Rantau VPN

Guide for Android

Install the Rantau VPN app, create an account or sign in, and connect. New accounts get 1 GB free for 7 days.

You need

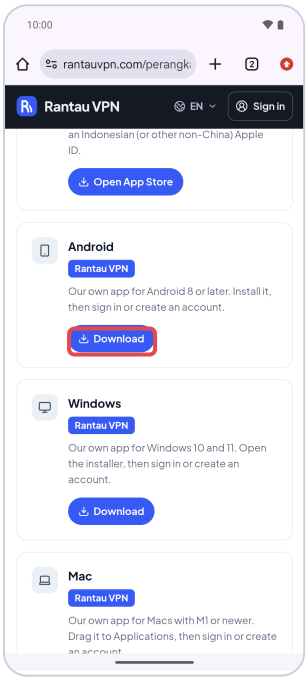
- An Android phone with Android 8 or later
- Your email address

The pictures come from a standard Android phone; on Xiaomi, OPPO, vivo and others the system screens look a little different. Huawei phones: see the last page.

INSTALL THE APP

1 On your phone, open **rantauvpn.com** and tap **Download** on the Android card.

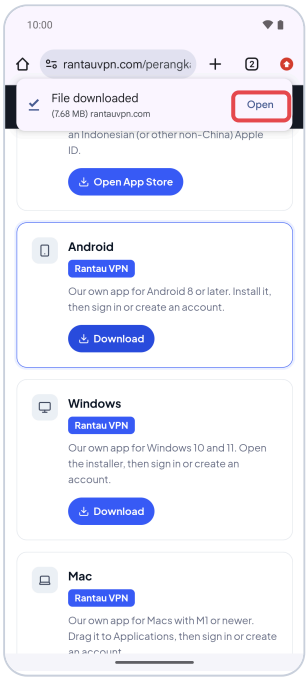
Opened in WeChat? Tap ··· at the top right and open the page in your browser.



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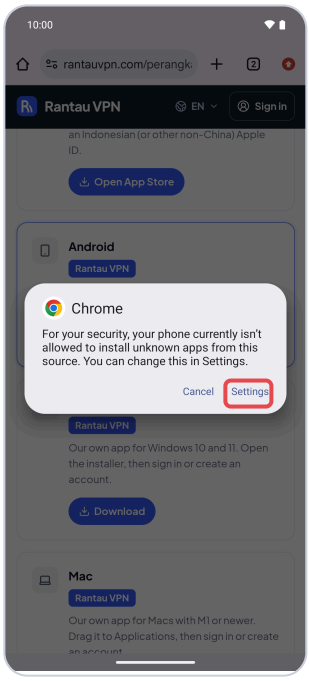
2 When the download finishes, tap **Open**.

If Chrome asks whether to keep the file, tap **Download anyway**.



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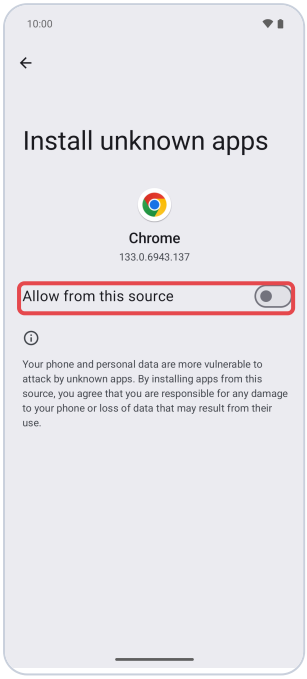
3 Android blocks apps from outside an app store at first: tap **Settings**.



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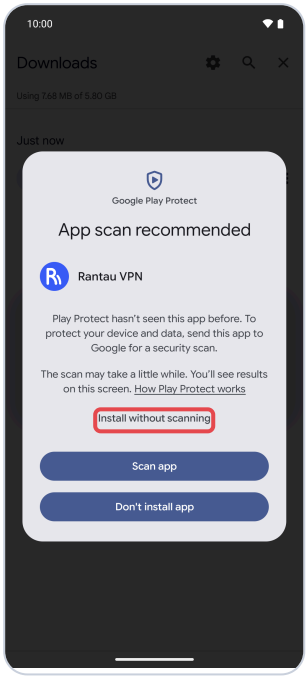
4 Turn on **Allow from this source**, go back and tap **Install**.

No installer? In Chrome's ⋮ menu, tap **Downloads**, then **Rantau-VPN-Android.apk**.



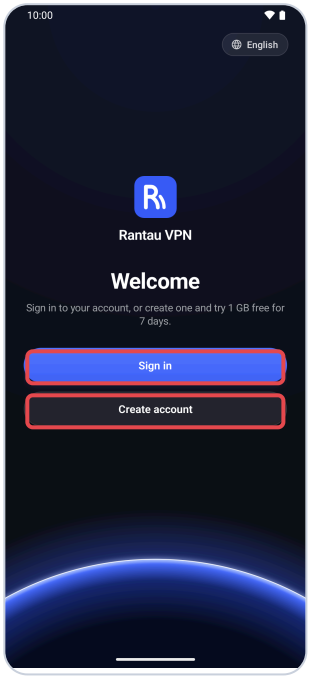
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5 If Play Protect suggests a scan, tap **Install without scanning** (on some phones, under **More details**). When it's installed, tap **Open**.



