

The 9 Coolest Movie Apps for Your New iPhone

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It's Christmas Day and all around the world, good boys and girls are dipping into their stockings and pulling out one of the hottest gifts in recent memory: the new iPhone 4s. Which is great, but once you have it, then the real work begins -- sorting through the eleventy quintillion different available apps (trust us, we counted them all).

Don't worry, though, because we've sifted through the multitude of interactive cinematic gewgaws for you and now we're happy to present the results: Our list of the top nine iPhone movie apps, all of which are designed to help you have fun and enjoy the movies like never before. Or to put it in iPhone terms: Why so Siri-ous?

IMDb -- On a plane, on a plane or in an automobile you can now find out who the key grip on "Planes, Trains and Automobiles" was with the touch of a finger. And it's not just an app, it's an agent of peace; who knows how many arguments and bar bets have been settled thanks to the IMDb app already? Worth it just so you don't have to spend your whole day trying to figure out where you've seen "that guy" before.

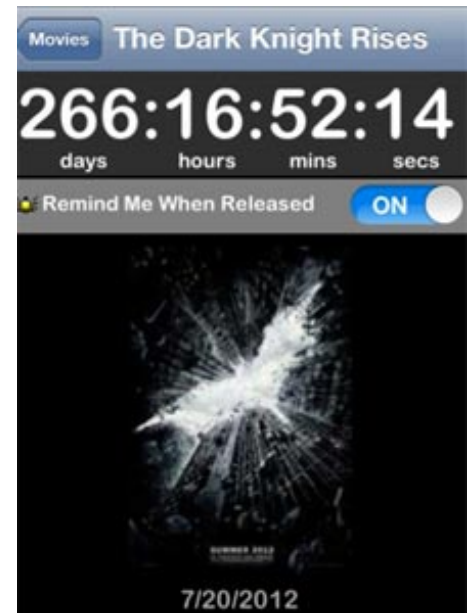
Moviefone -- Trailers, interviews and film clips are all available in the palm of your hand with the Moviefone app, but what we really like is the ability not only to check showtimes and order tickets, but also to share that info instantly with the peeps you're going to the theater with. No more stumbling around in the dark or scanning the lobby for your friends while the movie's starting.

RunPee -- There's nothing better than enjoying a big pail of soda while you're enjoying the latest blockbuster ... as long as you have RunPee, that is. The app tells you exactly which part of the movie you can skip out on to visit the can without missing anything interesting or important. If only they made these for math class!

Scene It? Movies 2 -- Much as we love movies, we have to admit that our favorite part of the theater experience may be the pre-show, where they run those trivia questions in an endless loop until the trailers start. Sure, the Scene It? app doesn't allow you to get there early and memorize all the questions so you can look like a trivia savant in front of your friends, but there's no better way to test your knowledge of cinema -- and pass the time with chums -- than Scene It's interactive trivia experience.

Movie Clock -- One of the best free movie apps around, Movie Clock is pretty simple: It provides a countdown to the release date of every single upcoming major motion picture. If you're like us, you probably want to be first in line at the theater for the first possible showing of your favorite films. Now you can be. And being able to obsess over every second that ticks off towards the release of "The Dark Knight Rises" or "The Hobbit" is going to make finally seeing the movie all that much sweeter.

Harry Potter: Spells -- Your iPhone may seem like magic, what with all the amazing things it can do; but what if you could literally turn it into a wizard's wand? Harry Potter: Spells shows you exactly how to cast dozens of spells from the world of "Harry Potter," and thanks to the iPhone's motion controls, you can actually use it as a wand to engage in



real-time wizard duels with your friends -- and your enemies. We guarantee this app will stupefy you.

Flixster -- This app has pretty much everything except the kitchen sink (and we hear that's coming in an update). But besides trailers, box office figures and showtimes, what we really like about Flixster is the fact that it's fully integrated with our favorite social media sites, allowing us to see instantly just what our friends think about any given movie -- and more importantly, tell them what they should actually think about it. Bonus: Flixster also has details about DVDs and upcoming home video releases, including your Netflix queue. What more do you need?

GetGlue -- No, this isn't a way to trade in your old horse for movie tickets. It's multimedia dream, allowing you to share with your friends, at the touch of a button, information and opinions on everything in the entertainment world, including movies, television, music, games and pretty much everything else. And once GetGlue knows what you like, it can start recommending new undiscovered gems from the world of entertainment that have been carefully selected according to your own personal tastes. Once you GetGlue, you'll be stuck on it forever.

NextMovie Trivia Challenge -- Not to toot our own horn, but when it comes to straight-up movie trivia for today's generation, nothing beats the NextMovie Trivia Challenge. With categories dedicated to films you've actually seen -- like '90's Movies, for instance -- our app keeps things fresh while also providing a true challenge in the form of our unique ranking system and leader board. Sure, you can beat your friends at movie trivia, but how do you fare against the world at large? Are you ready to take on the challenge of becoming the NextMovie trivia champion? Check it out -- and put your app where your mouth is.