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Xtremer Ban-G

Getting Started Guide



The purpose of this guide is to introduce to you some basic features and settings of your new friend and partner: Xtreamer Ban-G – an Android mobile phone.

Android OS provides an open platform, lots of flexibility and a true freedom to customize your phone to be uniquely suitable to your needs. And that's great but if you have no experience with Android your first contact can be somewhat overwhelming: all these options, settings, features and functions can present a bit of a challenge.

Those new to the smartphone scene are suddenly required to learn a whole new operating system and people used to the ordered simplicity of Apple products feel that they are confronted by chaos.

Surprisingly there are almost no newbie guides for Android. So this is what we wanted to give you: a few very simple tutorials and some advice on how to use your new device.

So, let's begin...

A few words about Android

Android is an operating system for mobile phones, in much the same way that many PCs run Microsoft Windows as their operating system. It is developed by **Google** and allows you to use many of the programs you might have on your home computer, such as Skype, Internet browsers, document readers and editors, but in addition to that it provides access to the applications specifically created for devices with the touch-screen interface.

With Android you literally have the world on your fingertips.

On Xtreamer Ban-G you have an Android version called Jelly Bean. This is an advanced OS: smoother, faster and more responsive than anything you might have seen on a mobile device. There are a lot of nice little features that will make your life easier and more convenient and we will go through some of them.

What does Android look like?

Android's standard layout is to have a series of **Home screens**, which can contain **shortcuts** to launch **apps**, or can contain **widgets**, which are small programs that serve a single function, such as controlling your music or displaying Facebook updates.

From the Home screens, you can bring up a menu with all of your other apps on. Very little is done from within the Android interface, but instead you launch an app for what you want to do, including dialing the phone or browsing through your contacts.

Android itself contains the functions that are vital to using a mobile phone, including the phone dialer, text messaging client and phone number storage. Google also provides some additional apps, including a Gmail email client, Google Maps (which features free turn-by-turn satellite navigation), YouTube etc. All of these applications are pre-installed on your Ban-G.

Beyond that, you can also buy or download for free many other apps to enable your phone to do more. You can do it by using Google Play Store.

Turning you phone on for the first time

You can find the instructions on inserting SIM and SD cards in the User Manual you received with your phone. Please make sure to fully charge your battery before you switch the Ban-G on.

We also advise you to verify that you have a Google account. Please note, that you can use an Android phone without connecting to Google but this will put a lot of functions out of your reach. For starters, you would not be able to use over a million apps in Google Play Store.

If you have a Gmail account, it means you already connected to Google.

And one more thing: using a smartphone means using its Internet features. Make sure you have a good mobile plan with sensible data transfer rates. You might want to contact your mobile service provider to make sure everything is as it should be,

When you turn the phone for the first time, the Android will take you through the Setup Wizard. It will connect you to the Google services via your Google account, setup your system and keyboard language etc. Please follow the instructions on the screen.

It will only take a couple of minutes.

Once your phone is on, you will be taken to the Android "Desktop".

The Desktop



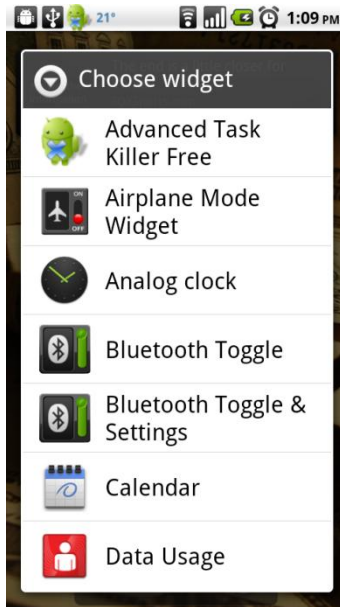
The Android desktop is composed of multiple **home-screen panels**. You can customize the Android desktop to reflect your interests, and you can make it as full and dynamic as you like.

When you power up your phone, you'll see the **main homescreen panel**. This panel is typically centered, and you can access additional panels on either side of the main one by swiping your finger left or right. What goes on the homescreens is up to you. You can fill the space with any combination of **shortcuts**, **widgets**, and **folders**.

As you'd expect, short-cuts are small icons that let you load apps or other functions on your phone; they function much like the ones you see on a PC desktop. You can set a shortcut to do anything from opening a program to linking to a specific Web page to initiating a phone call.

To add a **shortcut**, simply press and hold your finger on any open space on your home screen, and select Shortcuts from the resulting pop-up menu.

Widgets are dynamic programs that operate directly on your homescreen. They can perform any number of functions-giving you the latest weather, for example, or letting you play music from either your personal collection or from the Internet. Should you want more, you can download additional widgets from the **Google Play Store**.



Folders are a good way to keep your content organized while simultaneously expanding your homescreen space. A folder lets you group multiple shortcuts in a single space. When you tap on a folder, a box pops up showing all of the shortcut icons inside that folder. You can fill one folder with one-touch dialing shortcuts to all of your favorite contacts, and another, perhaps, with various phone-number lookup utilities. Folders help you add many useful things to your homescreens without eating up a lot of space.

