

# Google Home Connected Apps and Services

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Google Home

[google.com/home](https://google.com/home)



## COMMANDS YOU CAN USE WITH GOOGLE



### Watch or listen to media

**Music** — Play music from popular music services by artist, song, genre, album, playlist, mood, or activity

**News** — Get the latest news from sources you trust

**Podcasts** — Listen to popular podcasts

**Radio** — Listen to popular radio stations



### Control TVs and speakers

**Play audio on speakers and TVs using Google Home** — Stream audio to any speaker that has Chromecast Audio plugged in or Chromecast built-in

**Play video using Google Home** — Stream video content to any TV that has Chromecast plugged in or built-in

**Multi-room audio** — Group any combination of Google Home, Chromecast Audio, or speakers with Chromecast Audio built-in together for synchronous music throughout the home

**Play audio from your phone to Google Home** — Play audio from your phone to Google Home from 100+ Chromecast-enabled audio apps or by [playing your Android Audio](#).

**Play YouTube videos on TVs using Google Home** — Initiate and control YouTube videos to any TV with Chromecast or Chromecast built-in — using only your voice.

**View Google Photos using Google Home** (US only) — Enjoy a slideshow of your personal photos

from your Google Photos library on any [voice-supported TV with Chromecast or Chromecast built-in](#) — using only your voice.



## Plan your day

**Traffic** — Ask for traffic and travel times when driving, walking, or biking

**Local guide** — Search for local places and ask for additional information

**Weather** — Ask for current weather or forecasts for the week for your home location or any other location

**Calendar** — Ask about an event or get your schedule for the day from Google Calendar

**Flight information** — Get status updates on your upcoming flight

**My day** — Get a curated daily snippet about your day which includes weather, calendar, commute, reminders, and news

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Design or change your google home colors – Check for [designer covers here](#)



## Manage tasks

**Timer** — Set, pause, check, resume, and cancel timers

**Alarm** — Set, check, cancel, stop, and snooze multiple and/or recurring alarms

**Shopping list** — Add items to your Shopping list and check what's already on it



## Get answers

**Facts & info** — Ask Google what you want to know

**Finance** — Ask about current individual stock prices or current points of an index, like the NASDAQ

**Sports** — Ask for scores, live updates, or next game date, location, and time

**Calculator** — Perform complicated calculations

**Translation** — Get translations for words or phrases in supported languages

**Unit conversions** — Get unit conversions

**Nutrition** — Get nutrition information for ingredients or food

**Dictionary** — Get definitions and spellings for words



## Control your home

**Control your thermostats** — Control the temperature with supported smart thermostats

**Control your lights** — Turn on/off, dim, and check if lights are on with supported smart bulbs

**Control your plugs** — Turn on/off devices around your home with supported smart plugs

**IFTTT - If this, then that** — Control countless online services and third-party smart devices that aren't directly integrated



## Have fun

**Games** — Test your knowledge with trivia and games.

**Fun** — Try various queries to see if Google Home has some surprises.



**BEST COMPANION GADGET FOR GOOGLE HOME - CHROMECAST**

## Basic voice commands for all content providers

To do this...

Say "Ok Google" or "Hey Google," then...

Request a <b>song</b>	"Play <song name>", "Play <song name> by <artist name>", "Play <song name> on <music service>"
Request an <b>artist</b>	"Play <artist name>", "Play <artist name> on <music service>"
Request an <b>album</b>	"Play <album name>", "Play <album name> by <artist name>", "Play <album name> by <artist name> on <music service>"
Play music based on <b>genre/mood/activity</b>	"Play classical music", "Play happy music", "Play music for cooking", "Play <genre> on <music service>"
Play <b>personalized suggested content from chosen service</b>	"Play some music", "Play <genre> music on <music service>"
Play <b>music on your speakers, TV, or video device. Note: <a href="#">Device linking</a> is required.</b>	"Play music on my living room TV", "Play <genre> on my bedroom speakers"
<b>Pause</b>	"Pause", "Pause the music"
<b>Resume</b>	"Resume", "Continue playing"
<b>Stop</b>	"Stop", "Stop the music"
<b>Play next song</b>	"Next", "Skip", "Next song"
<b>What's playing</b>	"What's playing?", "What song is playing?", "What artist is playing?"
<a href="#">Control volume</a>	"Set volume to 5", "Set volume to 40%"

