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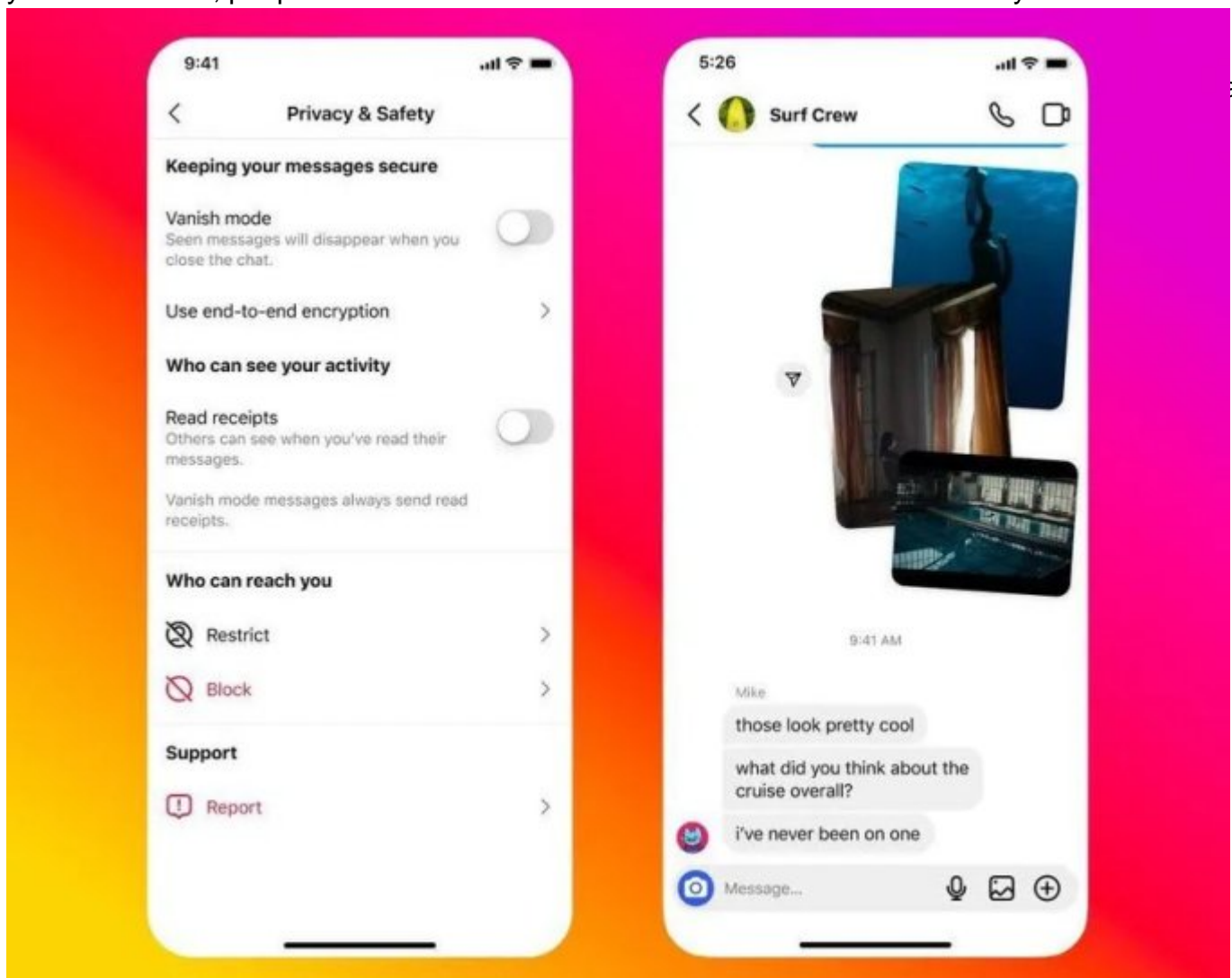
# Instagram is finally testing a feature to let you turn off read receipts for DMs

## Description

Instagram is finally testing a feature that will let users turn off read receipts for Instagram DMs. This way, even if you have read someone's message, they won't see the "seen" label below the message.

Both Mark Zuckerberg and Adam Mosseri announced this feature on their broadcast channels.

"We heard your feedback and have started testing a new feature that lets you turn read receipts off in your DMs. Soon, people will be able to choose when to let others see when they've read their



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Meta didn't specify in what capacity the company is testing these features and when it will roll out to all users.

Instagram is really late in releasing this feature, considering the Meta-owned app [WhatsApp launched the ability to turn off read receipts in 2014](#).

The company also plans to roll out default end-to-end encryption protection for Instagram DMs once it finishes that feature's rollout for Messenger. In August, Meta said that the company aims to finish work on enabling [end-to-end encryption by default on Messenger](#) by the end of the year.

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