To add one, press and hold your finger on an open space. Select **Folders**, and then **New Folders**. Then drag and drop as many shortcuts into the folder as you wish. To give it a custom name, tap the folder once to open it, and then hold your finger along the top bar until the **Rename** folder dialog box appears on your screen. To move any shortcut, widget, or folder, simply touch and hold your finger to it. After a couple of seconds, it will seem to lift up from the screen. You can then drag it anywhere, including to another panel and drop it wherever you like. As you drag and drop, you'll also see a trash symbol at the bottom-center of the screen; slide any icon down onto the trash symbol to remove it from the homescreen altogether.

There are four keys on phone that allow you easy access to various functions and features. You can always find them in the bottom of your home screen. The first three are standard Android keys: a **Menu** button, a **Home** button, a **Back** button. These keys will help you navigate through your phone more easily, no matter what program or process you're running.

Pressing the **Menu** key brings up a list of options relevant to the area of the phone you're currently using. When you press it on the Homescreen, it permits you to access your **phone's settings** and other customization options.

The **Home** key has two functions: If you press it once, it takes you back to your home screen. If you press and hold it, it allows you to multitask and switch to other programs you've recently used.


Pressing the **Back** key takes you back one step to whatever you were doing prior to the beginning of your current step. It works in Web navigation, e-mail navigation, or navigation to a previously open program.

The last key brings up the list of the last accessed apps and programs and allows you to quickly return to an application you were using.

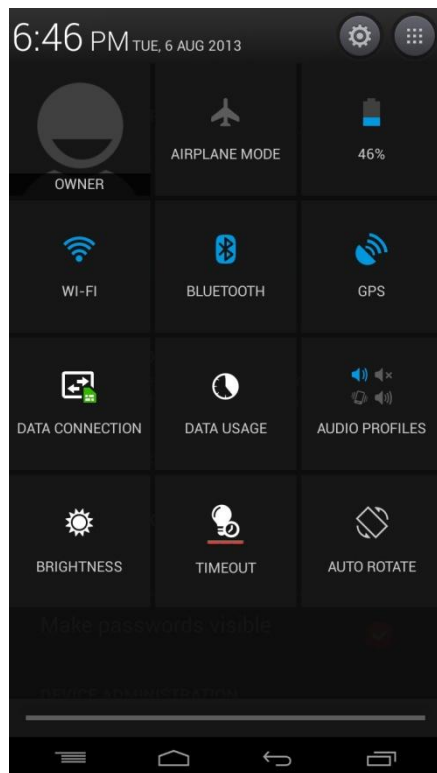
The App Launcher



You can always find all of your apps in the **app launcher**. To open the launcher,

simply tap the square icon  at the bottom of the screen in your task bar. Within the app launcher, you can tap any app's icon to run the program, or press and hold it to drag it directly onto the home screen as a shortcut.

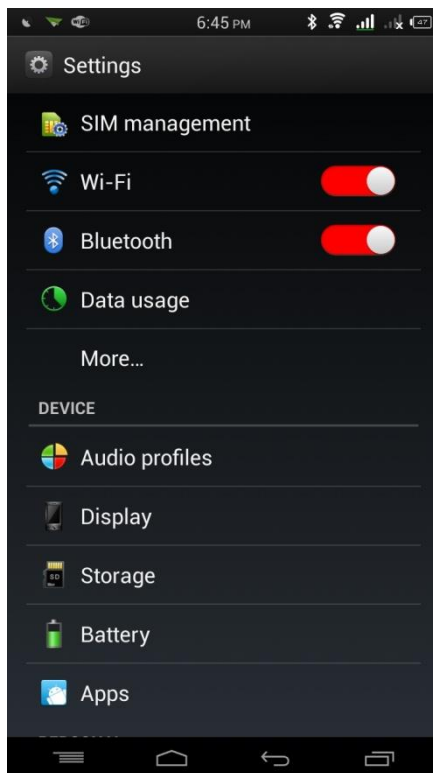
Status panel



On the top of the screen you can see time, battery icon, signal strength bar. You can also see additional information for various enabled services.

Swipe it down to access the Status panel. Press the button in the top right corner.

SIM card setup and usage



When the phone detects that there is a new SIM card inserted it will ask for the confirmation. If you have two SIM cards you will be able to use them separately.

Please note that only a SIM card in slot one will be able to use 3G connection. If you are using 2 SIM cards there will be two signal bars at the top of the screen, the first one is for the first SIM slot, the second one is for the second SIM slot. These are the regular signal strength indicators.

Xtreamer Ban-G is a Dual Standby phone. Dual standby is when both SIMs can work at the same time, but say for example you use one SIM card to make a call, the other SIM card will not work and be on standby for the duration of the call.

You can manage both SIM cards from the Settings. Just click on SIM management (the first line). Here you get the option to turn the SIM cards on and off at will and you can set the defaults for each SIM.

