

# Review: CapCut

CapCut (Viamaker), 剪映, 지애닝

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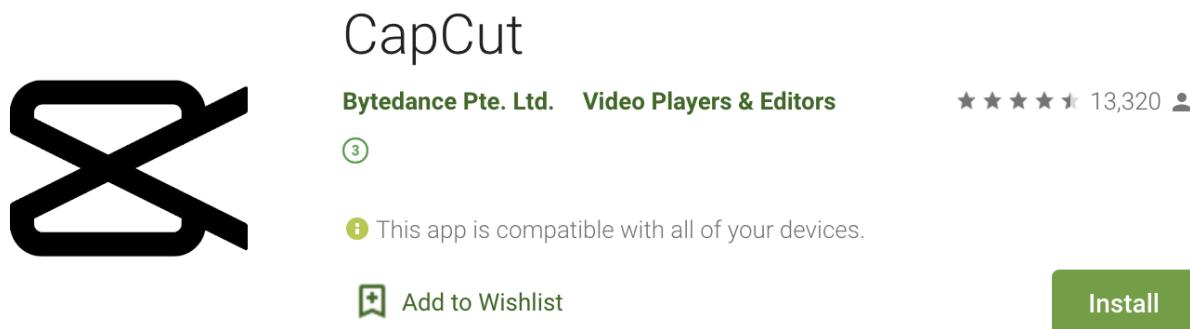
## App Download

### Global ver.

Android

[https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.lemon.lvoverseas&hl=en\\_US](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.lemon.lvoverseas&hl=en_US)

- First Release Date: April 15, 2020
- Latest Version: v1.2.0 (Updated on July 1, 2020)



iOS: <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/viamaker/id1500855883>

### Chinese ver.

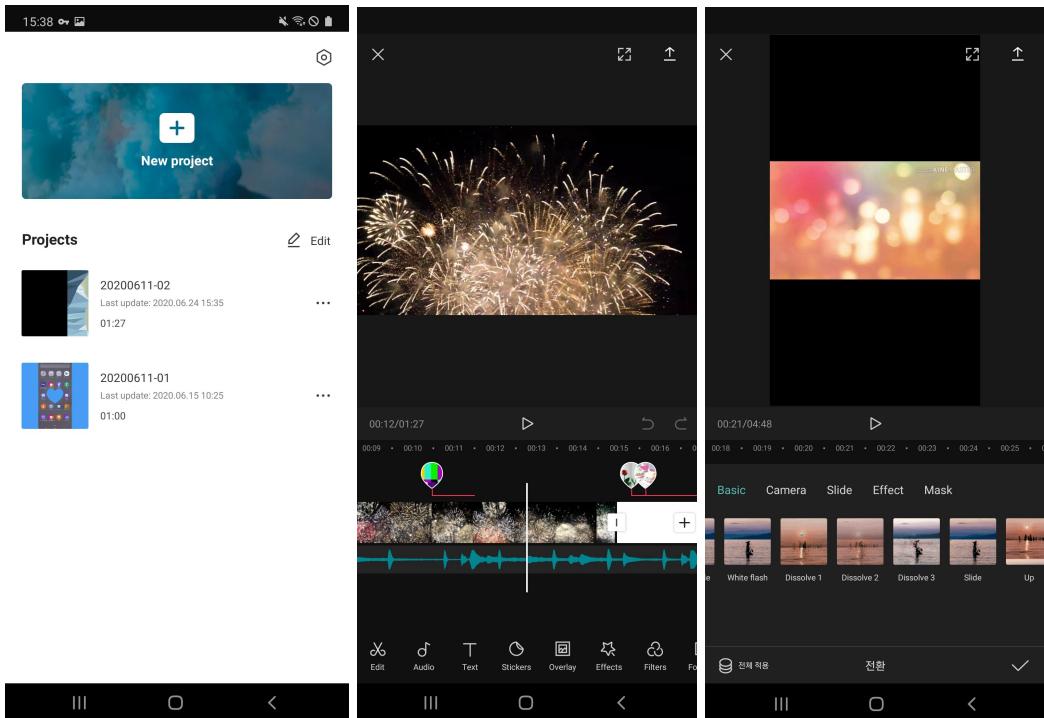
Xiaomi: <http://app.mi.com/details?id=com.lemon.lv>

