

Smart Phone Applications & Suggestions

I use my smart phone for so many purposes. With my phone, I play my favorite games against family and friends and strangers. I make daily calls to family members care free or at little cost using Wi-Fi Apps I have previously downloaded.

Applications I find useful and have downloaded include those that allow me to:

- safely keep all my Internet passwords;
- give me access to all my bank account numbers and passwords;
- give me access to all my credit card numbers and emergency numbers to call should I lose them;
- allow me to use my phone as a very powerful torch or flashlight;
- allow me to use my phone as a currency converter, converting any currency I choose at up-to-date daily rates;
- let me see the time in any city where my family or friends may live or be traveling using a world clock;
- enhance the already great photographic ability of my built-in camera;
- let me use programs such as Skype or VOIP to communicate free of charge worldwide, actually seeing the reactions of family as well as hearing them;
- give me knowledge of where the nearest local free Wi-Fi hotspots are;
- give me instant access to all of my email accounts and allow me to read and reply to them;
- give me the ability to scan documents or other material straight into my phone and transmit them anywhere in the world;
- enhance the already great GPS in the phone using Google Maps, allowing me to know where I am and to navigate to new places in a safe manner;
- allow me to search the Internet using search engines such as Google and Yahoo for anything I need to know, including asking any number of questions and being given accurate answers;
- allow me to keep up-to-date contact lists with phone numbers, and other details of family and friends and house swap details;
- offer me not only a foreign dictionary but also one using voice for phrases and sentences using phone applications;
- can be used to scan traffic and other notices written in foreign languages to inform me of what they mean;
- allow me to purchase and read entire books with a built-in reading light, a device that ensures that I never lose my place in each book I am reading, and a built-in dictionary within each book;
- allow me to play my favorite games;
- allow me to easily indulge in my favorite hobbies;
- allow me to locate nearby hotels, restaurants, toilets, garages and other places of interest;
- direct me to the nearest petrol station, including information on which one sells gasoline at the lowest price;
- give me suggestions for area attractions, with easy access to its history, cost of entry, directions, hours of operation and coupons;
- allow me to check in for a flight and have my boarding passes sent straight to my phone, which I then use at the airport instead of having to print them

And the list goes on and on. So many clever applications are becoming available every day. Many of them are terrific for the traveler.