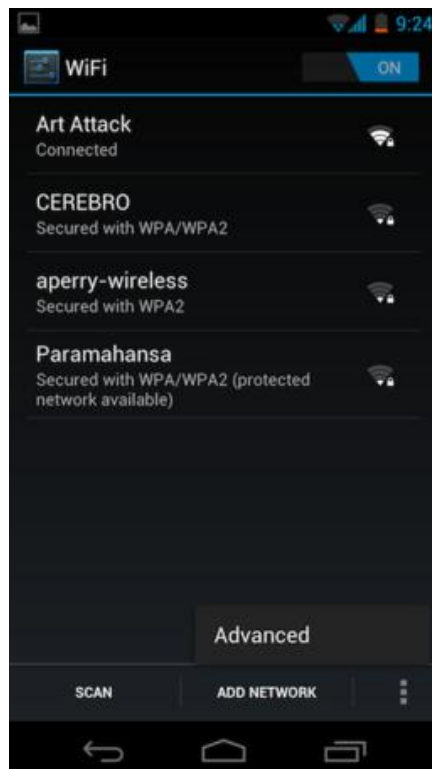
You can also assign contacts to certain SIM cards: this is useful when differentiating between work colleagues and personal contacts. When you get a call or text, or if you send a call or text, the phone will display the SIM used. You can also change these settings on the go. For example, when in the dialer or messaging service, drag down the notification bar and you get an option to switch to a different SIM card as default.

Using a dual SIM phone on Ban-G is simple. You have all the options you need at the touch of a button.

Connecting your Ban-G to a network

You can turn Wi-Fi, mobile network connection and BlueTooth from the status panel.

Connecting to WiFi



Enable Wi-Fi in the Status Panel and then go to Settings Wi-Fi. Please note that during the Setup Wizard, you will go through a step when the system will offer to you to connect to a Wi-Fi network.

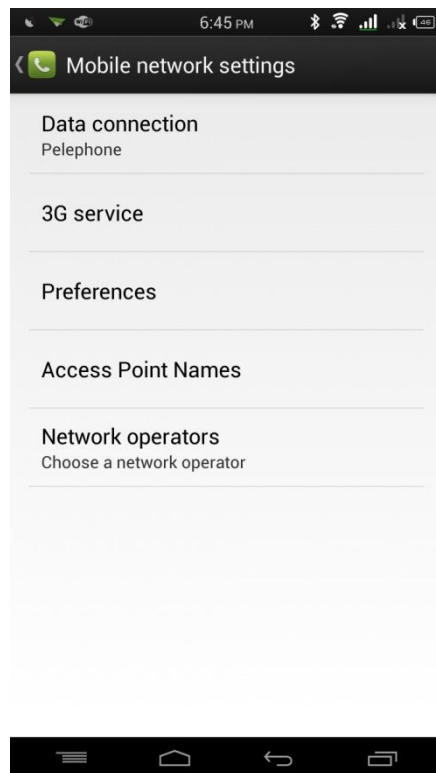
The device scans for available Wi-Fi networks and displays the names of those it finds. Secured networks are indicated with a Lock icon. If the device finds a network that you connected to previously, it connects to it.

Touch a network name to see more details or connect to it, and type a password if necessary.

To modify a network's settings, touch & hold the network name.

That's it.

Connecting to a Mobile Network



Mobile network can be enabled in the Status panel.

Depending on your carrier and service plan, your device may connect automatically to your carrier's fastest available data network. Or you may need to insert a SIM card or configure details for a specific carrier.

Mobile network settings

Note that you can't adjust mobile network settings when Airplane mode is selected. The settings available may vary depending on your device and plan.

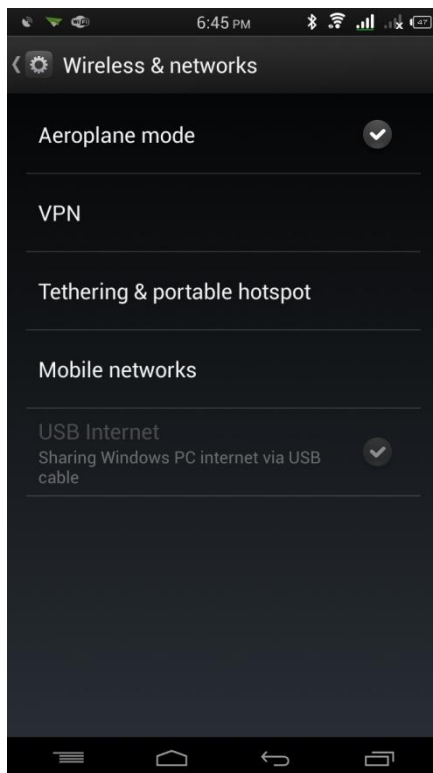
- **Data enabled.** Check to turn data access on for all available mobile networks.

Before turning this option off, which may cause your device or apps to stop functioning correctly, consider using the mobile data limit available under **Settings > Data usage**.

- **Data roaming.** Prevents your device from transmitting data over other carriers' networks when you leave an area that is covered by your own carrier's networks. This is one way to control expenses if your mobile data contract doesn't include data roaming.

When your phone detects a "known" Wi-Fi network and if both options are enabled, then the Ban-G will automatically switch to the Wi-fi connection. This is a good way to save some money especially if you have a limited data plan.

APN settings for Mobile Networks



Most SIM cards have the relevant information injected but sometimes you may need to do it yourself and set the Access Point Name in order to get access to 3G connection.

There are various APN apps on Google Play Store and, most likely, there is a special app for your country.

Or you can request from your service provider to give you the relevant settings. Again, in some cases it can be done automatically: you send an SMS to a specified number and receive the reply which sets all the required options in the settings.

If you need to enter the data yourself:

- Tap **Apps**
- Tap **Settings**
- Tap **More**
- Tap **Mobile Networks**
- Tap **Access Point names**
- Press **Menu** key
- Tap **New APN**

Then enter all the settings as required by your mobile service provider

Connect to a Bluetooth device

Enable Bluetooth in the settings.