- Latest Version: v3.4.2 (Updated on July 23, 2020)



# Comparison

## UI

Project List & Project Editing View	
KineMaster	 The top half shows the KineMaster project editing interface. It features a preview window displaying a video of red roses, a circular control center with icons for Media, Layer, Audio, and REC, and a timeline at the bottom with various video and audio clips. The bottom half shows the KineMaster home screen with a large central button for creating new projects, a sidebar with social media links, and a grid of thumbnail previews for existing projects.
CapCut	 The top half shows the CapCut project list screen, which includes a 'New project' button, a 'Projects' section with two existing project thumbnails, and a preview window showing a fireworks display. The bottom half shows the CapCut editing interface, featuring a timeline with video and audio tracks, a preview window showing a colorful bokeh effect, and a sidebar with various editing tools like Basic, Camera, Slide, Effect, and Mask.

## Settings and Features

	KineMaster	CapCut
Rating & Rank	(Global)	
Android	4.4★(2,708,796)	4.4★(13,320)
iOS	4.7★(129.9K), #39	4.4★(208), #43
Paid Type	Free with In-app Purchase	Free
Free	Watermark, Ads, Limited Features, Limited Assets	
Screen Orientation	Landscape	Portrait
Video Aspect Ratio	9:16, 1:1, 16:9	9:16, 3:4, 1:1, 4:3, 16:9 *Can be changed in a project
Video Resolution	4K 2160p, 1080p, 720p, 540p, 480p, 360p, 240p, 180p	1080p, 720p
Clip	Color Background, Image, Video	Image, Video, Stock Video
Video	Trim/Split, Pan & Zoom, Clip Graphics, Speed, Reverse, Rotate/Mirroring, Color Filters, Adjustment, Vignette, Audio, Extract Audio	Split, Volume, Speed(Curvilinear), Animation(in, overall, out), Transform(Rotate, Mirror, Crop), Mask, Replace, Filters, Adjust, Opacity, Beauty, Reverse, Freeze
Image	Trim/Split, Pan & Zoom, Rotate/Mirroring, Clip Graphics, Color Filters, Adjustment, Vignette	Split, Animation(in, overall, out), Transform(Rotate, Mirror, Crop), Mask
Color Background	Color, Trim/Split, Clip Graphics, Color Filters, Adjustment, Vignette	-
Audio	Volume, EQ, Volume Envelope, Reverb, Voice Changer, Ducking, Loop, Trim/Split	Volume, Fade, Split, Match cut, Speed
Overlay		
Type	Text, Stickers, Effects	Text, Stickers, Effects

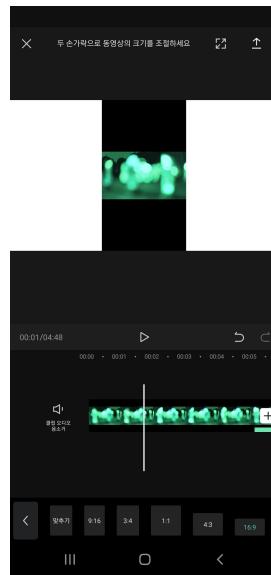
Features (overall)	Transform(scale, rotate, translate), Animation(in, overall, out), Alpha, Trim/Split, Rotate/Mirroring, Bring To/Send To, Center Horizontally/Vertically	V
Text	Font, Color, Text Options(alignment, space, line), Outline, Shadow, Glow, Background Color, Blending	Style, Effect, Bubble
Stickers (Still)	Blending	X
Stickers (Animation)	//Same as still stickers	X
Effects	Effect Settings(color, strength,...), Shape,	X
Transition	V	V
Speed	V	V
Features		
Redo/Undo	V	V
Replace	X	V
Duplicate/Copy	V Clip > Clip/Layer Layer > Layer	V Clip > Clip Layer > Layer
Capture	V Capture and Add/Save as Clip/Layer	V
Extend Timeline	V	X
Move To	V Move to Previous Point/Beginning/End	X
Record	V Camera, Camcorder, Audio Recorder	V Voiceover
Filters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Free: Basic, 38</li> <li>• Premium: 52</li> <li>• ApplyToAll</li> </ul>	Free: 50
Canvas	X	V Color, Background, Blur

