

# TRAVEL SNAP CARDS USING MAPS



We are so used to our smartphones guiding us that we rarely think about getting lost anymore. However, as a travel photographer you will likely face situations where your smartphone may not work at all, or get very expensive through the use of data. You should also consider an investment in a handheld GPS, and if you travel to remote areas, learn how to read a map and use a compass.

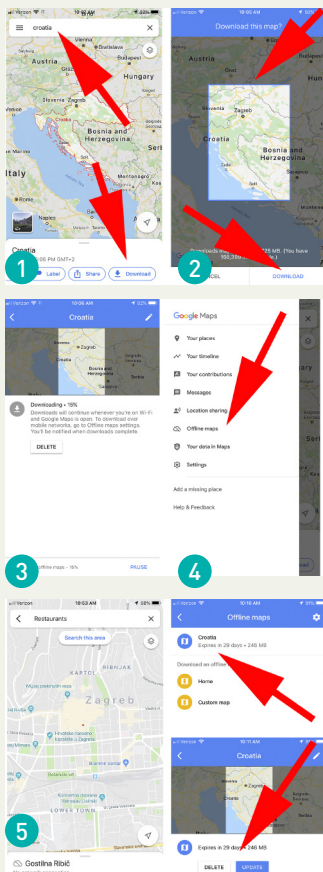
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There are many smartphone - mapping programs. You can research them. Probably your best bet for worldwide coverage is Google Maps.

## PRO TIP!

**Set up Google Maps for a foreign destination before you leave.** This way the map will be accessible offline.



This demonstration uses IOS for iPhone. It works similarly for Android. Downloadable maps have limited search information, but provide full navigation. Offline mapping is not available for some areas of the world. Download all the maps that you need for travel before leaving.

1. Open Google Maps and search your destination. Click the "download" button.
2. Set the map to the area that you wish to download. You can zoom the map in and out. The consideration here is how much storage space is used.
3. The map downloads using a Wi-Fi network.
4. You can see your downloaded maps in the "offline maps" window.
5. Google maps senses when global navigation isn't working and will automatically switch to your offline map. Navigate as you would at home.

**REMEMBER:** Maps expire after 29 days. You can update while traveling by using a Wi-Fi network. Delete maps after your travel to clear storage space on your device.



## PRO TIP!

Anything that is electronic can potentially fail. It's wise to carry paper maps and a compass, especially if you're traveling to remote areas. Buy your maps in your home country with your own language. Practice with a map and your compass before relying on it with your life.