Then, the first time you use a new Bluetooth device, you need to "pair" it with your device so that both devices know how to connect securely to each other. After that, they connect automatically.

You must pair your device with a Bluetooth device before you can connect to it. Once you pair your device with a device, they stay paired unless you unpair them.

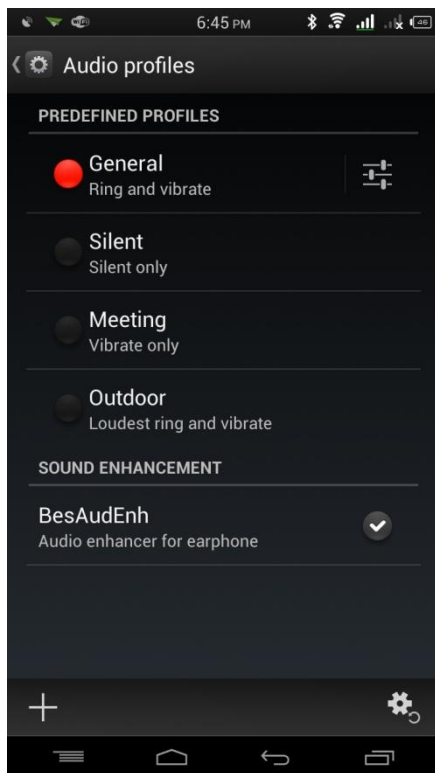
If the device you want to pair with isn't in the list, ensure that it's turned on and set to be discoverable.

1. Under **Settings > Wireless & networks**, make sure Bluetooth is turned on.
2. Touch **Bluetooth**. Your device scans for and displays the IDs of all available Bluetooth devices in range.
3. If your mobile device stops scanning before your Bluetooth device is ready, touch **Search for devices**.
4. Touch the ID of the Bluetooth device in the list to pair with it.
5. Follow the instructions to complete the pairing. If you're prompted to enter a passcode, try entering 0000 or 1234 (the most common passcodes), or consult the documentation that came with the device. If the pairing is successful, your device connects to the device.

Next time when a "known" and paired device is detected your phone will connect to it automatically.

Other settings you might want to check

Set Ringtone

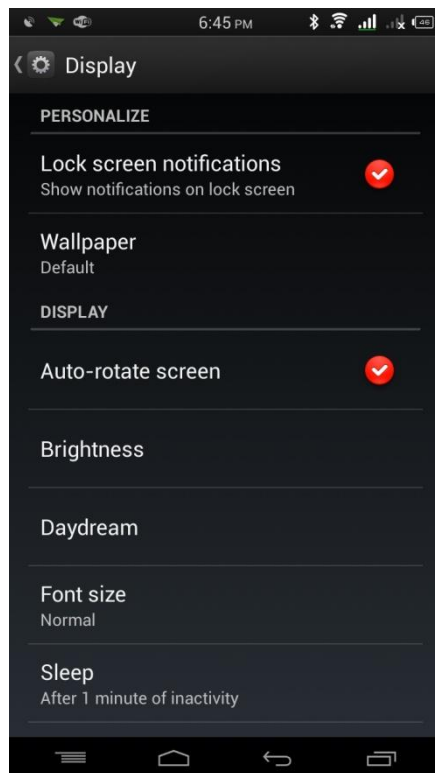


Navigate to **Settings** -> **Audio Profiles** and press on the Options icon on the right from the profile you want to edit.

Touch Voice call ringtone to access the list of all the available Ringtone files. If you want to add more ringtones, there are plenty available on the Net. Or you can use a Ringtone Editor app from Google Play Store.

Please note, that you can also change other Audio Profile settings on this screen: such as vibration and so on.

Display Settings



This is where you can, for example, to adjust Brightness of your screen to suit your personal needs better.

There is also another important feature – Auto-rotate Screen. It is very useful for many things: from reading books and e-mails to watching movies, and from gaming to web-browsing.

Please note that the rotation is not natively possible for Home Screens or App Drawer. However there are specialized free apps that can allow you to do so.

You can also change your phone's Wallpaper from the **Settings** -> **Display** tab but, of course, you can easily do that from any Home Screen.

To change the wallpaper that's displayed on your Home screens:

1. Touch & hold anywhere on a Home screen that's not occupied.

A list of options appears.

2. Touch a wallpaper source:

Gallery. Choose from pictures that you've synced with your device.

Live Wallpapers. Choose from a scrolling list of animated wallpapers.

Wallpapers. Choose from a scrolling list of default images.

You can download additional wallpapers on Google Play.

3. To set wallpaper, touch **Set wallpaper** or, for Gallery images, drag the blue dots to determine the cropping and touch **OK**.