Adjustment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Free: Brightness, Contrast, Saturation</li> <li>• Premium: Vibrance, Temperature, Highlights, Shadows, Gain, Gamma, Lift, Hue</li> </ul> <p>ApplyToAll</p>	Brightness, Contrast, Saturation, Sharpen, Highlight, Shadow, Temp, Hue, Fade
Export and Share		
Export Options	Resolutions, Frame Rate, Quality	iOS V Android X *The export options can not be changed while exporting, but you can select resolutions for all projects in Settings.
Export List	V	X
Share	V	X
Project Settings	Information, Editing, File Storage Location, Advanced Settings	Video resolutions
Additional	BeatSync	Some features for Chinese version only

# Main Differences

## Aspect Ratio

The aspect ratio can be changed in the project.



## Timeline

KineMaster	Capcut
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Show all types of layers</li><li>• Expandable</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Show different types of layers individually</li><li>• Not Expandable</li><li>• Select and scroll</li><li>• Unable to click the item on the preview view if the layer is not showing in the timeline.</li></ul>

Two side-by-side preview screens. The left one is from Kinemaster, showing a black screen with a small white icon at the top center. The right one is from Capcut, also showing a black screen with a similar white icon at the top center.

Two side-by-side screenshots of video editing timelines. The left screenshot is from Kinemaster, showing a complex timeline with multiple video tracks, audio tracks, and various effects applied to different clips. The right screenshot is from Capcut, showing a simpler timeline with fewer tracks and a different layout for managing layers. Both screens show a preview window at the top and a timeline at the bottom with clip duration markers.

# Overlays

## Effect

- Effects only support full-screen mode.

## Export and Share

### Export

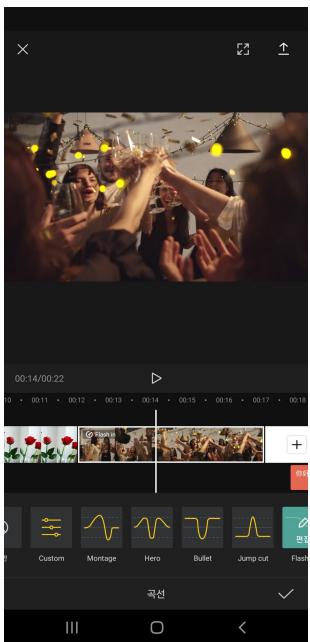
For the Android version, the export resolution and frame rate can not be changed. There is no exporting video list.

### Share

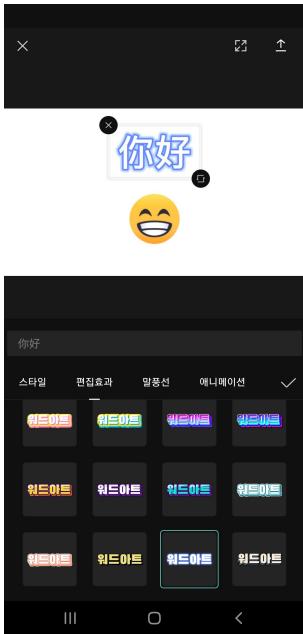
Sharing the exporting video is unavailable.

## Additional Features

- Curvilinear speed transmission (曲線變速 곡선 변속)



- Text Style (文字樣式 문자 양식)



- 자동으로 자막 추가 (Chinese version only)  
(Demo Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v6v31XN3-FA>)
- Speech recognition (語音識別 음성 인식)
- Text reading
- Automatic match point adding (Chinese version only)  
(Demo Video: <https://youtu.be/Z61otW9O2b4?t=11>)

## Pros and Cons

- 장점
  - 다양한 필터와 효과가 있습니다.
  - The operations(clicking, scrolling...) are smooth.
- 단점
  - Timeline의 디자인은 긴 비디오를 만들면 매우 불편합니다.
  - 만약 많은 레이어를 사용한다면 복잡할 것 같아요. Also, it is annoyed to switch between different types of layers while editing the video.
  - Some features support limited use only. (ex. Effects, Export resolutions,...)

## Summary

*CapCut* is enough for short videos, especially for Chinese tiktok users because most of tiktok videos are in 15 seconds to 1 minute. Besides, many features in *CapCut* (ex. Filters, Effect,...) come from Tiktok, so they will be easy to use for people who also use Tiktok.

However, if you want to use many overlayers, filters, effects, and make more sophisticated and higher-quality films, you need **KineMaster**.