

How to drop a pin on Google Maps

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Drop pins are useful if the location you're looking for doesn't have an address or is out of the road network. It is also helpful in case Google determines a wrong location. Here's how to drop a pin on Google Maps for both Android and iOS devices.

Instructions for dropping and removing pins on Google Maps

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How to drop a pin on Google Maps for Android device

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Paseo Alvaro Obregon

Zona Comercial, 23000 La Paz, B.C.S. · 🚗 30 min



Directions

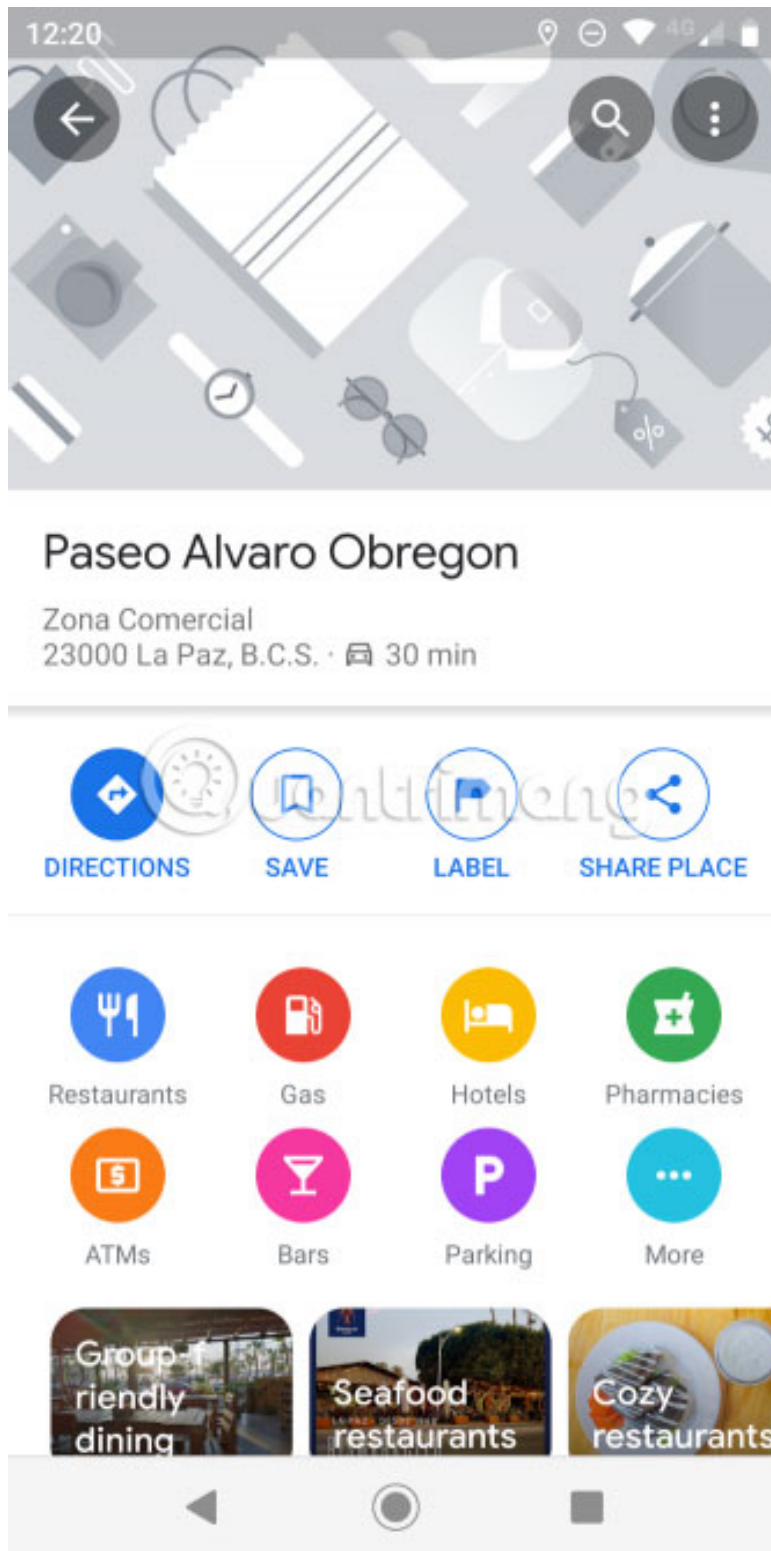


Start



Save





To drop a pin on Google Maps when using an Android device, do the following:

1. Open the Google Maps application.

2. Search for an address or scroll around the map until you find the position you want.
3. Press and hold on the screen to release the pin.
4. The address or location will appear at the bottom of the screen.
5. Touch the location to share, save, add a label to it or get directions.