Battery Settings

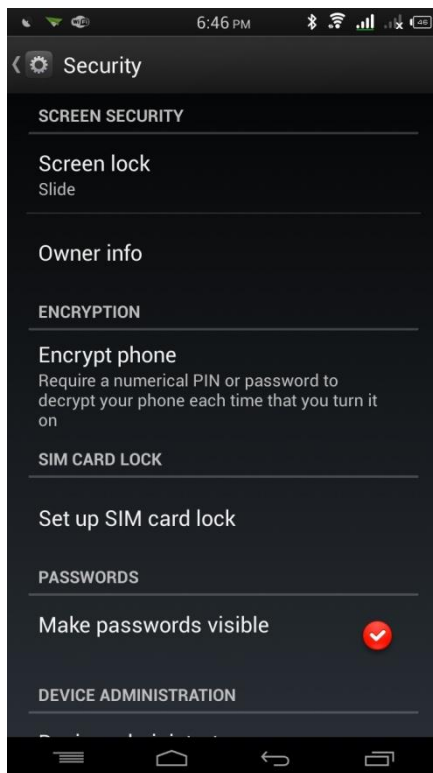
Xtremer Ban-G has a powerful battery but you can't beat the laws of physics. If you are a power-user, the battery will be drained.

In the **Settings** -> **Battery** you can see which services use your battery's power.

You can extend your battery's life between charges by turning off features that you don't need. You can also monitor how apps and system resources consume battery power.

- If you aren't using Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, or GPS, use the Settings app to turn them off.
- Don't leave the Maps or Navigation apps open on the screen when you're not using them. They use GPS (and thus more power) only when they're running.
- Turn down screen brightness and set a shorter Sleep timeout Settings -> Display
- If you know you won't be near a mobile or Wi-Fi network for a while, switch to Airplane mode

Phone Security



Your phone comes with the default phone lock Slide but you might consider enhancing your security by using additional protection provided in your Ban-G's system.

Go to **Settings** -> **Security**.

Touch Screen Lock

You can choose among these lock options, listed in approximate order of strength:

- **Slide** provides no protection, but lets you get to the Home screen or Google Now quickly.
- **Face Unlock** lets you unlock your device by looking at it. This is the least secure lock option.
- **Voice Unlock** lets you to use voice commands to unlock your device.
- **Pattern** lets you draw a simple pattern with your finger to unlock the device.
- **PIN** requires four or more numbers. Longer PINs tend to be more secure.
- **Password** requires four or more letters or numbers. This is the most secure option, as long as you create a strong password.

Another useful feature is Verify Apps. It allows you to protect your phone against a possibility of harmful applications. Just because this is Android, it doesn't mean your phone cannot be harmed.

If you attempt to install an app from any source while app verification is turned on, your device may send information identifying the app to Google.

If the app is harmful, Google may warn you not to install it, or it may block the installation completely.

These are just some basic things you might need to know in order to get more "juice" out of your new friend and partner – Xtremer Ban-G. There is, of course, more. Just like any other operating system, Android is full of surprises, functions and features. Eventually you will learn everything you need.

We maintain a [Mobile Knowledge Base](#) exactly for these purposes. You can find answers to a lot of questions there, and if there is anything else you want to know, you can contact our [Support directly](#).

We would like to end this guide with a few tips and tricks for Android Jelly Bean. They are actually pretty much not-known at all by most Android users so, hopefully, you'll get an opportunity to show off your "tech expertise"

Say "Google" to search

Google Now is Android's answer to Siri on Apple devices.

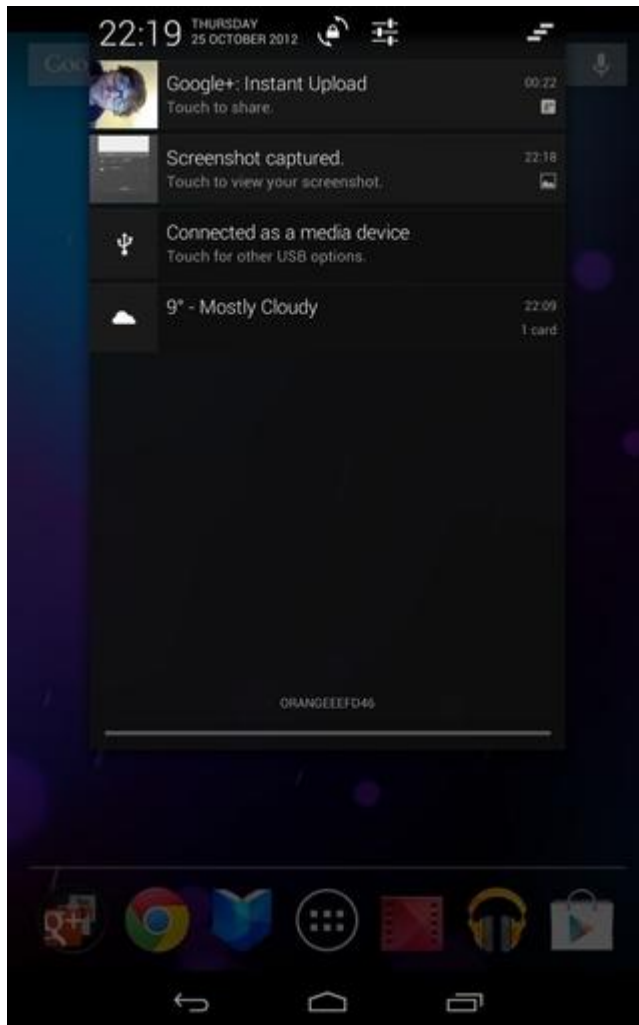
If you're in America, you can open Google Now and say "Google" followed by your query to search the net. If you're not in America, you can trick Android into thinking you are. Open the settings on your device, choose "Language and input", then switch Google Voice Typing's language from "Automatic" to "English (US)". Next go to Google Now's settings and again change the language to "English (US)". You should see "Search or say Google" in Now's search bar.

