

# 150 Best Android Apps Of Year 2012


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[Nexus 7 - from \\$199](#)

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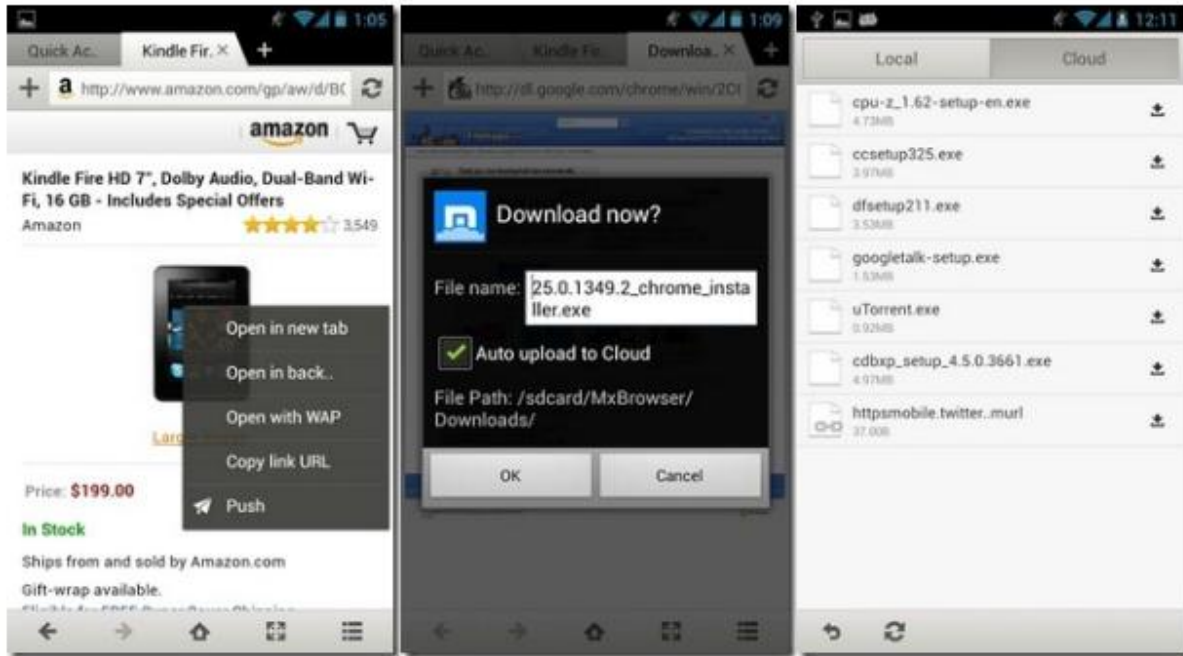
Now more portable than ever with mobile data. Made for Google Play AdChoices 

Building on its hard-earned success from the previous years, Google's mobile operating system, Android, continued to maintain its position as a leading name in the business all throughout 2012. Apart from the release of the powerful Samsung Galaxy S III and numerous other top-of-the-line Android devices, the recently-concluded year saw Google introduce the quad core-powered Nexus 4, and the first tablet in the Nexus series, the Nexus 7, followed by its 10-inch variant, the Nexus 10. Obviously enough, 2012 wouldn't have been complete without adequate advancements on the software front as well. Thanks to the release of the Project Butter-powered [Android 4.1 Jelly Bean](#) and its [enhanced iteration](#) (4.2), Android became a much steadier, smarter, faster and secure platform. As a result, the inflow of apps in the Google Play Store (formerly Android Market) has continued to increase and so has the number of big names making their debut on it. This post, like the one at [the end of last year](#), focuses on the best free Android apps of 2012 that were featured on Addictive Tips.



Other than many a well-reputed developer releasing long-awaited Android variants for their popular mobile, web or desktop apps to the Play Store, 2012 has seen a huge shift in standard Android app UI, courtesy of the change in Google's design guidelines. The resulting trend of [Holo-themed apps](#) continues to increase to the point of becoming commonplace, a glimpse of which you're about to get in the following list.

39. **Maxthon Cloud Browser** (One of the few cross-platform supported web browsers to have been released in 2012, Maxthon Cloud Browser impresses with its extensive cloud sync and sharing support.)



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