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**Step 1:** First, you need to install the compatible Android launcher. Some launchers default on multiple phones, such as Pixel Launcher and Samsung's launcher, which do not support custom icons. You can refer to the article [Evaluating the best Launcher for Android today](#) to choose for yourself the most suitable launcher. In this example, use the Nova Launcher launcher.

# Look & feel

Icon theme  
System

Adaptive icon style

### Icon Pack

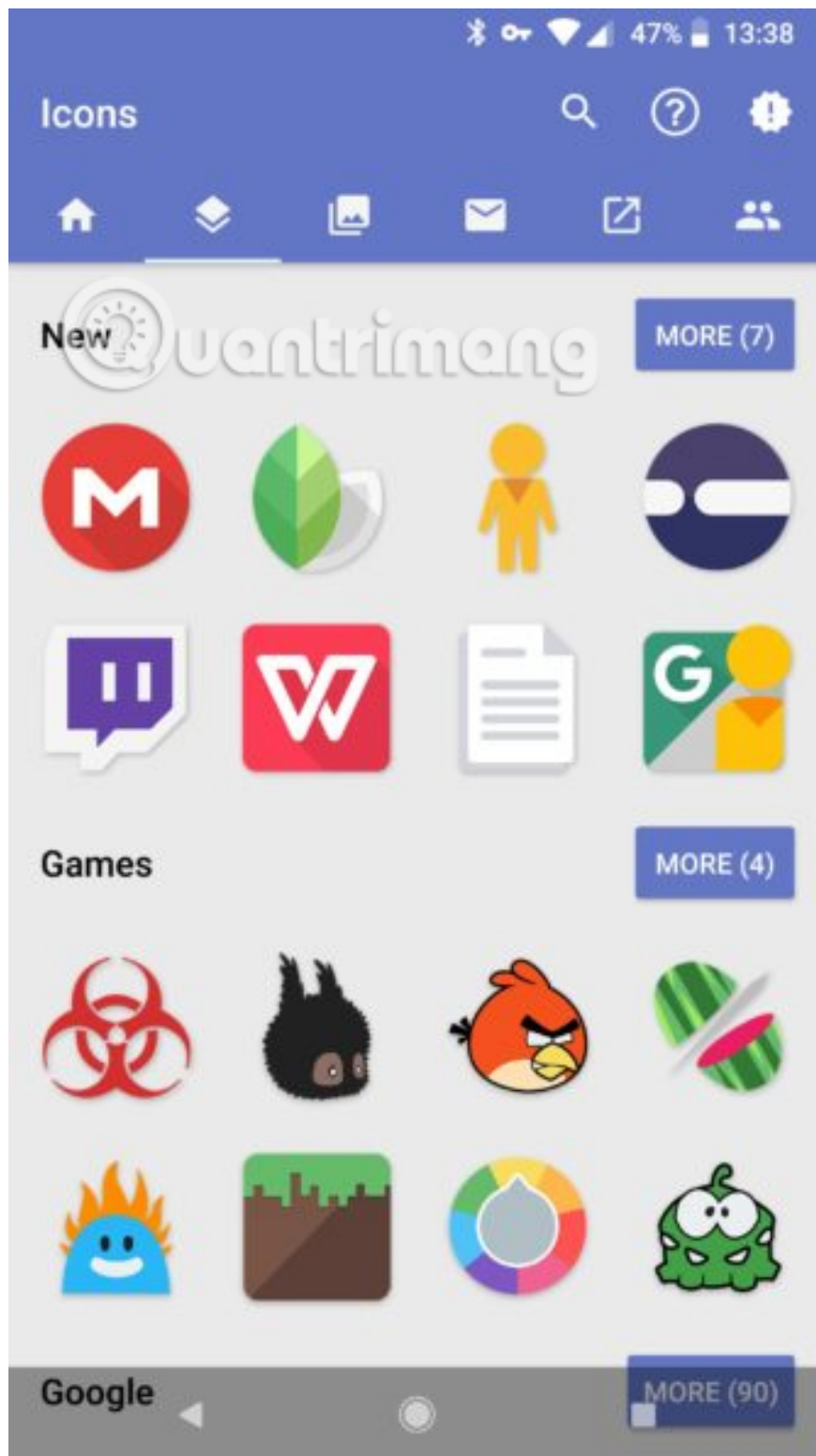
-  System
-  Marshmallow  
Android 6.0
-  Moonshine

"Nova" speeds for transition animations, for example when opening the app drawer

App animation  
When opening a new app or returning to the home screen

Popup menu style  
Visual style of menu when long-pressing an app





**Step 2:** After installing the launcher, set the launcher to be the default setting so you don't accidentally return to the old launcher. (To set it as default, just press the **Home** button on your phone and you'll see this option).

**Step 3:** Next, you will need to install one or more icon packs from Google Play. You can also import icons manually, but this is much slower. (See the article of Top 10 stunning icon packs for Android and choose for yourself some great icon packs.)

**Step 4:** To use the icon pack, go to the launcher options. In Nova Launcher, go to **Nova Settings > Look & feel > Icon theme** . (Here you will see a list of all installed icon packages. Select an icon to automatically apply the appropriate icons for all applications.)

One thing to note is that the icon pack may not have enough custom icons for all applications on your phone. If you like, you can press and hold on an icon and select **Edit** , then touch the app's icon to select the icon for it. There are many icon packs like Moonshine that have a section in the app to request a new icon.

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1. Small tips to help you rename and Android application icons
2. Instructions for changing application icons on Android with Awesome Icons application
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