



Google Maps

Google Maps is an app that provides driving directions to users. Not only it provides driving directions, it also lists how long it will take to get to one's destination. Nearby restaurants are listed along the way. In this tutorial, the user will learn how to get driving directions to a particular restaurant. The user will also learn how to get directions to a restaurant that is along the way. The app is intended for general users. There is no prior knowledge needed to learn this tutorial.

Tutorial Overview

Part 1: Getting Driving Directions to a Particular Restaurant

Part 2: Getting Driving Directions to a Restaurant that is Along the Way

Part 1: Getting Driving Directions to a Particular Restaurant

In this part of the tutorial, the user will learn how to get directions to a particular restaurant. The reason is because so the user doesn't waste one's time going around aimlessly only to find out that it got them nowhere or it got them to the restaurant at later time.



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Step 1: Download the app. Open the app. Make sure you enable the “Location Services.” This allows you to mark your current location on the map.

Step 2: Tap the top bar in **Fig. 1**.

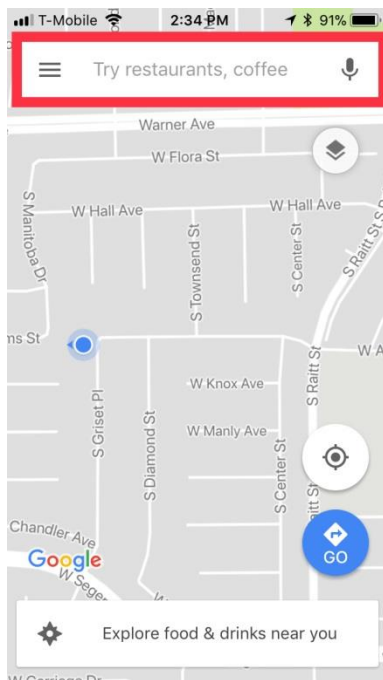


Fig. 1 Top bar image

Step 3: Type the name of the restaurant or the address of the restaurant in that top bar. (**Fig. 1.1**)

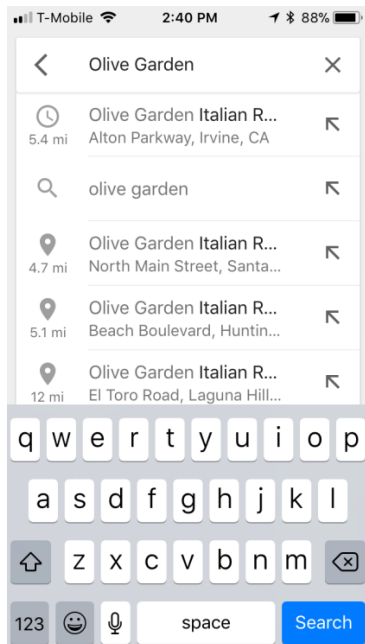


Fig. 1.1 Name of the Restaurant

Step 4: Tap the section that fits the location. In this case, we will use the Irvine location as an example. (**Fig. 2**)

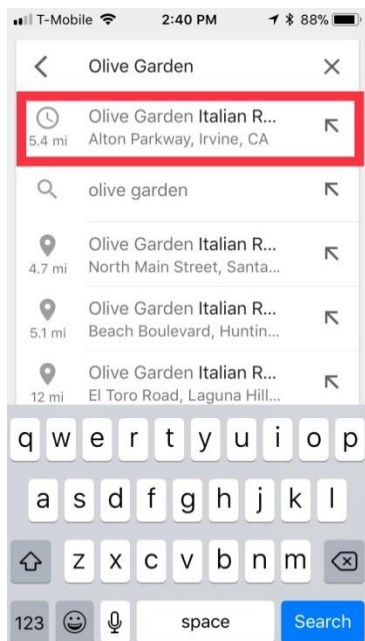


Fig. 2 Detailed location image

Step 5: Tap the “Directions” button. (**Fig. 3**)

