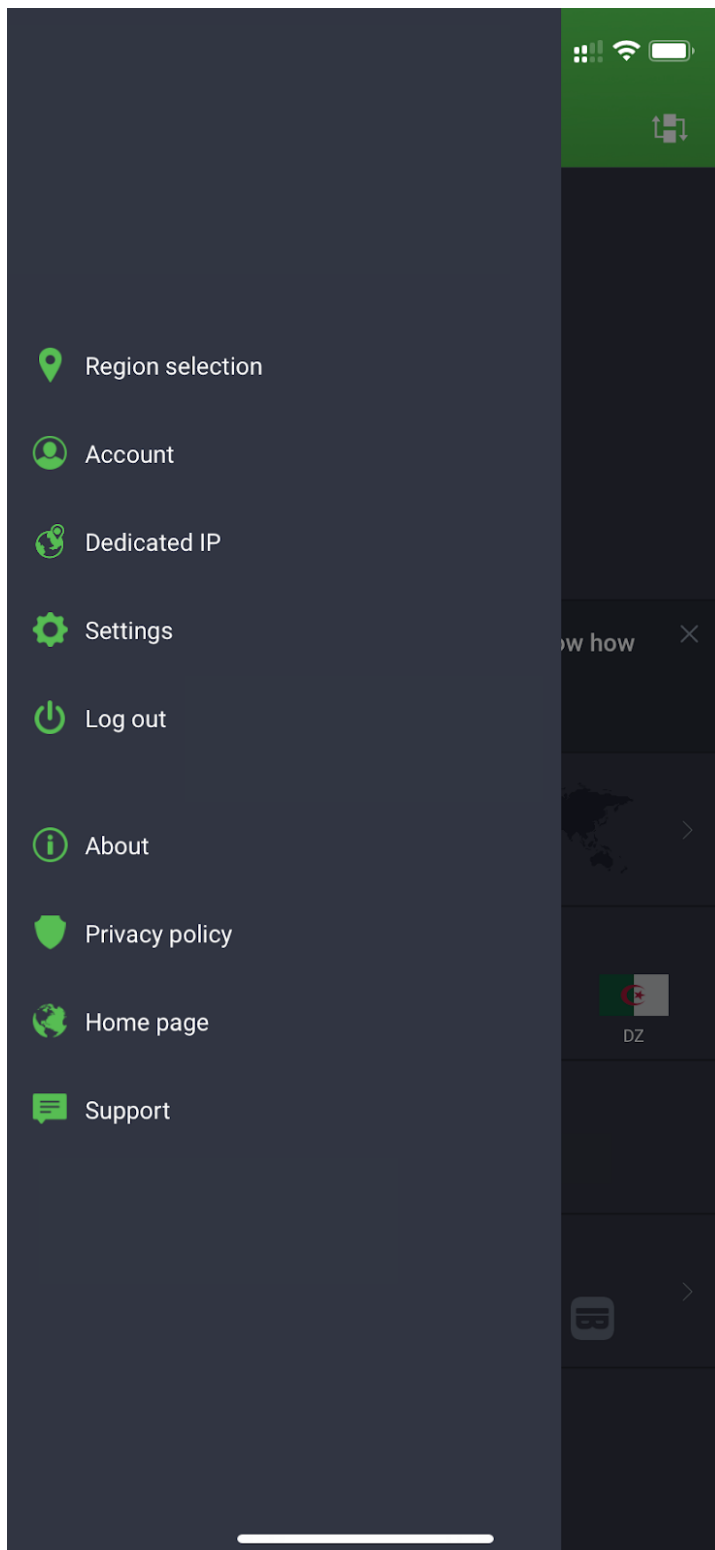
**Note:** Enabling this feature might cause features like AirDrop to not work correctly.

Follow these steps to turn on *Leak Protection*:

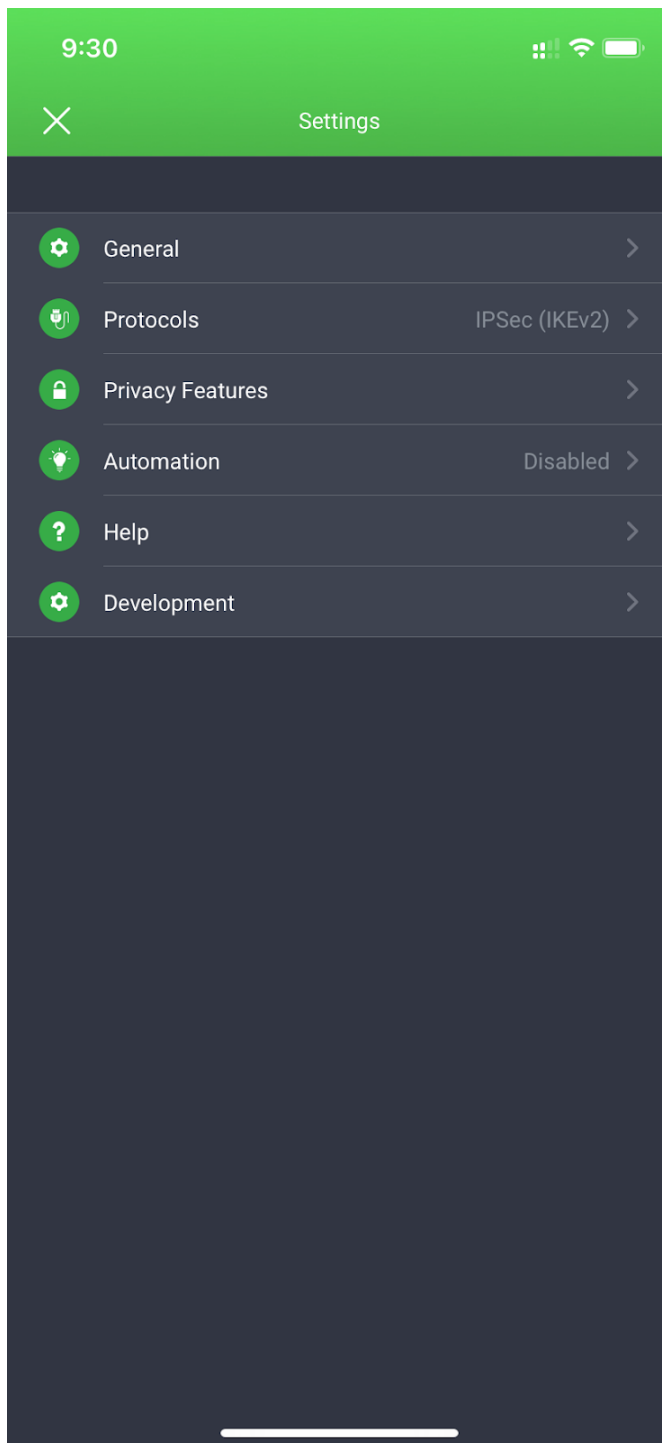
1. In the app, tap the hamburger icon in the upper left-hand corner.



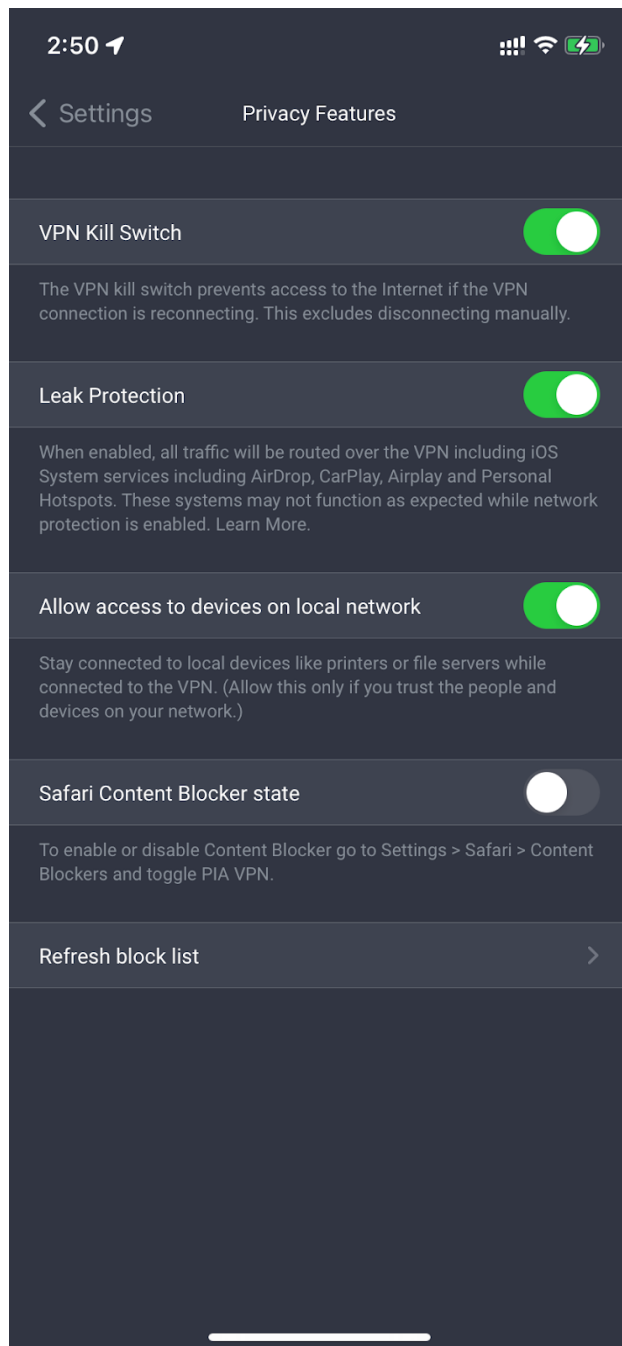
2. Choose *Settings*.



3. Choose *Privacy Features*.



4. Toggle *Leak Protection* on.



**Note:** The *Leak Protection* feature is currently unavailable with WireGuard and OpenVPN. Please change the protocol if you do not see this option under *Privacy Features*.

To protect you from data leaks, the PIA iOS app will disconnect you from other devices on your Wi-Fi network as long as your traffic is redirected through the VPN tunnel. If you are connected to a trusted network, you can choose to stay connected to these devices by toggling on *Allow access to devices on local network*. This feature will alert you every time you connect to a potentially malicious network.

