

Security Applications for Smartphones

Did you know that there are several applications you can download should your Smartphone go missing?



We will list several ways to do this:

The iOS devices have a built in "find-my-device" app available from Apple for free. It can be downloaded from iTunes or here:

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/find-my-iphone/id376101648?mt=8>

GadgetTrak can be controlled through a web browser. You can send a push notification to the device enticing the thief to initiate a tracking report and it can snap photos remotely. It's \$ 3.99 from the App store. Also, it's important to note that GadgetTrak is cross-platform. It can be used for Macs, iOS devices, Android phones, Blackberries and Windows laptops. Cost: \$3.99 for iOS devices, \$19.99/year for Android/laptop devices. Further information can be found here:

http://gadgettrak.com/downloads/GadgetTrak-iOS-Manual-v2_5.pdf

Prey is cross-platform as well. It lies dormant on your device and can be instantly activated by sending a text message to the device (Android). Once activated, it will turn on features of your phone to be able to locate it. It will use both GPS and WiFi hotspots to get the best triangulation for the location of the device. It takes photos with both front and rear camera and can also grab a screenshot of the active screen on the device. More info on Prey can be found here:

preyproject.com

As an added bonus, here is a great security app for Mac computers.

Undercover is a security app for Mac computers and it does much the same thing as the above apps. Features: Key logging ability to see what the thief is typing. Facebook login info can be captured as well as emails and anything else that is physically typed on the keyboard. More info can be found here:

<http://www.orbicule.com/undercover/mac/>