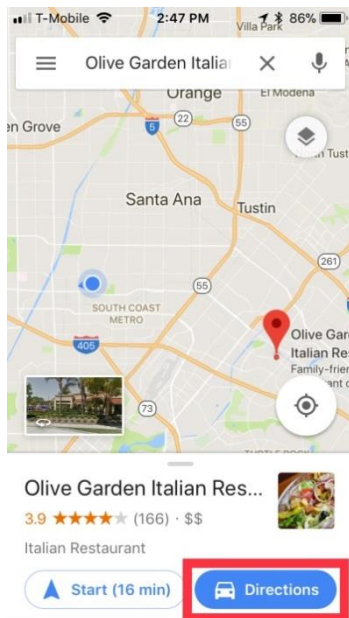


Fig. 3 Directions button image

Step 6: Tap the “Steps” button to get the steps in the driving directions. (**Fig. 4**)

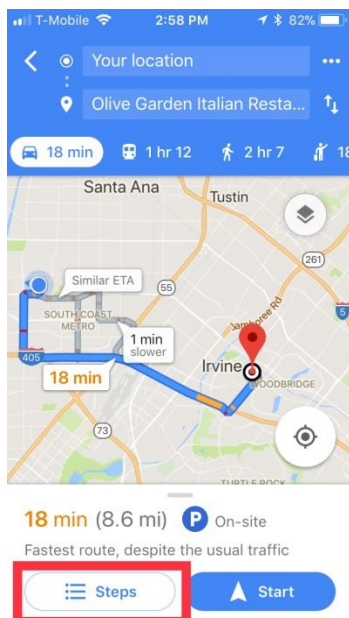


Fig. 4 Steps button image

Step 7: Scroll down to see the rest of the directions. Scroll back up to see the “Map” and “Start” buttons. (**Fig. 5**)

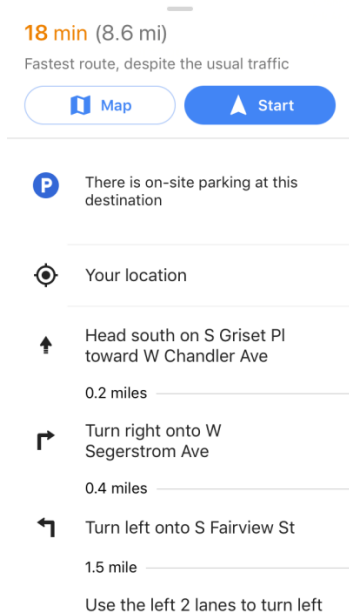


Fig. 5 Map and Start buttons screen

Step 8: Tap the “Map” button to get back to the map screen. (**Fig. 6**)

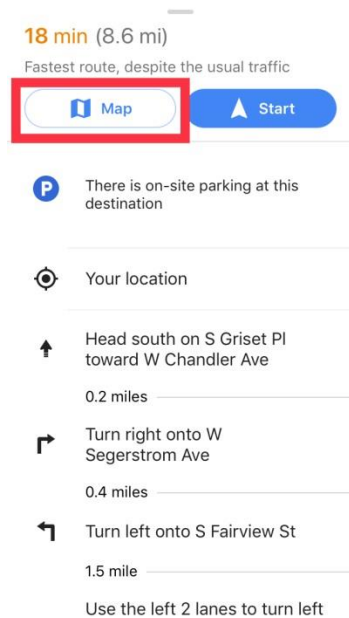


Fig. 6 Map button selection

Step 9: Tap the “Start” button to start the directions. (**Fig. 7**)

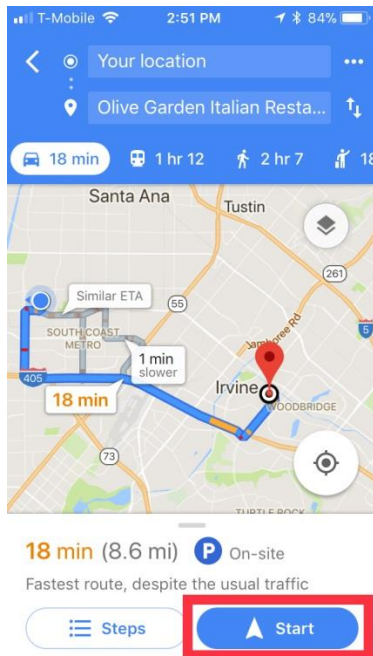


Fig. 7 Start button selection

Step 10: Follow the directions on top of the screen in the green area. (**Fig. 8**)

