AllHome App - User Guide

Complete Home Management Solution

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Getting Started

Welcome to **AllHome** - your complete home management companion! This app helps you organize every aspect of your household, from grocery shopping to meal planning, task management, and expense tracking.

First Launch

1. **Open the app** - You'll see the main dashboard
2. **Grant permissions** - Allow notifications for reminders
3. **Choose your theme** - Select from available color themes
4. **Start exploring** - Use the side navigation menu to access features

Navigation

- **Hamburger Menu** - Located at the top-left corner
- **Main Sections** - All features accessible from the side menu
- **Quick Actions** - Floating action buttons for adding new items

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Dashboard Overview

The main dashboard provides quick access to all your home management tools:

Side Navigation Menu

- **Todo** - Task and reminder management
- **Grocery List** - Shopping list creation and tracking
- **Storage** - Inventory and pantry management
- **Recipes** - Recipe collection and cooking guides
- **Meal Planner** - Weekly meal planning
- **Bills** - Bill tracking and payment reminders
- **Expenses Summary** - Spending analysis and reports
- **Settings** - App customization
- **Sync** - Data backup and synchronization

Grocery List Management

Streamline your shopping experience with powerful grocery list features.

Creating a New Grocery List

1. **Access Grocery Lists**
   - Tap the hamburger menu
   - Select "Grocery List"
2. **Create New List**
   - Tap the "+" button
   - Enter list name (e.g., "Weekly Shopping", "Party Supplies")
   - Tap "Save"

Adding Items to Your List

1. **Open a Grocery List**
   - Tap on any existing list
   - Tap "Add Item" or "+" button
2. **Item Details**
   - **Item Name** - Enter the product name
   - **Quantity** - Specify amount needed
   - **Category** - Choose category (Fruits, Vegetables, Dairy, etc.)
   - **Notes** - Add special instructions or brand preferences
   - **Photo** - Take or select a picture for visual reference
   - **Price Estimate** - Optional budget tracking
3. **Save Item**
   - Tap "Save" to add to your list

Shopping with Your List

1. **Mark Items as Purchased**
   - Tap the checkbox next to items while shopping
   - Crossed-out items indicate completion

2. **Edit Items on the Go**
   - Long-press any item to edit
   - Modify quantity, notes, or remove items
3. **View Shopping Progress**
   - Progress bar shows completion percentage
   - Filter view: All items, Remaining items, or Purchased items

Advanced Features

- **Recipe Integration** - Generate grocery lists from recipes
- **Storage Integration** - Check what you already have at home
- **Recurring Lists** - Save frequently used lists as templates
- **Shared Lists** - Collaborate with family members
- **Price Tracking** - Monitor spending across shopping trips

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Todo & Task Management

Stay organized with comprehensive task management tools.

Creating Tasks

1. **Access Todo Section**
   - Tap hamburger menu and select "Todo"
   - View tasks in calendar or list format
2. **Add New Task**
   - Tap "+" button
   - Fill in task details:
     - **Title** - Brief description
     - **Description** - Detailed notes
     - **Due Date** - Set deadline
     - **Priority** - High, Medium, or Low
     - **Category** - Personal, Work, Home, etc.

Setting Reminders

1. **Notification Settings**
   - Choose reminder time (15 min, 1 hour, 1 day before)
   - Set custom reminder intervals
   - Multiple reminders per task
2. **Repeat Tasks**
   - Daily, Weekly, Monthly, or Yearly
   - Custom repeat patterns
   - End date for recurring tasks

Managing Subtasks

1. **Add Subtasks**
   - Open any task
   - Tap "Add Subtask"
   - Break down complex tasks into smaller steps
2. **Track Progress**
   - Check off completed subtasks
   - Overall task progress updates automatically

Calendar View

1. **Monthly Calendar**
   - See all tasks by date
   - Different colors for priority levels
   - Tap dates to view/add tasks
2. **Daily View**
   - Detailed view of daily tasks
   - Timeline format for better planning

Recipe Management

Build your digital cookbook and discover new dishes.

