

03. GOOGLE MAPS Overlays.

3.1. Google Maps Markers

This example shows an added marker to the Google Map:

Example:



3.2. Google Maps Overlays

Overlays are objects on the map that are bound to latitude/longitude coordinates.

Google Maps has several types of overlays:

- Marker Single locations on a map. Markers can also display custom icon images
- Polyline Series of straight lines on a map
- Polygon Series of straight lines on a map, and the shape is "closed"
- Circle and Rectangle
- Info Windows Displays content within a popup balloon on top of a map
- Custom overlays

3.3. Google Maps – Add a Marker

The Marker constructor creates a marker. (Note that the position property must be set for the marker to display).



Add the marker to the map by using the **setMap()** method:

Example:

```
var marker = new google.maps.Marker({position: myCenter});
marker.setMap(map);
```

3.4. Google Maps - Animate the Marker

The example below shows how to animate the marker with the **animation** property:

Example:

```
var marker = new google.maps.Marker({
  position:myCenter,
  animation:google.maps.Animation.BOUNCE
  });
marker.setMap(map);
```

3.5. Google Maps – Icon Instead of Marker

The example below specifies an image (icon) to use instead of the default marker:

Example:

```
var marker=new google.maps.Marker({
   position:myCenter,
   icon:'pinkball.png'
   });
marker.setMap(map);
```

3.6. Google Maps – Polyline

A **Polyline** is a line that is drawn through a series of coordinates in an ordered sequence.



A polyline supports the following properties:

- path specifies several latitude/longitude coordinates for the line
- **strokeColor** specifies a hexadecimal color for the line (format: "#FFFFFF")
- **strokeOpacity** specifies the opacity of the line (a value between 0.0 and 1.0)
- **strokeWeight** specifies the weight of the line's stroke in pixels
- **editable** defines whether the line is editable by users (true/false)

Example:

```
var myTrip = [stavanger,amsterdam,london];
var flightPath = new google.maps.Polyline({
   path:myTrip,
   strokeColor:"#0000FF",
   strokeOpacity:0.8,
   strokeWeight:2
});
```

3.7. Google Maps - Polygon

A **Polygon** is similar to a Polyline in that it consists of a series of coordinates in an ordered sequence. However, polygons are designed to define regions within a closed loop.

Polygons are made of straight lines, and the shape is "closed" (all the lines connect up). A polygon supports the following properties:

- path specifies several LatLng coordinates for the line (first and last coordinate are equal)
- **strokeColor** specifies a hexadecimal color for the line (format: "#FFFFFF")
- **strokeOpacity** specifies the opacity of the line (a value between 0.0 and 1.0)
- **strokeWeight** specifies the weight of the line's stroke in pixels
- **fillColor** specifies a hexadecimal color for the area within the enclosed region (format: "#FFFFFF")
- **fillOpacity** specifies the opacity of the fill color (a value between 0.0 and 1.0)
- **editable** defines whether the line is editable by users (true/false)

Example:

```
var myTrip = [stavanger,amsterdam,london,stavanger];
var flightPath = new google.maps.Polygon({
   path:myTrip,
   strokeColor:"#0000FF",
   strokeOpacity:0.8,
   strokeWeight:2,
   fillColor:"#0000FF",
```



```
fillOpacity:0.4
});
```

3.8. Google Maps – Circle

A **circle** supports the following properties:

- center specifies the google.maps.LatLng of the center of the circle
- radius specifies the radius of the circle, in meters
- **strokeColor** specifies a hexadecimal color for the line around the circle (format: "#FFFFFF")
- **strokeOpacity** specifies the opacity of the stroke color (a value between 0.0 and 1.0)
- **strokeWeight** specifies the weight of the line's stroke in pixels
- **fillColor** specifies a hexadecimal color for the area within the circle (format: "#FFFFFF")
- **fillOpacity** specifies the opacity of the fill color (a value between 0.0 and 1.0)
- editable defines whether the circle is editable by users (true/false)

Example:

```
var myCity = new google.maps.Circle({
   center:amsterdam,
   radius:20000,
   strokeColor:"#0000FF",
   strokeOpacity:0.8,
   strokeWeight:2,
   fillColor:"#0000FF",
   fillOpacity:0.4
});
```

3.9. Google Maps - InfoWindow

Show an InfoWindow with some text content for a marker:

Example:

```
var infowindow = new google.maps.InfoWindow({
   content:"Hello World!"
   });
infowindow.open(map, marker);
```