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## THE APP RAP

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White and Yellow Pages

Developer: Avantar, LLC

For: iPhones and Androids

Cost: FREE

Have you ever needed a phone number or address quickly and couldn't find it fast enough? I have found the download to this dilemma. The White and Yellow Pages app is like a phone book in your pocket, minus the hassle and the weight! In fact, this app is better than a phone book, because when you head out of Lamorinda, it connects to your GPS.

Simple, easy to navigate, and loaded with a variety of search features, this is another one of those "must have" apps for all Android and iPhone users. When the app opens you can chose to search for a business, person, or phone number. A terrific added feature is the microphone that the developer thought to provide for use during the search. You may speak or type in the name of the person, number, or place you wish to locate. Tap the search button and receive your requested information immediately.

Another feature on this app is the search via the "popular" mode. This is broken down into various categories including food, banks, lodging, gas, etc. If you are looking for a bank you will find 15 in Lamorinda. Simply tapping the haircut icon displayed over 45 hair salons in this area. Who knew there were so many local options to get your hair cut?

This app also lists searches by proximity. Not only can you find an address, you can immediately determine how long it will take you to get there. If you are not familiar with the location, no problem, because White and Yellow Pages provides a direct link to the directions page on Google maps. Calling is a snap because an icon pops up with the phone number. If those features are not enough, there is even a share feature via email, Facebook, or Twitter. When you want a fast, reliable way to get numbers and addresses, forget about lugging around that old fashion phone book. Look no further than your smart phone to the White and Yellow Pages app.

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