Adding Recipes

1. **Create New Recipe**
   - Navigate to "Recipes" section
   - Tap "Add Recipe"
2. **Recipe Information**
   - **Recipe Name** - Give it a memorable title
   - **Category** - Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Dessert, etc.
   - **Cuisine Type** - Italian, Asian, Mexican, etc.
   - **Prep Time** - How long to prepare
   - **Cook Time** - Actual cooking duration
   - **Servings** - Number of portions
   - **Difficulty Level** - Easy, Medium, Hard
   - **Photo** - Add appetizing images
3. **Ingredients List**
   - Add each ingredient with measurements
   - Specify quantities precisely
   - Note any substitutions
4. **Cooking Steps**
   - Write clear, numbered instructions
   - Include cooking tips and techniques

- Add timing for each step

Organizing Your Recipes

1. **Categories**
   - Create custom categories
   - Filter recipes by type
   - Quick access to favorites
2. **Search & Filter**
   - Search by name, ingredient, or category
   - Filter by preparation time
   - Filter by available ingredients

Recipe Features

1. **Grocery List Generation**
   - Convert recipe ingredients to shopping list
   - Adjust quantities for different serving sizes
   - Combine multiple recipes into one list
2. **Meal Planning Integration**
   - Add recipes directly to meal planner
   - Schedule cooking days
   - Plan weekly menus
3. **Web Recipe Import**
   - Browse online recipes
   - Import from cooking websites
   - Save external recipe links

Meal Planner

Plan your meals efficiently and maintain a healthy eating schedule.

Weekly Meal Planning

1. **Access Meal Planner**
   - Navigate to "Meal Planner"
   - View calendar layout
2. **Adding Meals**
   - Tap on any day/meal slot
   - Choose meal type: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Snacks
   - Select from your recipes or create quick meals
3. **Meal Types**
   - **Recipe Meals** - Use saved recipes
   - **Quick Meals** - Simple meal notes
   - **External Meals** - Eating out or delivery

Monthly Planning

1. **Calendar Navigation**
   - Swipe between months
   - Tap specific dates for detailed planning
   - Overview of entire month's meals
2. **Meal Rotation**
   - Plan balanced weekly menus
   - Avoid meal repetition
   - Seasonal meal planning

Integration Features

1. **Recipe Connection**
   - Browse recipes while planning
   - One-tap recipe addition to meal plan
   - Automatic ingredient calculation
2. **Grocery List Generation**
   - Generate shopping lists from meal plans
   - Weekly or monthly grocery planning
   - Combine multiple days into one list
3. **Cost Calculation**
   - Estimate meal costs
   - Weekly/monthly food budget tracking
   - Cost per serving analysis

Storage & Inventory

Keep track of what you have at home and manage your pantry efficiently.

Setting Up Storage Areas

1. **Create Storage Locations**
   - Pantry, Refrigerator, Freezer, Cabinets
   - Custom names for different areas
   - Organize by location in your home
2. **Add Items to Storage**
   - Scan barcodes or manually enter items
   - Record purchase date and expiration
   - Note quantity and location

Inventory Management

1. **Current Inventory**
   - View all stored items
   - Check quantities and locations

- Filter by expiration dates
2. **Expiration Tracking**
   - Upcoming expiration alerts
   - Color-coded expiration warnings
   - First-in-first-out suggestions
3. **Usage Tracking**
   - Mark items as used
   - Track consumption patterns
   - Automatic quantity updates

Shopping Integration

1. **Check Before Shopping**
   - Verify what you already have
   - Avoid duplicate purchases
   - Smart shopping suggestions
2. **Restock Alerts**
   - Low quantity notifications
   - Automatic addition to grocery lists
   - Customizable minimum levels

Advanced Features

- **Barcode Scanning** - Quick item entry
- **Photo Documentation** - Visual inventory tracking
- **Location Mapping** - Remember where everything is stored
- **Waste Reduction** - Minimize expired food waste

Bills & Expenses

Track your household expenses and never miss a payment.

Adding Bills

1. **Create New Bill**
   - Navigate to "Bills" section
   - Tap "Add Bill"
2. **Bill Information**
   - **Bill Name** - Utility company, service provider
   - **Category** - Utilities, Insurance, Subscription, etc.
   - **Amount** - Monthly payment amount
   - **Due Date** - When payment is due
   - **Frequency** - Monthly, Quarterly, Annually
   - **Account Info** - Account numbers, reference details

Payment Tracking

1. **Record Payments**
   - Mark bills as paid
   - Enter actual payment date
   - Note payment method
2. **Payment History**
   - View past payments
   - Track payment patterns
   - Identify late payments

Expense Categories

1. **Custom Categories**
   - Create meaningful expense categories
   - Household, Transportation, Entertainment, etc.
   - Color-code categories for easy identification
2. **Budget Tracking**
   - Set monthly budgets per category
   - Monitor spending against budgets
   - Overspending alerts

Financial Reports

1. **Monthly Summaries**
   - Total expenses by category
   - Spending trends over time
   - Budget vs. actual comparisons
2. **Annual Reports**
   - Yearly expense analysis
   - Tax preparation assistance
   - Financial planning insights

Notifications & Reminders

Stay on top of your household management with smart notifications.

