# Watch Ad-Free Youtube with Youtube Vanced

## Overview

There may be no other company that hates its users more than YouTube. YouTube has made many controversial decisions over the years. These decisions include ads you can't skip and removing the dislike counter.

The company also ignores its users and creators. The community wants features that other sites and apps have.

Personally, having used YouTube since 2008, I've seen crazy growth. YouTube started as a dumb website for amateur videos. It has changed into a place that is all about money. This growth has created a company that too often sacrifices user enjoyment for making money.

For all questionable decisions Youtube makes – it's the community that suffers.

**YouTube Vanced** is an alternative app to the official YouTube. YouTube Vanced makes using YouTube easy again. It takes away all the bad features and adds helpful ones.

## **Features**

YouTube has been stubborn in many of its layout and interface decisions. They also just make bad changes. It has many of the features we ask for but forces you to pay for YouTube Premium to access them.

Youtube Vanced is free. It has all the features that the community has asked for.

Easily the most annoying aspect of YouTube is the ads.

Whether it's the ones you can't skip or the ones you have to watch for five seconds. YouTube Vanced takes all of that pain away. YouTube Vanced gives an **ad-free experience** for users. It is just like an ad blocker extension on your desktop computer. You will not have to watch any video ads.

Similar to straight-up blocking video ads, YouTube Vanced uses a program called SponsorBlock. This program allows users to **skip over those sponsored blurbs** delivered by the content creator.

Users of SponsorBlock markdown when the content creator starts to talk about their sponsor. They also mark how long they talk about the sponsor.

You can even use it to skip over lengthy intros.

YouTube Vanced is then able to skip this section of the video and allow users to move on blissfully.

YouTube ads and sponsorships allow your favorite creators to benefit from their work by making money. This lets creators continue to make content for you to enjoy.

It makes sense that you would want to support them. The experience of a few ads may seem like a fair trade to you.

YouTube Vanced allows you to **let your favorite channels show you ads**. It is a feature called whitelisting. This optional feature allows you to support your favorite creators while silencing all others.

The future of apps is **dark mode**. Dark mode has gained popularity through the years with roughly 82% of users enabling the feature when available.

This game-changing feature has been available to users of all the major social media apps; Twitter, Instagram, and even Facebook. YouTube Vanced provides users the ability to switch to dark mode allowing for improved battery life. The dark tones are also easier on the eyes.

**The dislike counter is brought back**. YouTube got rid of the dislike counter to the public in November 2021. It sparked online outrage. People rightfully pointed out that it's important to know whether or not a video is heavily disliked. Videos with lots of dislikes let us know that they are not credible, entertaining, or useful.

It makes use of old information to display the like/dislike ratio from older videos. For newer videos, YouTube Vanced uses a program to estimate the like/dislike count. You can now see if a video is worth watching again.

YouTube Vanced creates a much better experience for those who love to listen to music on YouTube. One of the most frustrating aspects of the YouTube app is that you can't listen to music in the background.

YouTube Premium now offers you this feature for a cost. YouTube Vanced provides it for free.

Now you can **put any YouTube video in the background or in a picture-in-picture**. The only thing you have to make sure is that your phone has the power for it. Any Android 8.0 and above can handle this feature.

YouTube Vanced also has an **auto-repeat feature**. This feature automatically replays a video. It's great if you want to listen to a song or album over and over again. A feature that's on any music streaming app.

The decision by YouTube to shift the location of the comment section on mobile is another questionable move by the company. Some liked the new comment section and some hated it. YouTube Vanced lets everyone win and gives **the option to return the comment section back** to its original place.

YouTube Vanced has great customization ability. This lets users create the best space for themselves.

Customizable **swipe controls** allow users to manage brightness and sound. This is a feature on other video apps. It is easier than the system YouTube provides for us now.

YouTube Vanced has several video quality customization features as well. It can force your phone to play videos at their highest quality. You can also easily control the playback speed of videos.

## Frequently Asked Questions

Despite all these features, you might still have some questions about the app.

#### Is it safe to install YouTube Vanced?

Yes. YouTube Vanced is an open-sourced application. It can be tracked on Github. YouTube Vanced asks permission for all access and does not track its users. By the people, for the people.

#### Is YouTube Vanced free?

Yes. YouTube Vanced is a free app for mobile and desktop. It basically provides YouTube Premium in a free app.

### Is YouTube Vanced Illegal?

No. The app is simply a modified version of the YouTube app. It merely provides users content from YouTube itself. A completely legal practice.

#### Does YouTube Vanced hurt creators?

In general, ad blocking technologies do prevent creators from receiving revenue from a viewed ad. YouTube Vanced does block ads but allows you to whitelist the creators that you wish to support. The app allows you to block ad views as much as you see fit.