Faking an American accent: optional.

Google Now also includes Siri-like functionality, supplying spoken answers to your inane questions. Try things like, "what time is it in Kuala Lumpur?", "when's Tom Cruise's birthday I want to send him a card?", "how do I get home?" or "will it be sunny tomorrow?" and Now will speak the answer back at you or search the web for relevant pages.

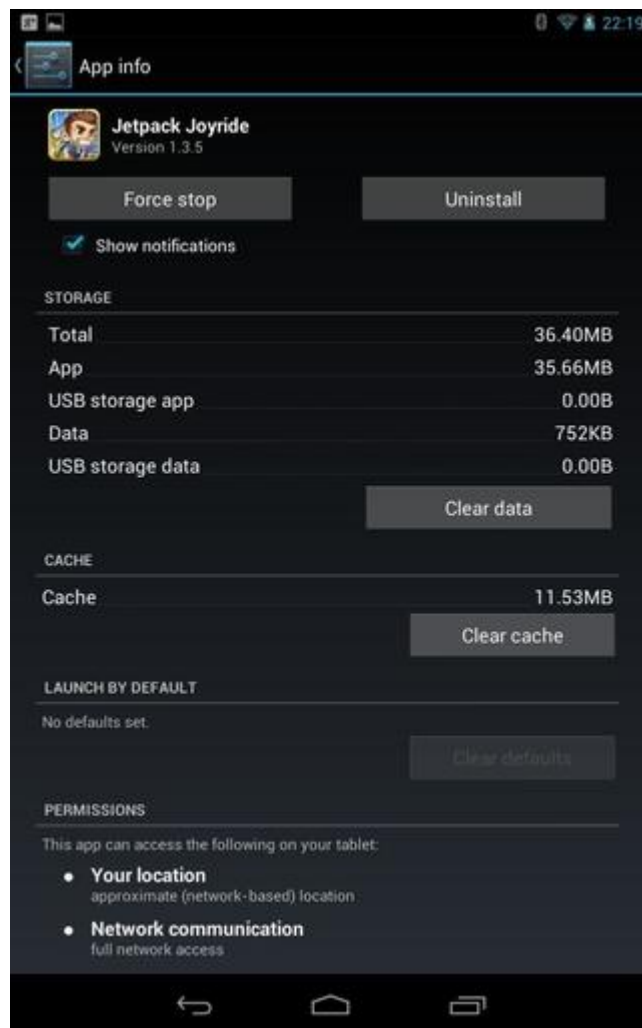
Notification Shade

We previously referred to it as the "pully-down menu thing", but apparently it's officially called the "Notification Shade". Niftily, certain notifications in the shade can be expanded by sliding two fingers outwards on them, giving you an overview of the subject headers in your email inbox, for example. Moving two fingers inwards on a notification neatly contracts them, too.



Turn notifications off

Install enough apps and the notification bar at the top of your Android device becomes the digital equivalent of an unending stream of ticker tape. In fact, Airpush is an entire advertising company that makes money in this way. Fortunately, each and every app you install in Jelly Bean has the option to turn this off. Go to its info page under Apps, uncheck the box labeled "Show notifications" and enjoy your empty notifications bar.



Equalize your music

The ability to adjust those all-important bass and treble settings has been sorely missed on Android devices - so much so that a bunch of apps have been made to enable it. It's fixed in Android's stock music player, though. Open a music file in the stock player, hit Settings then choose Equalizer. Here you'll find manual sliders, a load of presets and bass and 3D effects. Unfortunately it doesn't work for the whole device, but it will give your tunes a little more oomph.



Rearrange your home screens

Long-press on any icon or widget on your homescreen and you can move it around, and other icons and widgets will shift out of the way to fit it in. Bigger widgets can also be resized by long-pressing and releasing them, and then dragging the circles that appear on the edges. It's actually quite fun and satisfying. We just spent three hours doing nothing but this.



