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With Samsung's answer to AirDrop can even send files to your fridge



by Georgi Zarkov / Jan 24, 2020, 2:01 AM



One staple iOS feature that iPhone users love is AirDrop. It lets people quickly and easily share files between Apple devices. And while on Android you can always use *"Send via Bluetooth"* or *"Share via Email"* to get the job done. In typical Android fashion, the solution is for manufacturers to come up with their own version of AirDrop until Google adds one as core functionality of its mobile operating system.

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The good news is that Google is indeed working on that and we might see it as soon as Android 11 is released, but until then, major names in the industry are releasing their file-sharing features. [Oppo, Vivo and Xiaomi announced](#) they are working together on one and now Samsung is ready for the release of its own.

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The information about it is coming from [XDA Developers](#). One of their sources has access to a Samsung device and provided APK files that reveal Samsung added an unexpected twist to the feature.

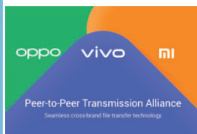
Called Quick Share, the feature works as you might expect. You turn on discoverability in the notification menu, so other Samsung Galaxy users can see your device when sharing a file, and you can select what to share. If you want to send something, Quick Share will be one of the options next to your standard sharing methods. Pretty straight forward.

Here comes the interesting part. You can also send files to devices part of Samsung's ecosystem. Obviously, that doesn't mean you can hide files in your smart light bulb, but you can send pictures to your Family Hub fridge or video files to your Samsung smart TV.

There's one small caveat. Files won't be sent directly to the smart device, but instead via Samsung Cloud and downloaded from there. Because of that, Samsung has put a limit on what can be sent. Single files can't be larger than 1GB and within 24 hours you can only send a limited amount of data. For most users, these limits shouldn't be an issue.

Samsung is already deep into the smart home initiative, so other products that could be added are likely to show up in the upcoming months and years.

The feature was part of Samsung's One UI 2.1 which is expected to launch with the Galaxy S20 in the next month. With Samsung being the world's largest smartphone manufacturer, Quick Share should make life a bit easier for millions of people at least a bit easier. As long as One UI 2.1 reaches their devices, that's a good thing.

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"And while on Android you can always use "Send via Bluetooth", it's not exactly quick."

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2. **phljcnth**

Posts: 566; Member since: Apr 30, 2012

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3. **surethom**

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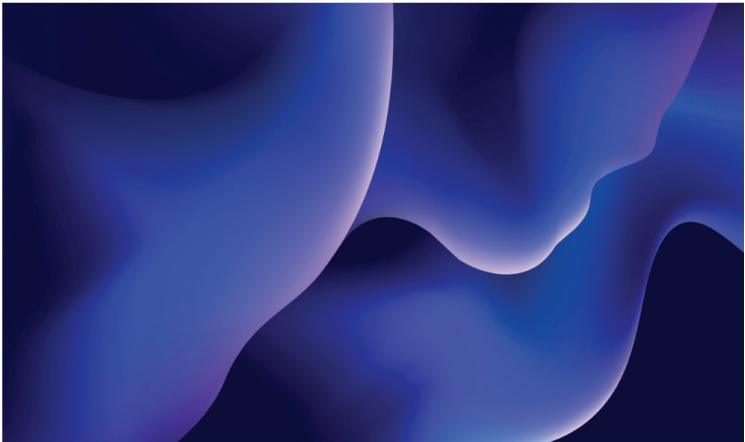
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NunoB512 says:

Great article, definitely all facts have been stated, and pretty sure that only #ISheep will dare deny what was written here, and still hate Samsung and Google for their AI implementation and business strategy. I will wait and see the pricing strategy for the new iPhones as they will need more RAM and re
don't think Apple has room to raise the pricing for the non-pro models with
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PatrickH says:

Bravo Alan, I've been with T-Mobile pre LTE and watched it grow as John Legere took the CEOs of AT&T; and Verizon out to the woodshed. That T-Mobile was cool to be a part of, now it's just the same as the rest. Sievert is sub par CEO running a company that USED to put others on notice.



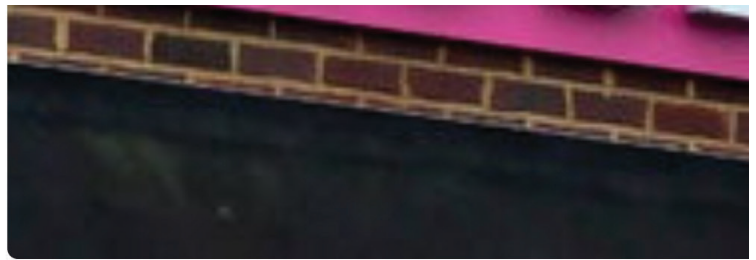


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Was a Sr Manager in the retail channel and quit in January due to their complete and utter disregard of their employees and customers. 16 years w the Company. Great years up until to the Sprint merger. They killed all operational support in Sept. Put it all on the field which is already overwork. Then started raising quotas to where it was nearly impossible to make a decent check. Then the employees started slamming features and lines on accounts so they could make money. Upper Mgmt turned a blind eye to it. 1 from a company that prided itself on being customer and employee centric. longer. They got their merger with Sprint and gave a big Middle Finger to th govt, its customers and the employees. There will be a special place in hell reserved for Mike Sievert and Jon Freier.



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JoshJoestar says:

I'm also a T-Mobile sales rep under a 3rd party retailer (Not corporate) Mak an account just to comment. Very thankful that this is becoming more know 🙌 Our district has heavily discouraged upgrading customers as well simply a way of maintaining metrics. Reps don't see it as being worth their time because commission incentive is only fifty cents per upgrade if you're not getting those extras (plan change, insurance, accessories, watch, etc) I've been with this company for over three years and am currently working out r last two weeks. I've been struggling to pay bills for the past half a year and be told that we're not watching numbers closely enough is unbelievably disheartening, especially when you're spending 1-2 hours helping a custom just to be paid half a dollar. As someone else stated in the comments, we're really not trying to be rude or mean, we just don't want to get fired for disobeying or throwing off sales numbers.





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