## CONTROL YOUR HOME AND SERVICES BY VOICE

### Audio

- Google Play Music
- YouTube Music (US only)

- Spotify



- Pandora (US only)



- TuneIn



- iHeartRadio

## Smart home

- Nest Thermostats



- [Philips Hue](#)

- Samsung SmartThings
- Honeywell



- Belkin Wemo

- Wink



- [TP-Link](#)

- LIFX
- Best Buy Insignia
- If This Then That, by IFTTT
- Osram
- Lowes Iris
- Lutron Caseta
- iHome
- Emberlight
- Leviton
- Artik Cloud
- iDevices (Lights, plugs, and switches)
- NuBryte
- Universal Devices (Lights, plugs, and switches)
- Mobilinc (Lights, plugs, and switches)
- LightwaveRF
- Plum

- Voice UPB Bridge
- Smartika



- Nanoleaf
- Hive
- Awair
- Wiz
- Deako
- Geeni
- Lutron Connect

### **Streaming devices**

- Google Chromecast (Chromecast, Chromecast Audio, Chromecast Ultra)
- Vizio
- Toshiba
- Philips
- Sony
- Bang & Olufson
- B&O PLAY
- Grundig
- Polk Audio

### **Videos and Photos (Chromecast or TV with Chromecast built-in required)**

- YouTube



- Netflix
- Google Photos

### **Tasks**

- Google Calendar





### **Games and Fun**



- [Mad Libs](#)




## ADVANCED VOICE COMMANDS FOR FREE AND SUBSCRIPTION SERVICES

### Available music services:

1. Google Play Music 
2. YouTube Music  (US only)
3. Spotify 
4. Pandora  (US only)




**Note:** For all services, Google Home currently supports a single account per streaming service.

## HOW TO - SETTING YOUR DEFAULT MUSIC SERVICE ON GOOGLE HOME

1. Open the Google Home app .
2. In the top left corner of the Home screen, tap **Menu** .
3. Verify that the Google Account that is listed is the one [linked to Google Home](#). To switch accounts, click the triangle to the right of the account name.
4. Tap **Music** .
5. To choose your default service, tap the radio button to the left of the service.
6. Linking functionality:
  1. For Google Play Music and YouTube Red, your accounts are automatically linked when you link your Google Account to Google Home.
  2. For Spotify and Pandora, you will need to link your accounts.
    - To connect your account, tap **LINK**.
    - Sign in or sign up for the service and complete the sign-in flow.
    - To unlink an account, tap **UNLINK**.

## HOW TO - PREVENT GOOGLE PHOTOS FROM DISPLAYING ON TVs

If [Personal results is on](#), Google Photos will show on TVs using Google Home by default. To turn off this feature, follow the steps below.

1. Open the Google Home app .
2. In the top left corner of the Home screen, tap **Menu** .
3. Verify that the Google Account that is listed is the one [linked to Google Home](#). To switch accounts, click the triangle to the right of the account name.
4. Tap **More settings**.
5. Under "Services," tap **Videos and photos**.
6. Under "Photos," slide the slider off .

*Ref links*

- Google home - <https://support.google.com/googlehome/answer/7172483?hl=en>
- Our google home review - <http://www.gadgetaustralia.com/cool-gadgets/is-google-home-the-future-of-the-internet-of-things/>
- Chromecast review – Old version (<http://www.gadgetaustralia.com/cool-gadgets/launch-chromecast-the-google-gadget/> )

Google Home is only available to purchase in the **United States, United Kingdom, Canada, and France.**

The Google Assistant on Google Home is only available in **English (U.S., U.K., Canada), Canadian French, and French.**