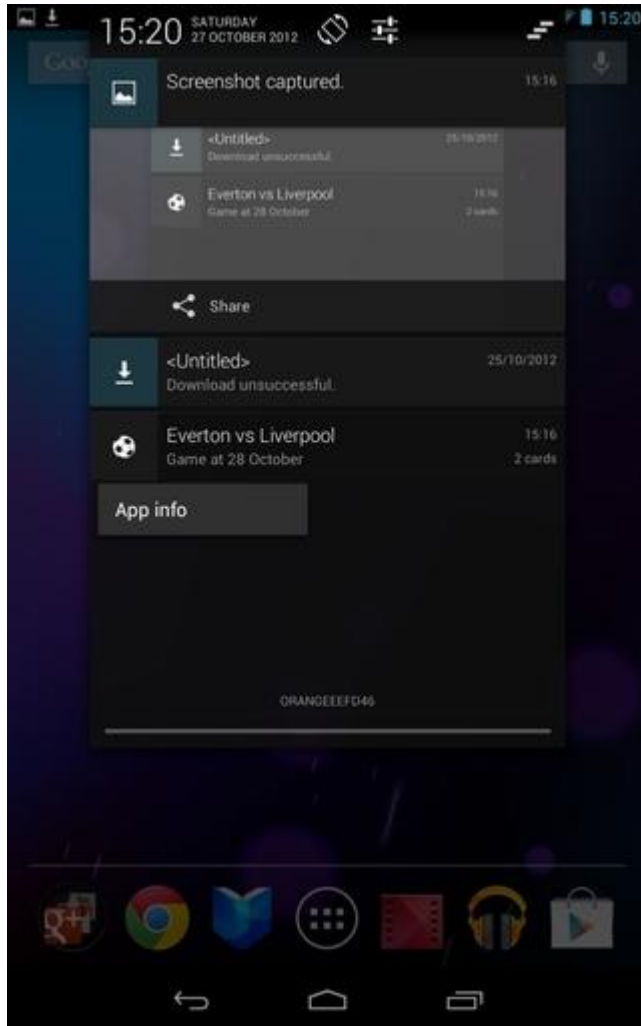
Fling to remove

Homescreen app clutter (surely the worst of all types of clutter) can be quickly and easily defeated. Long-press an icon or widget, then fling it upwards and it'll ascend into shortcut heaven. This won't uninstall the app, though - it'll still reside in your app drawer.



Access App info

The all-important App info screen - which allows you to uninstall, stop and disable apps - can be accessed in a completely new way with Jelly Bean. Pull down the notification shade, long-press on an open task and you'll be taken straight to the settings page for the relevant app. It's handy if you don't know which app displayed the notification.



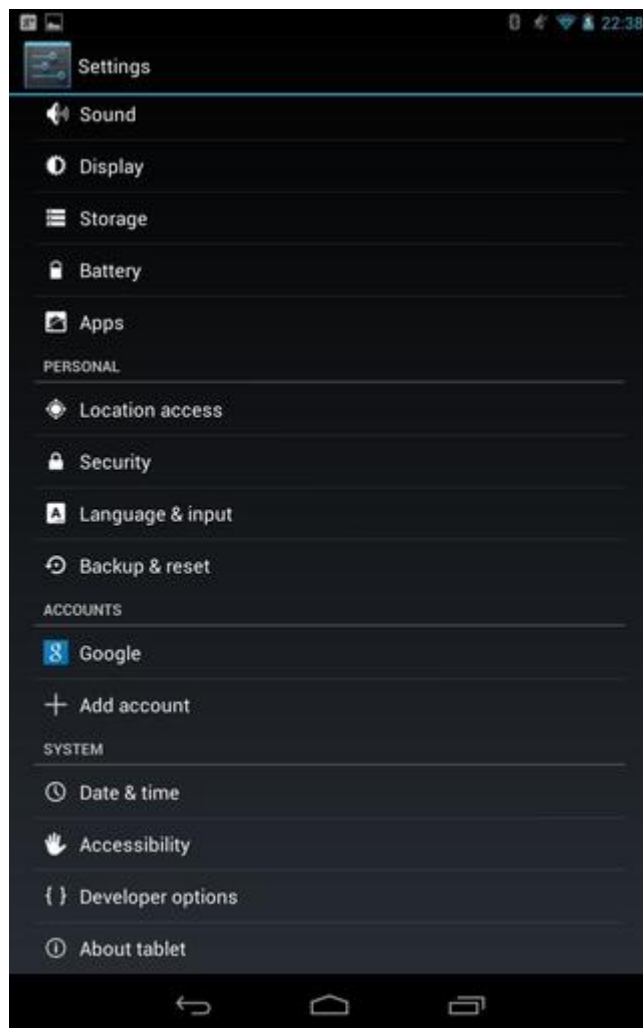
Gallery views

Android snappers will love its new gallery features. Pinch on photos to zoom out into a filmstrip mode, where all your pics are displayed side-by-side. Swipe left and right to browse all your snaps quickly, and slide up and down on individual images to delete them. The gallery then gives you just enough time to realize you've canned the wrong thing and undo your delete.



Add accounts

Android devices - especially tablets - are great for passing around and sharing. But until now switching between various Google accounts has involved wiping the whole device and starting again. Jelly Bean's handy Add account feature takes pride of place in the settings app, making it easy to add multiple Gmail addresses to your device. There's still no quick way of switching users, but it is a step in the right direction.