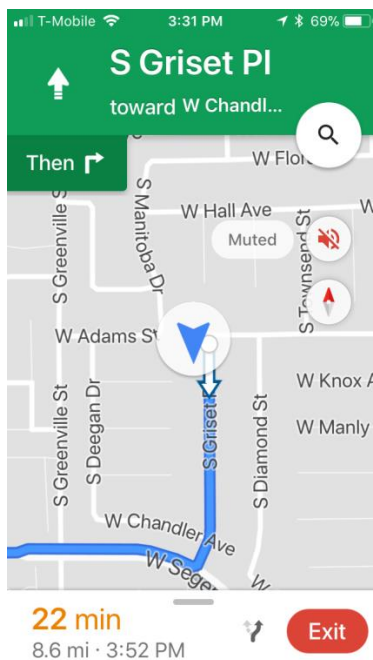


Fig. 8 Directions listed in green area

Step 11: To see the direction steps along the way, press and hold the grey handle symbol and drag it up. (**Fig. 9**)

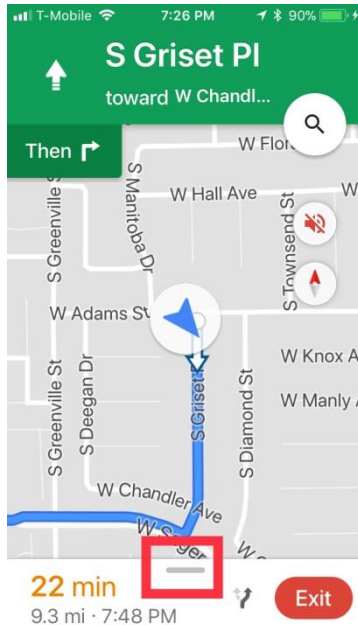


Fig. 9 The grey handle symbol selection

Step 12: Tap the “Directions” section. (**Fig. 10**)

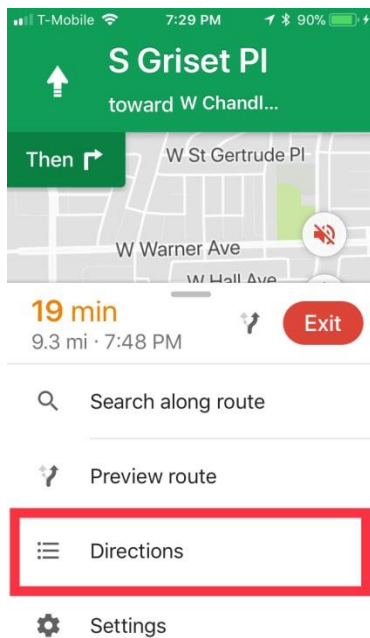


Fig. 10 Directions selection screen

Step 13: Scroll down to see full directions. Scroll up to get to the top of the screen. To exit the directions, tap the left arrow button. (**Fig. 11**)

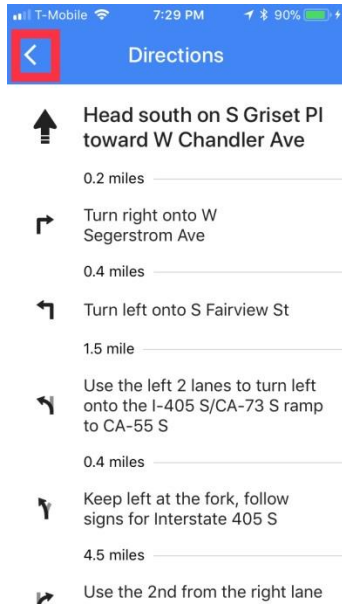


Fig. 11 Leaving Directions screen selection

Step 14: To exit the directions, tap “Exit” button. (**Fig. 12**)

