



# Backtrack

## Privacy Policy

Effective August 1, 2021

This privacy policy applies to the iOS Application “Backtrack Travel Logging”, developed by Adam Lechowicz and distributed in the Apple App Store. Source code for this application is available at <https://github.com/adamlechowicz/Backtrack>.

**Put simply, Backtrack does not share any information with any third party or Adam Lechowicz.**

All user location data is completely private, and is either stored on the user’s personal device storage, or in the user’s private iCloud Drive, using exclusively Apple APIs.

This sensitive data is always only able to be accessed by individuals who have access to the user’s personal device, and/or individuals who have access to the user’s iCloud account, respectively.

### **WHAT INFORMATION DOES THE APP USE?**

**While the application is open or running in the background, and the “Backtracking” functionality of the application is enabled**, the application has the capability to receive and store the approximate location of the device it is running on. This functionality requires user intervention and consent to be activated.

Once stored, the user is able to view the location data logged using this functionality by viewing them directly through the app, or accessing the log file “backtrack.csv” on their device’s local storage and/or their private iCloud Drive.

## **WILL THIS INFORMATION BE SHARED WITH ANYONE?**

**No.** All of the precise location data processed by the application is privately handled, and is never shared with or sold to any third party or Adam Lechowicz. If iCloud Drive functionality is enabled, precise location data is uploaded directly to the user's private iCloud Drive, and therefore subject to Apple's [iCloud User Agreement](#). **Again, this sensitive data is only accessible through access to the user's personal device, and/or access to the user's iCloud account, respectively.**

## **IS MY INFORMATION STORED OR LOGGED AFTER I USE THE APP?**

**Yes.** While the application is open or running in the background, and the "Backtracking" functionality of the application is enabled, the application is designed to store the approximate location of the device it is running on. This functionality requires user intervention and consent to be activated.

These logs are stored in a CSV file at one of two possible locations - either the physical storage of the user's device, or the user's private iCloud Drive, based on configuration. Data is not accessible by any third party or Adam Lechowicz.

## **HOW IS MY INFORMATION KEPT SAFE?**

The application processes personal information in a highly private and transparent manner. The location data that the application is capable of collecting with user consent while it is open or running in the background is directly routed to one of two locations: local physical storage on the user's device, or the user's private iCloud Drive. This data is never shared with any third party or Adam Lechowicz.

In compliance with the GPLv3 License which Backtrack is released under, the source code and thus the precise methodology employed to protect sensitive data are available at

<https://github.com/adamlechowicz/Backtrack>.

## **DOES THE APPLICATION COLLECT INFORMATION FROM MINORS?**

**No.** The application does not collect any information from users, including minors. All of the location data that this application has the capability to process always remains in the user's control, and no third party or Adam Lechowicz ever has access to the private information of users, location data or otherwise.

## **I LIVE IN THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA. WHAT ARE MY PRIVACY RIGHTS?**

If you reside in the European Economic Area and you believe the application unlawfully processes your personal information, you have the right to complain to your local data protection supervisory authority. You can find their contact details here:

[http://ec.europa.eu/justice/data-protection/bodies/authorities/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/justice/data-protection/bodies/authorities/index_en.htm).

## **I LIVE IN CALIFORNIA. WHAT ARE MY PRIVACY RIGHTS?**

**Note:** This section is legally required. The application does not share user personal data with any entity, including the developer.

California Civil Code Section 1798.83, also known as the "Shine The Light" law, permits users who are California residents to request and obtain from us, once a year and free of charge, information about categories of personal

information (if any) we disclosed to third parties for direct marketing purposes and the names and addresses of all third parties with which we shared personal information in the immediately preceding calendar year. If you are a California resident and would like to make such a request, please submit your request in writing to us using the contact information provided below.

## **UPDATES TO THIS POLICY**

If this policy is ever updated, the updated version will be indicated by an updated “Revised” date and the updated version will be effective as soon as it is accessible. If there are material changes to this privacy notice, we may notify users by prominently posting a notice of such changes. We encourage you to review this privacy notice frequently to be informed of how we are protecting your information.

## **CONTACT ME ABOUT THIS POLICY**

If you have questions or comments about this policy, you may email us at [alechowicz@acm.org](mailto:alechowicz@acm.org) or by post to:

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