

Video on the app stores - Apple App Store vs. Google Play Store -

v1.1 - find the latest version and links at http://bit.ly/appstore-videos

	APPLE APP STORE	GOOGLE PLAY STORE
	iOS and tvOS App Previews properties	YouTube video
Format	 - 640x1136 .mp4 video file (iPhone 5 series) - 750x1334 .mp4 video file (iPhone 6/7) - 1080x1920 .mp4 video file (iPhone 6/7 Plus) - 900x1200 or 1200x1600 .mp4 video file (iPad & iPad Pro) - 1920x1080 .mp4 video file (Apple TV) 	- 1920x1080 (1080p) or 1280x720 (720p)
Store guidelines	Apple approval needed - Follow guidelines - Device specific - 15 to 30s - Mostly based on captured footage - Not too salesy	No approval needed - guidelines leave freedom - Android devices only if Google wants to feature your app - Leverage being able to showcase your app as you wish - Make sure video reads well on mobile
Content displayed	 - Make sure to populate your app with most relevant content - Make sure to showcase compelling gameplay - Do not violate any copyrights: people images, music, etc. - Use cool visual assets from your app (stay within Apple's guidelines) 	 Make sure to populate your app with most relevant content Make sure to showcase compelling gameplay Do not violate any copyrights: people images, music, etc. Use cool visual assets from your app
	30s recommended	30-45s recommended
Length	Show essentials only - most unique features firstFirst 5 seconds criticalDo not go to fast yet keep it dynamic	Show essentials only - most unique features firstFirst 5 seconds criticalDo not go to fast yet keep it dynamic
	Critical asset	Critical asset
Thumbnail	 Called "Poster frame" Replaces 1st screenshot on App Store Needs to be a frame of your video Anticipate play button placement on the poster frame 	Play button appears on top of "Feature graphic"Custom graphic - 1024px by 500pxAnticipate play button placement
Localization	No localization possible: all potential users get the same language	Localization possible and recommended Use YouTube transcripts if short on localization budget
	No built-in A/B or split testing in iTunes Connect: use 3rd party tools like TestNest, SplitMetrics or Storemaven	Built-in split testing with Google experiments
Split or A/B Testing	- Test video - Test different poster frames	Test video vs. no videoTest different video versions
Update of video	- Update your App Preview with any major updates - Can only update video when updating the app	Update your Google Play Store video with any major updatesCan update video at any time
Call to action	 Clear call to action (Download now, Download today) Logo rather than app store icon (already on app store page) No website address No download badge 	 Clear call to action (Download now, Download today) Logo or app store icon Website address recommended Google Play Store badge only
Additional uses	 If app in portrait mode, no other usage recommended: if used on YouTube, "big black bars" will appear on each side + pace too slow for a vertical video ad. If app in landscape mode, can be used on website/social media/video ads - with minor tweaks 	Can be used on website/social media/video ads - with minor tweaks and/or shortened versions.
Video examples	Jurassic World SongPop (tvOS) Mint Tripwolf Lark	Clash Of Lords 2 Brave Trials Vivino TripWolf Seamless

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