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TRAVEL IN COMFORT AND EASE WITH THESE HELPFUL APPS



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Hi There & Welcome

Traveling abroad is always exciting. However, sometimes it's fair to miss the comfort and ease of your home comforts - like ordering food, understanding transportation links, talking with locals, and availing of constant WiFi or cell connection.

With these 12 apps, your trip to Greece will be as simple as if you were at home. Included are some apps to help with translation, transportation, travel, currency, and convenience.

Before you fly, make sure you have these apps installed on your device to make this trip to Greece the best it can be!



Whether you're one to venture off onto some unmarked path or one who sticks to the road, you are bound to get lost at least once. An app you likely already have on your phone, Google Maps, can lead you to your next destination, whether by foot, car, or train.

If you don't have data or if you think your data will be spotty, offline maps will help you know where you are going and for those who may be a bit directionally challenged, they come to save the day. Another helpful tip for Google Maps is marking your hotel, hostel, or Airbnb as a favorite on your phone so you don't have to type out the full address every time, rather type in "Hotel" or "Airbnb" and your phone will show you the best way to get there.

Apple

Android

Available:



You may want to download the Athens International Airport Mobile App. It will provide information on flights and airport services. It shows sections of the airport, shopping, ATM's, etc. Upon arrival in Athens, you will likely find yourself in the Athens Eleftherios International Airport, Download the app prior to your arrival to Athens





ATHENS

Athens Travel Guide Seeing the Sites & Getting Around on the Subway

You can carry city tour guides on your phone instead of carrying a physical guidebook. You'll get an in-depth guide to the best spots in the city. <u>The app includes an interactive offline map and</u> <u>GPS functionality.</u> The app highlights attractions such as the Acropolis, Parthenon, Temple of Athena Nike, Erechtheum, Acropolis Museum, and Temple of Poseidon.



Apple



OASA Telematics Getting Around by Bus

If you want to take the bus in Athens then download the OASA Telematics app. You can hop on a bus in a flash. The app also updates with your location and will direct you to the nearest station.

Be advised you have to purchase bus tickets before getting on the bus. You can purchase tickets at any metro station and designated kiosks.

Available:



Android

B Beat Taxi App

<u>Beat</u> is similar to Uber, but it works with local taxis. As with Uber, it allows users to input their pick-up and drop-off locations. Drivers are rated, so you can choose one with a good rating before they arrive at your location. When requested, you can also get an estimated price to see how much the taxi will cost. Be sure to ask the driver to start the meter so you will not be charged a flat rate.

You can connect Beat to your credit card but some drivers don't take credit cards so make sure to have some cash.





Google Translate Communicating with the Locals

Although the Greeks speak english, you still need an app to help translate for Grecians who don't speak English. Google Translate also includes a camera that will translate handwriting, street signs, text, etc. You just align your phone up to the text and the app will provide a rough translation from Greek to English. Just have a photo?

Highlight the words on the photo and draw in the letters as if it's a piece of paper and the conversation and voice features allow it to translate using words spoken into the microphone of your device.





Solis Portable Wifi Wifi Done Right

OMG, I'm running out of data on my phone. Solis Portable Wifi can help with Global WiFi in 130+ countries. No SIM cards are needed. Use code EBIZTRAVEL and get 10% off your personal wifi companion for an untethered life. Superfast 4G LTE hotspot for unlimited productivity



Available: Realize Solis Portable Wifi



e-food **Food Delivery**

You don't have to leave your room to get a good meal. E-food will deliver directly to your hotel room or NoirBnB There are a lot of options from breakfast to dinner. E-food is partnered with many cafes, coffee shops, and restaurants.

Various delectables are available for every budget. You can see what the minimum purchase is, an estimation of the time it will take, and see restaurant photos with descriptions. Delivery is free and credit cards can be used.



AthensBook Know what's around

Want to know where the basics are? Use AthensBook to find the nearest pharmacy, bakery, ATM, or restaurant. This app will also show traffic, the subway, and will list the nearest taxi stands.

Available: Apple







Available:

WhatsApp Connect w/Your Tribe

Stay connected with people who are vacationing with you, and your family and friends back home. WhatsApp is great for messaging and calling internationally free of charge.

For those who get an international number, you can keep your US phone number and have your friends from home contact you via WhatsApp. It's great for groups too. So create a group for your trip. Stay connected and share photos.

Apple

Android



XE Currency Currency Conversion

You need to know the <u>exchange rate</u>. <u>Convert USD to Euro in a flash</u>. Use this app to compare pricing and to see what you are actually paying in USD.

Sometimes that can make or break whether you want to spend the money.







Who wants to stand in line when the trip is over and you have returned to the USA? Nobody! Going through customs when it is crowed; sucks! Download Mobile Passport App. It's an app for US Citizens that allows users to skip many of the lines in customs by completing the forms upon touchdown into the US. You are submitting your passport information electronically which allows you to breeze thru the inspection area. Note: You can only complete the form upon landing as the receipt is only valid for 4 hours. Mobile Passport is currently only available at 26 major airports across the US, so check to see if your arrival airport allows for Mobile Passport.



There you have it!

Ready to go? Great, let's do it!

Apps and technology have made travel so much easier and accessible for all. No more fumbling through phrase books or worrying you won't find the right connection from the airport.

With these apps, you will be able to do everything and more throughout your entire trip abroad.

If you have any questions, get in touch! We are always here to help make each trip as memorable as the last.

Bonus Tip - Learn how to purchase a subway card in Athens





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