How to drop a pin on Google Maps for iPhone device

No SIM

12:21

75%

Dropped pin

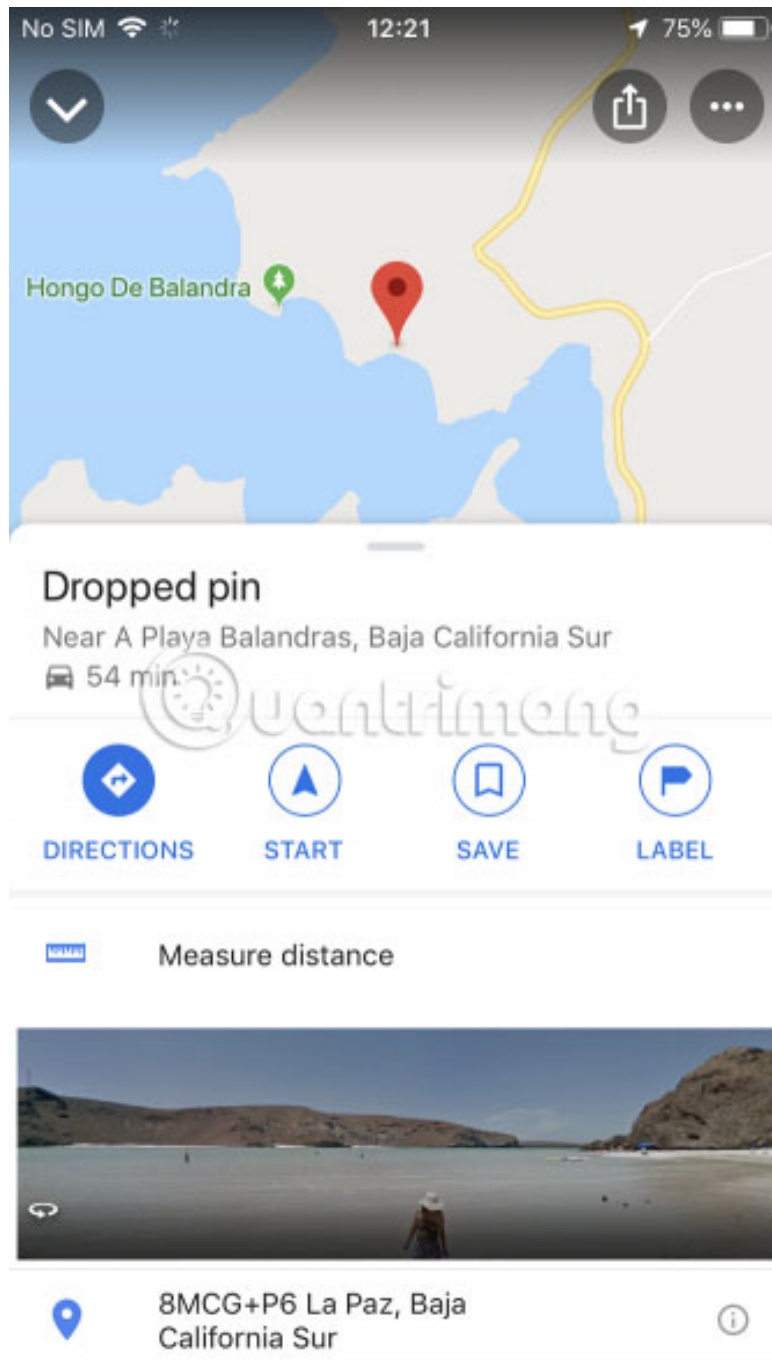


Dropped pin

Near A Playa Balandras, Baja California Sur

54 min

- Directions
- Start
- Label

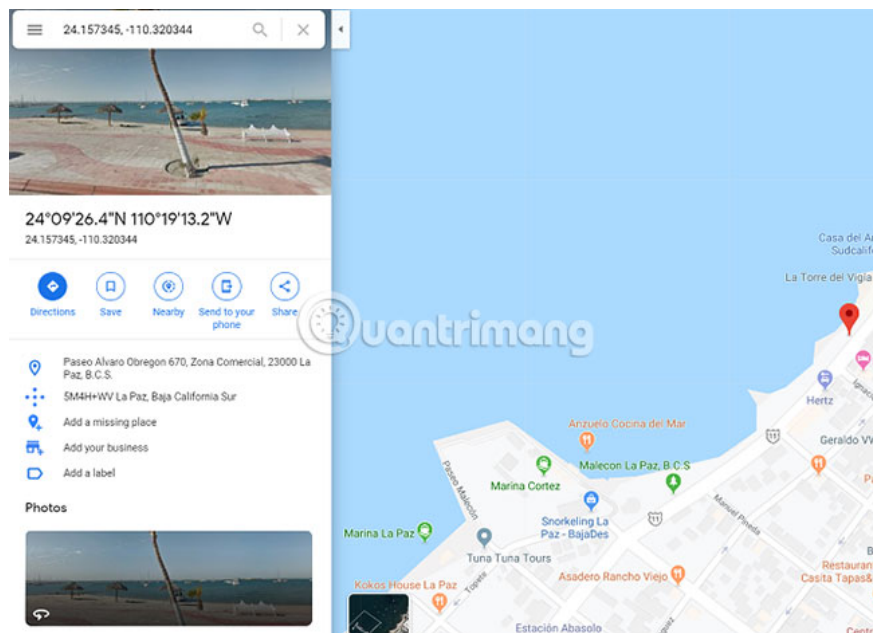


The process of how to drop a pin in Google Maps on iOS is the same as the process for Android.

1. Open the Google Maps application.
2. Search for an address or scroll around the map until you find the ideal pin location.
3. To drop the pin, press and hold on the screen at the desired location.
4. The address or coordinates will appear at the bottom of the screen.

5. Click on the location to see more details, get directions, add labels, etc.

How to drop a pin in Google Maps on the desktop



