

COS 420 - Deliverable 0 - Project Description

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App Name: TravelGavel

App Category: Travel Planning

General Overview and Description:

TravelGavel is a vacation planning app available on Android devices.

TravelGavel has everything you need to plan and enjoy your perfect trip. Book flights, hotels, and car rentals with ease. Use TravelGavel's packing list to make sure you don't forget anything at home. Research the best restaurants and attractions at your destination, while keeping track of your expenditures. Keep track of your plans with TravelGavel's travel logs. Stay connected with others by sharing your trip with friends or planning a trip with a group. Store all your digital needs, from reservation and tickets at your fingertips to pictures and videos to commemorate your journey. Get your vacation in order with TravelGavel!

Similar App Descriptions:

1. Wanderlog - Travel Planner:

Wanderlog allows you to research destinations, their activities, as well as organize reservations via your connection to your email, and to design a day's itinerary. Both Wanderlog and TravelGavel allow the user to design an itinerary with start and end times for each event, research destinations, and sync their email to the app. The ability to sync with a user's email enables users to not have to make sure they transfer information from their email to the app, potentially risking some error in the transfer. Both apps will be able to access Google Maps to plan distance and travel time between locations. Additionally, both apps allow for the ability to have multiple people access an

itinerary to make group vacations easier to plan. TravelGavel will also have the ability to manage multiple trips at once. TravelGavel will not only enable users to research destinations and activities, but they will also be able to research hotels, restaurants, flights, and car rentals, with certain criteria in mind, such as location, price, and possibly scheduling. While Wanderlog allows for the ability to add notes, links, and blog posts, TravelGavel will allow the ability to add videos and photos to each trip. Finally, TravelGavel will be available for Android devices specifically, while Wanderlog is available on both iOS and Android devices.

2. Hopper: Flights, Hotels & Cars:

Hopper is a travel app that allows you to book flights, hotels, and cars up to a year in advance of your trip. It predicts airfares up to a year in advance, and provides recommendations for when to book your trip, or if you should wait a little longer to book. Similar to Hopper, TravelGavel allows users to research the prices of hotels, flights, public transportation, & cars. However, TravelGavel will not predict the prices of hotels, cars, or flights. While Hopper is available on iOS and Android, TravelGavel will only be available on Android devices. Hopper offers a color-coded calendar with the cheapest and most expensive dates to fly. TravelGavel will be able to find flights on the intended travel day, and sort the possibilities by price if desired, but it will not predict flight costs. While TravelGavel does not predict airfares, it will notify users if a flight is delayed, and can recommend other flights if one is canceled. TravelGavel does allow for the possibility of syncing a user's email to the application, so any bookings or reservations can automatically be uploaded to an itinerary. This would prevent mistakes that may be made in the transfer of information from an email to an itinerary in the app.

3. TravelSpend: Travel Budget App:

TravelSpend aids users to stick to a budget for their vacation. Users are able to enter their budget and expenses throughout their vacation so that they can see if they are about to go over budget. Both TravelSpend and TravelGavel take into account

currency differences if someone is traveling in a different country. However, TravelSpend automatically converts entries into a user's home currency, while TravelGavel enables users to enter expenses in a desired currency. Both apps allow users to share their trip with friends so they can budget together. In addition to tracking expenditures, TravelGavel also allows users to create planning lists, ranging in function from a grocery list, packing list, and list of things to do. This can aid in both planning a vacation, managing a budget, and also ensuring users are able to get the most out of their vacation and don't miss an opportunity for a fun experience.