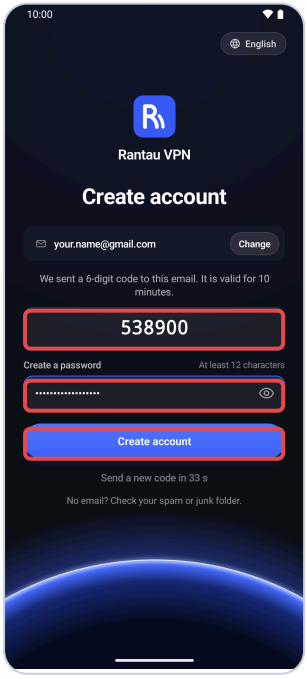
CREATE AN ACCOUNT OR SIGN IN

6 **New here?** Tap **Create account** for the free trial.
Have an account? Tap **Sign in** and go to step 8.



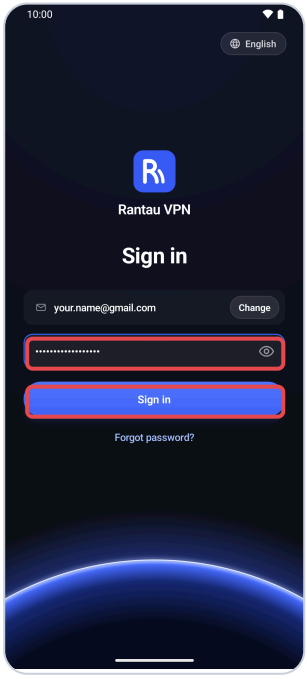
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7 **Create account:** enter your email and tap **Send code**, then enter the code from the email, choose a password and tap **Create account**.



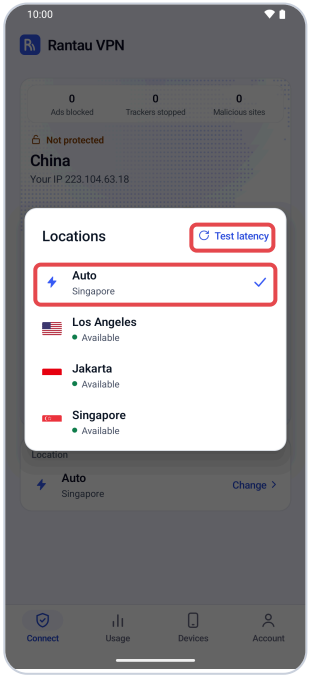
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8 **Sign in:** enter your email and tap **Continue**, then your password and tap **Sign in**.



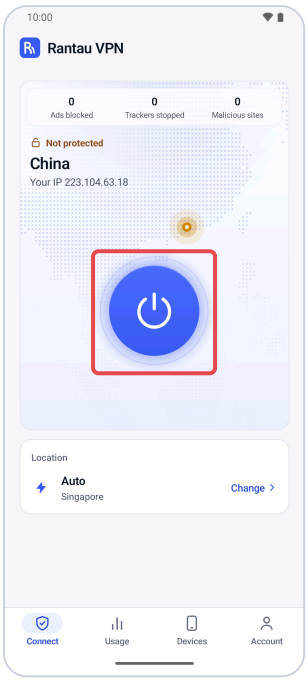
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9 **Auto** picks the fastest location. To choose one yourself, tap **Change**; **Test latency** there shows which is fastest.



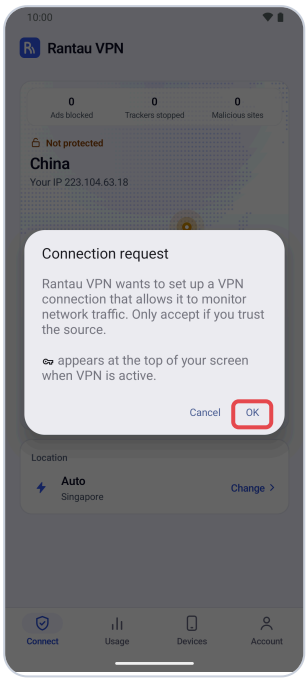
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10 Tap the power button to connect.



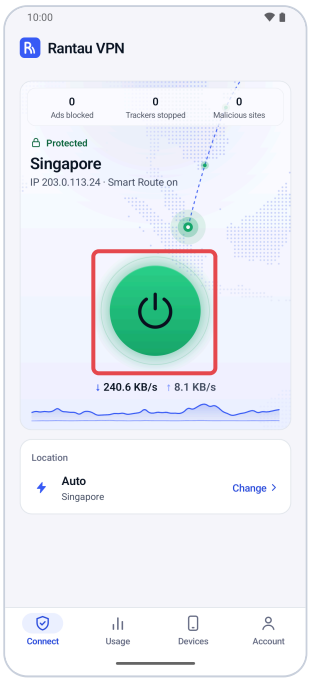
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11 The first time, Android asks to allow the VPN: tap **OK**. If it asks about notifications, tap **Allow**.



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12 Connected: the map shows **Protected** and **Smart Route on**. Tap the button again to disconnect.



Huawei phones

- **EMUI or HarmonyOS 4 and older** (see Settings, About phone): install as above. If the phone warns that Pure mode (纯净模式) is on, install anyway or turn Pure mode off in Settings.
- **To keep the VPN on with the screen off:** in Rantau VPN, open **Account**, tap **Run in background**, then **Open settings**. Turn off the switch next to Rantau VPN, make sure the three switches that appear are on, and tap **OK**. If Settings, Battery has 休眠时始终保持网络连接 (keep the network on while asleep), turn it on too.
- **HarmonyOS 5 and later** can't install Android apps, so Rantau VPN doesn't work there yet.

No more switching the VPN off and on

Smart Route sorts your traffic: WeChat, Alipay, campus sites and other Chinese services connect directly, as fast as without a VPN, while Google, WhatsApp, Instagram and more go through Rantau VPN.

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