Many people don't realize that Google also allows pinning on Google Maps from any desktop operating system. The process is very simple:

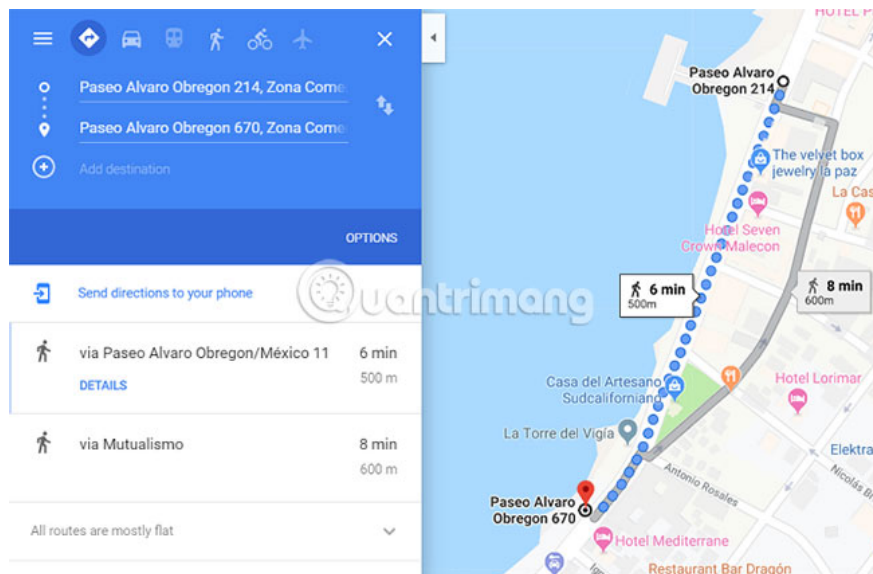
1. Go to the Google Maps homepage.
2. Find the location where you want to drop the pin, then left click on the exact location.
3. A small gray pin icon will appear on the map and you will see an information box appear at the bottom of the screen.
4. If you click on the information box, a new panel will appear on the left side of the screen, which contains more information and gives you some additional options.

How to make the most of the released pins

Now, consider some of the things you can do when you drop a pin and are satisfied with the pinned position.

