

Shared-flat management

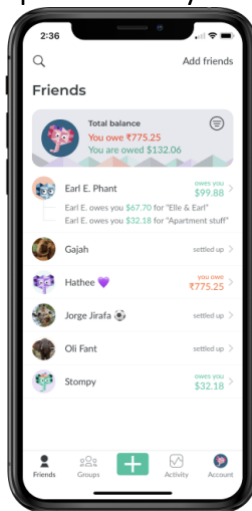
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Overlapping applications

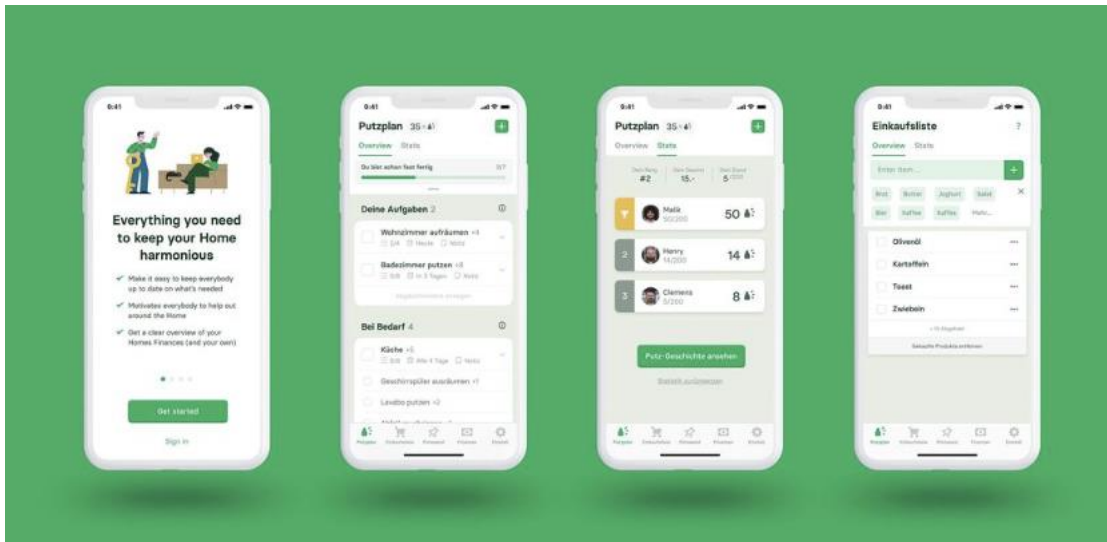
Going from this very general topic, I have found two applications that overlap.

Namely:

[Splitwise](#): Which is primarily focused on splitting expenses, Splitwise also allows users to create groups and share bills, making it useful for managing shared expenses in a flat. Splitwise really focuses one need and that is managing expenses among several people.



[Flatastic](#): It provides tools for task assignment, expense tracking, and communication among flat mates to streamline chores, responsibilities, and financial management in shared flats or apartments. More precisely flatastic offers you a selection of five topics in the home menu. You can choose between a pinboard, where the people that use the app together (you can only be in one flat / group) can message with each other and see what activities happened i.e. entries for expenses etc. The second selection allows you to go to the shopping menu, where you can coordinate your common groceries. The third topic allows you to coordinate the tasks, that need to be done around the flat. The fourth selection allows you to manage the common expenses and to bill people properly. The fifth menu allows you to manage your settings.



Source: <https://www.facebook.com/flatastic/>

Google store reviews

I found on reviews online that the flatastic app lacks a few features such as:

- Flat mate on vacation
- Adding expenses for someone else
- Notification granularity management
- Calendar features
- More flexible task scheduling



Manuel K



★★★★★ 20 February 2021

Love the app! Makes living together definitely more relaxed and easier. Although it'd love to see two features, which are missing in my humble opinion: - be able to add expenses for someone else (who has paid / in his favor) - be able to settle payments by giving someone money and add that to the expenses chart / show the influence. (so you don't have to misuse the expenses paid in the reverse way)

14 people found this review helpful

Did you find this helpful?

Yes

No



Werner



★★★★☆ 22 September 2023

App can't handle things like vacations at all. What happens when someone isn't there for a week? There is no option for that person to skip a task if they aren't home. Also, sign up is kind of unnecessary. Apps like Splidd work perfectly without accounts.

Did you find this helpful?

Yes

No



Faraz Rahnemay



★★★★☆ 4 September 2022

Useful app, but without granular notification controls, the signal-to-noise ratio is lousy. @devs please allow users to decide what types of notifications they want to receive. Task reminders are useful, but I don't need 20 notifications everytime someone else scratches their head. You could also consider implementing notification digests that would give users a summary of what happened throughout the day with just 1 notification instead of spamming me 20 times in a single day.

3 people found this review helpful

Did you find this helpful?

Yes

No



A Google user



★★★★☆ 16 July 2019

i like the app as it makes life and organising stuff much easier. would be great if there would be the option to add general (single) tasks too that can be send to flat members not only the cleaning stuff.. or f.e. a birthday reminder or shared calender as well f.e. weekly activities / game night / parties / cooking together

6 people found this review helpful

Did you find this helpful?

Yes

No



Lennart Heimbs



★★★☆☆ 10 June 2021

Not well thought through imo. Forgets a flatmate to clean sth or just doesn't do an item, the order gets totally skewed until one person who actually does their tasks might get to clean everything in a week and a manual reset is needed. also the permium paywall seems utterly useless - who would pay for a history of what they have cleaned?

4 people found this review helpful

Did you find this helpful?

Yes

No

The reviews show that the app is quite popular but does a bad job in reliability. Many users complained about bugs and not being able to properly open the app. Users are mostly people who live together in an apartment or house and want to manage their tasks together and deal with common finances. For those needs they want to be able to adjust the services that the app offers precisely to their need – without having find a workaround.

Source of reviews:

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.flatastic.app&hl=en_AU&pli=1