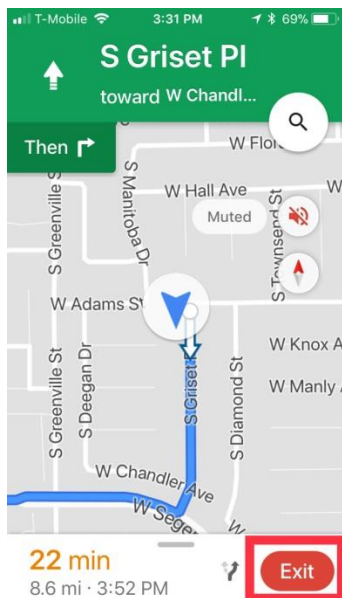


Fig. 12 Exit button

Part 2: Getting Driving Directions to a Restaurant that is Along the Way

In this part of the tutorial, the user will learn how to get directions to a restaurant that is along the way. This will be helpful for the user in getting directions to the restaurant without losing the directions to somewhere else.



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Recommendation: It is recommended that the user is familiar with Part 1 first before learning Part 2.

Suppose we are going to Barnes and Nobles in Irvine, Ca. We noticed there is an Olive Garden along the way.

Step 1: Tap the “Time” on the lower left part of the screen. (**Fig. 1**)

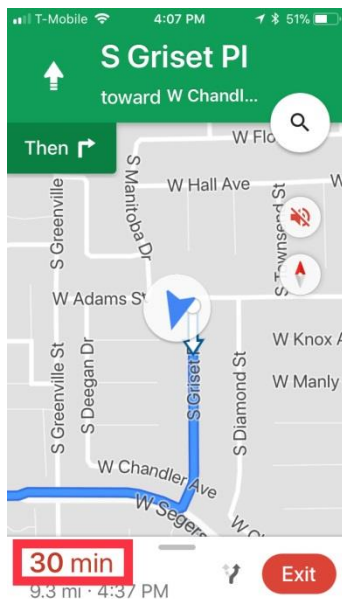


Fig. 1 Time selection screen

Step 2: Tap the “Search along route” section. (**Fig. 2**)

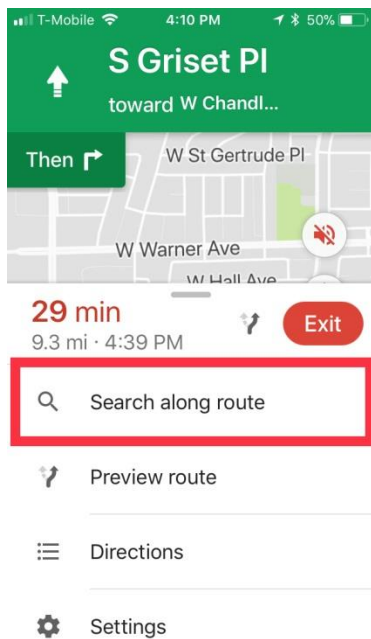


Fig. 2 Search along route selection

Step 3: Tap “Restaurants” button. (**Fig. 3**)

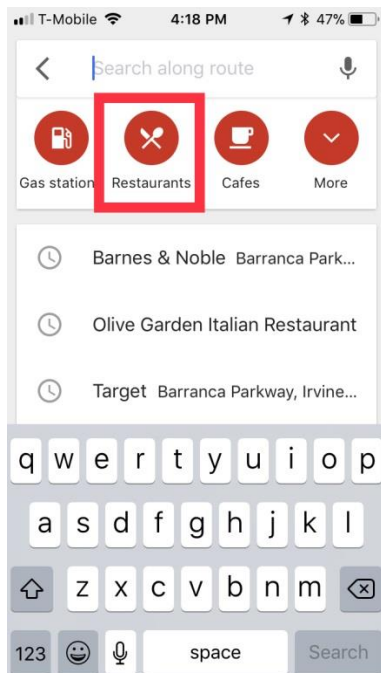


Fig. 3 Restaurants button selection

Step 4: The app searches for the restaurants nearby the route. Tap the name of the restaurant you want to go to. (**Fig. 4**)