Long-press to uninstall

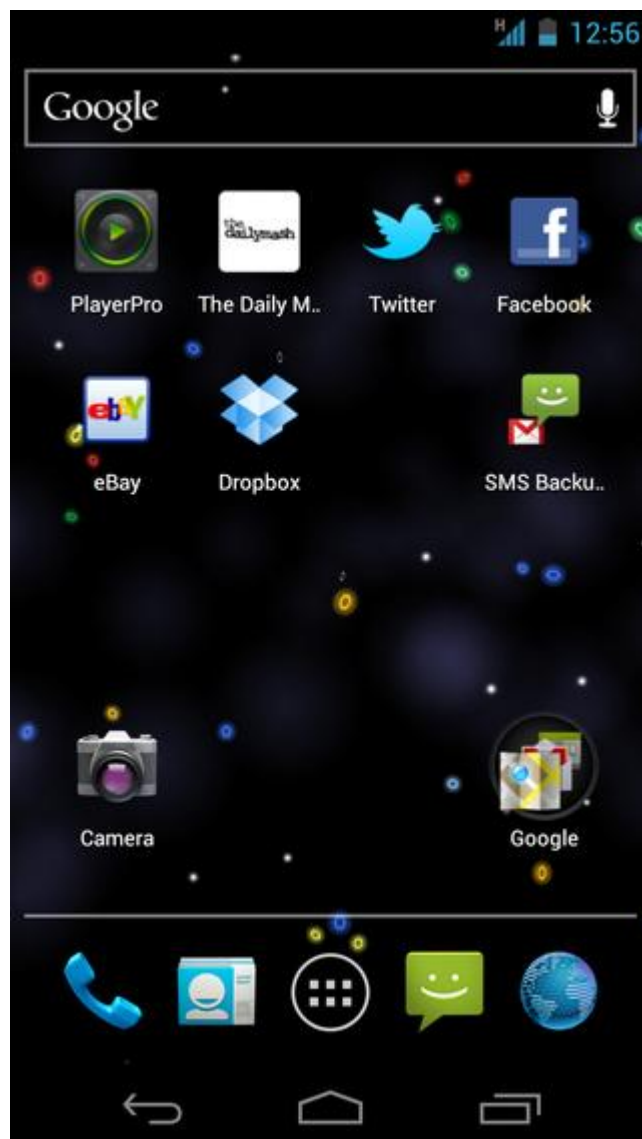
Long-pressing on an app within the app drawer lets you drag it to a Home screen, but it also pops up a couple of menus along the top of the screen. App Info gives you the boring technical stuff about how much memory it's taking up, or you can fling it off the other way to uninstall it.

Set a custom rejection text message

When your Twitter action is rudely interrupted by someone actually telephoning you, there's a polite way to give the caller the boot. Android 4.0 lets users ping a rejection text message to callers - and you're able to customize this too. Just answer a call and ping the lock screen notification up to access to custom rejection messaging area.

Stop app icons automatically appearing

One of the many new Android features is the way Google lets apps automatically add shortcuts to themselves on your Home screen when they've finished installing. It's useful, but if you're a control freak and wish to remain 100% in charge of your Home layout, head to the Google Play app's settings tab and un-tick the Auto-add Shortcuts toggle.

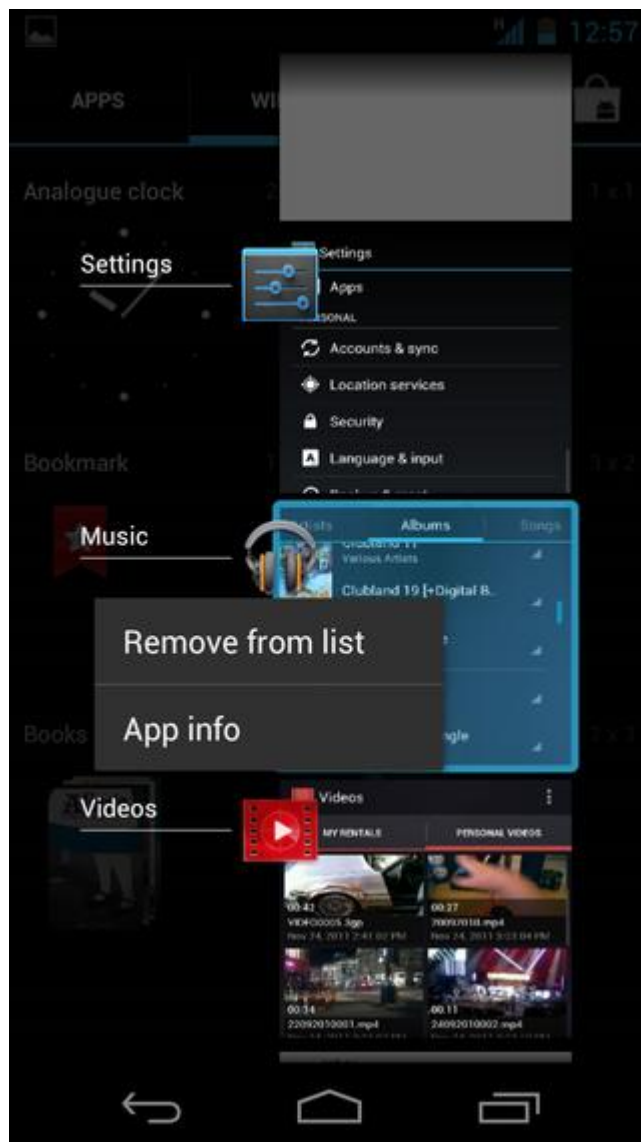


There's a Settings shortcut in the Notifications pane

That little settings icon in the notifications area isn't just art to fill the space. It's a shortcut to your phone or tablet's settings area. So use that instead of giving it a Home screen icon slot all to itself.

Manually close apps

Google's lovely new recent apps multitasking menu also lets you close apps quickly, should you suspect one's gone rogue. A Long-press within the Recent Apps listing lets you visit the app's info page, from where you can easily force close it.



Screen Capture

Very simply, Jelly Bean comes with built-in screenshot functionality, something many Android fans have been waiting for. This ensures that the user doesn't need to root the device or employ third-party apps just to take a photo of what's happening on screen. Taking a screenshot is simple, just press the volume down and power buttons together. The device will quickly take a snapshot of the screen and you will find it in your notifications. You then have options to edit, crop, delete, and share the photo. This makes sharing and even making changes to the captured screenshot much simpler than before.

That's it for now. I hope you found our guide helpful.

Best regards to you and enjoy your new Ban-G!