

Smartphone apps to map your meanderings

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Who needs yet another smartphone app, let alone one that plots and records your wanderings?

You do – if you want to explore a city without keeping track of every turn, yet later call up the coordinates of that quaint patisserie you passed on that little cobblestone street whose name you can't recall.

Such apps let travelers live in the moment. You don't have to stop and jot down beguiling lanes, restaurants and boutiques – the app leaves digital bread crumbs.

Also, the routes that these apps ultimately plot are more than maps; they're shareable mementos, be it of your hike through Yosemite or stroll through Barcelona.

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