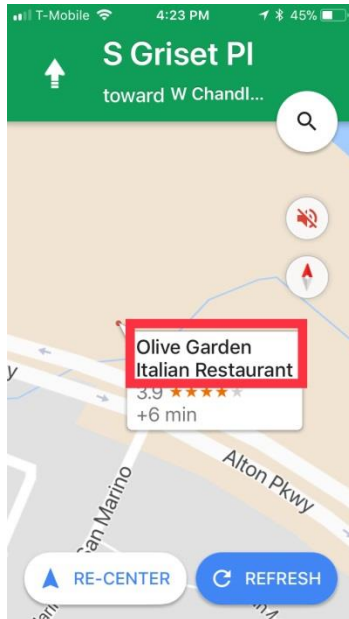


Fig. 4 Name of the restaurant selection

The app will add the stop to the current directions. (**Fig. 4.1**)

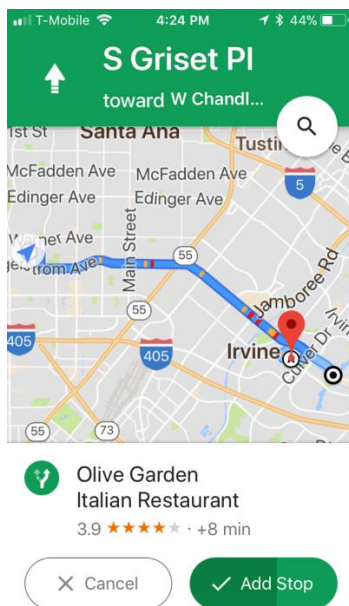


Fig. 4.1 Stop being added to current driving directions

Now, the directions to the restaurant are added to the current driving directions. (**Fig. 4.3**)

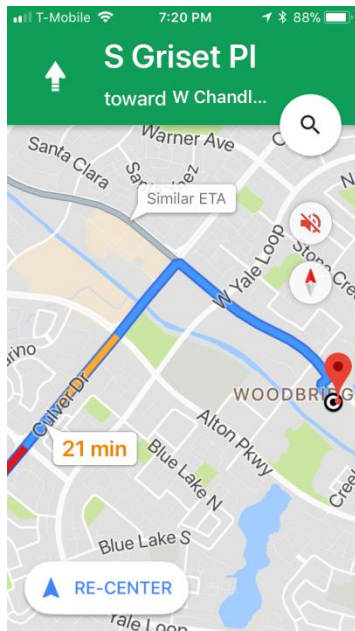


Fig 4.2 Directions before adding restaurant

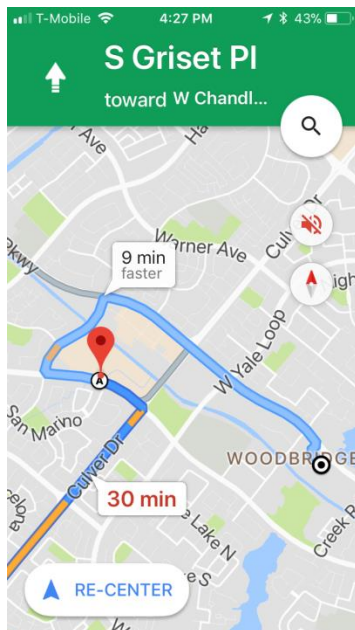


Fig 4.3 Directions after adding restaurant

Conclusion

Now the user knows how to get driving directions to a restaurant and to a restaurant that is along the way. The tutorial not only gave the user know on how to get driving directions; it also helped the user save time when getting to a restaurant. After learning this tutorial, the user will have a better experience using the Google Maps app.