The exact options vary slightly depending on whether you use the mobile or desktop operating system. The article will take a look at each feature in turn.

Use the drop pin to get directions



Available on: Mobile and desktop.

As the article said at the beginning, the most useful feature of Google Maps is the ability to provide directions. If you are unsure of the location of a particular location, the pins are released as an essential part of the process.

You can choose to use a drop pin as a starting point or an end point. Sadly, there is no way to put two released pins and find your way between them. Instead, you'll need to place a pin, note the address or coordinates, then release the second pin to use as a starting point or destination point.

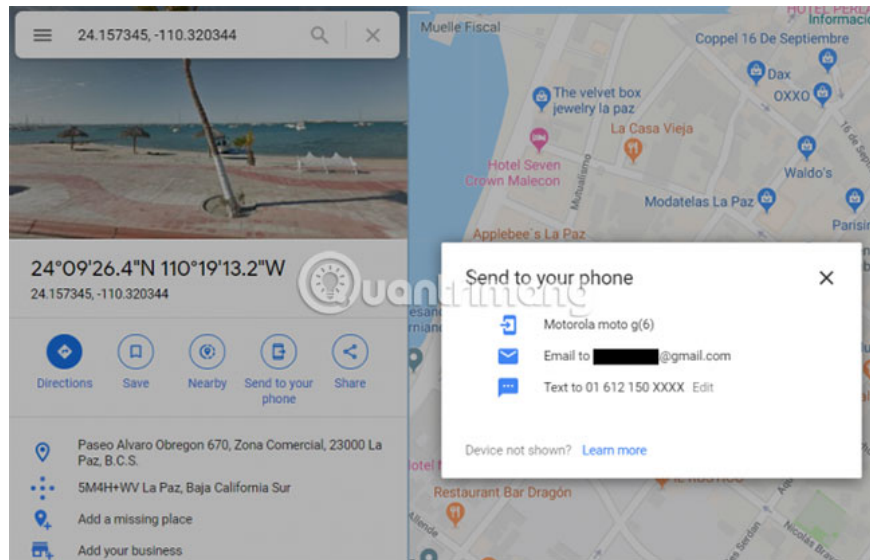
Save pin position

Available on: Mobile and desktop.

You can save a pin location to a list connected to your Google account. You can then access it on all your devices.

By default, three pre-made lists are available: **Favorites**, **Want to go** and **Starred places**. You can add multiple listings (and remove the default option) by visiting **Your Places** in the main menu of the application. Each listing can be public or private. You can share with other specific users or create group lists that anyone can add pins to. They are very useful for vacations and day trips.

Send pins from desktop to phone



Available on: Desktop.

If you drop a pin on Google Maps through the desktop app version, you can share it with your mobile app, email it to the Gmail address connected to your account, or share it via phone number that You have already linked to a Google account.

Just click **Send to your phone** to get started.

Share a pinned location

Available on: Mobile and desktop.

The Google Maps desktop application provides 4 ways to share a pin that is dropped with other users (excluding the list feature as discussed above).

On the desktop, you can:

1. Copy and paste the automatically generated short link to share it with others.
2. Click on the Facebook icon to share the location directly with the network.
3. Post the link in Twitter by selecting the Twitter icon.
4. Get the HTML code to embed the map in the web page.

If sharing a pin location is released from an Android or iOS device, you must use the original **Share** menu of the operating system. Embedded options will not be available.

Add a label to the drop pin

Available on: Mobile and desktop.

You can label the dropped pins with a custom word or phrase. Labels will sync across your entire Google account and they will appear on all versions of Google Maps.

However, this feature has a trade-off. According to Google's notice:

'Personal places will be used on Google products, to make personalized recommendations and ads more useful.'

Only you can decide whether you feel comfortable with this situation from a private standpoint.

How to remove the dropped pins?

Now, you know how to drop a pin. But what about deleting a drop pin? How do you remove a drop pin from the map?

To delete a pin location on Android and iOS, touch the **X** icon in the text box at the top of the page. If you want to delete a pin that has been dropped on the desktop, click anywhere else on the map or press the **X** icon on the information box at the bottom of the screen.

Pinning on Google Maps is only a small part of what this app can do. If you want to learn more about how to get the most out of the app, check out the article: [Google Maps and 8 useful tips you should know](#).

Hope you are succesful.

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