Notification Types

1. **Task Reminders**
   - Todo item due dates
   - Custom reminder intervals
   - Priority-based notifications
2. **Grocery Alerts**
   - Shopping list reminders
   - Store visit suggestions

- Sale notifications
3. **Bill Payments**
   - Upcoming due dates
   - Overdue payment alerts
   - Payment confirmation reminders
4. **Food Expiration**
   - Items nearing expiration
   - Use-by-date warnings
   - Inventory alerts

Customizing Notifications

1. **Notification Settings**
   - Enable/disable by category
   - Set quiet hours
   - Choose notification sounds
2. **Reminder Timing**
   - Advance notice periods
   - Multiple reminders per item
   - Snooze functionality

Settings & Customization

Personalize your AllHome experience.

Theme Selection

1. **Color Themes**
   - Blue Theme - Professional and calm
   - Yellow Theme - Bright and energetic
   - System Default - Matches device theme
2. **Dark Mode**
   - Automatic based on system settings
   - Manual override options
   - Battery-saving benefits

App Preferences

1. **Default Settings**
   - Default grocery categories
   - Standard reminder intervals
   - Preferred measurement units
2. **Privacy Settings**
   - Data sharing preferences
   - Local vs. cloud storage

- Account synchronization

Backup & Restore

1. **Data Export**
   - Export all data to external storage
   - Selective export by feature
   - Multiple export formats
2. **Import Data**
   - Restore from previous backups
   - Import from other apps
   - Merge with existing data

Data Sync & Backup

Keep your data safe and accessible across devices.

Cloud Synchronization

1. **Account Setup**
   - Create sync account
   - Link multiple devices
   - Secure data transmission
2. **Sync Settings**
   - Automatic vs. manual sync
   - Sync frequency options
   - Conflict resolution preferences

Data Security

1. **Backup Options**
   - Regular automatic backups
   - Manual backup triggers
   - Multiple backup locations
2. **Data Recovery**
   - Restore from recent backups
   - Selective data recovery
   - Emergency access options

Tips & Best Practices

Getting the Most from AllHome

1. **Start Small**

- Begin with one feature (grocery lists recommended)
- Gradually add more features as you get comfortable
- Don't try to use everything at once

2. **Establish Routines**
   - Set regular times for meal planning
   - Check expiration dates weekly
   - Review todos daily

3. **Use Integration Features**
   - Connect recipes to meal planning
   - Generate grocery lists from meal plans
   - Link storage inventory to shopping lists

Organization Tips

1. **Consistent Naming**
   - Use clear, descriptive names
   - Maintain consistent categories
   - Follow personal naming conventions

2. **Regular Maintenance**
   - Clean up completed tasks weekly
   - Archive old grocery lists
   - Update storage inventory regularly

3. **Family Collaboration**
   - Share important lists with family members
   - Assign tasks to different people
   - Coordinate meal planning together

Efficiency Hacks

1. **Templates and Patterns**
   - Create template grocery lists for regular shopping
   - Set up recurring tasks for routine activities
   - Use meal planning patterns (Meatless Monday, etc.)

2. **Batch Operations**
   - Plan meals for the entire week at once
   - Add multiple grocery items in one session
   - Set up all monthly bills at the beginning of each month

3. **Smart Notifications**
   - Set reminders for optimal times
   - Use location-based reminders when possible
   - Group related notifications together

Troubleshooting

Common Issues

1. **App Performance**
   - Close and restart the app
   - Clear app cache in device settings
   - Ensure sufficient storage space
2. **Sync Problems**
   - Check internet connection
   - Verify account credentials
   - Try manual sync from settings
3. **Notification Issues**
   - Check notification permissions
   - Verify notification settings in app
   - Restart device if needed

Getting Help

1. **In-App Support**
   - Access help section from settings
   - View feature tutorials
   - Submit feedback or bug reports
2. **Best Practices**
   - Keep app updated to latest version
   - Regular data backups
   - Monitor app permissions

Conclusion

AllHome is designed to simplify and streamline your household management. By integrating grocery shopping, meal planning, task management, and expense tracking into one comprehensive app, you can save time, reduce stress, and maintain better organization in your daily life.

Start with the features that address your most immediate needs, then gradually expand your usage as you become more comfortable with the app. Remember, the key to success with AllHome is consistency - regular use will help you develop efficient routines that benefit your entire household.

Happy organizing!