

Android Pay Comes to Poland



Level B1/B1+



Android Pay now available in Poland; can be used at 400,000 retail locations

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Android Pay launched a little over a year ago and is currently available in only a few of countries including the US, Australia, Hong Kong, and the UK. As mobile payment services get more and more popular, Google is trying to expand Android Pay to other countries as well, especially ones located on the old continent (Europe).

Today, Google has announced that its Android Pay service is now also available in Poland. It currently supports three banks — Alior Bank, Bank Zachodni WBK and T-Mobile Banking Services — and can be used in any store that has an NFC payment terminal. There are around 400,000 of them across the country.

To use Android Pay, you need three things. You have to own an NFC-enabled device running Android 4.4 KitKat or above, download the official Android Pay app from the Google Play store and, of course, have a credit/debit card from one of the above-mentioned banks.

In case you don't know how to use Android Pay, let me walk you through it as the process is quite simple. All you have to do is wake up your device, place it near an NFC payment terminal, and wait for the payment to be made. That's all there is to it.

Android Pay is available to Polish users as we speak. The service will support more banks in the future, with mBank being first on the list. We can also expect that Google will expand Android Pay to other European markets soon, although no specific dates have been mentioned.

Comprehension. After reading the article quickly, answer the following questions without consulting the text.

- What three things do you need to use Android Pay?
- What are the three steps you have to make to use Android Pay?
- When is Google planning to enter other European markets with Android Pay?

Discussion. In your opinion, why has Google chosen to make Poland the first country in continental Europe where Android Pay is available? How popular can it get?

Vocabulary. In the text, find words or phrases that mean the following:

- was introduced (1)
- to increase the scope of something (1)
- provides the service for, works with (2)
- shop, retail location (2)
- to have (3)
- operating on (3)
- to restart from sleep mode (4)
- to put (4)



How to use Android Pay in stores

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LqFDFaYWEEg>

Vocabulary and grammar. Before you watch the video, fill in the gaps in the sentences below with the appropriate verb in the appropriate form. Then watch the video to check your answers.

appear	enter	make	open	unlock
approve	download	complete	sign	verify

- Before you can use Android Pay to _____ purchases, you'll need to have the Android Pay App on your phone.
- If you don't have it, you can _____ it from Google Play.
- You'll also want to make sure you have at least one payment card successfully added and _____ in the Android Pay app.
- At checkout, there is no need to _____ the app.
- Simply _____ your phone and hold it to the payment terminal.
- You'll need to hold the phone to the terminal for a couple of seconds until a green checkmark _____ on your phone, and you received confirmation from the cashier that your payment was _____.
- To _____ the transaction, you may be asked to _____ your PIN if you pay with a debit card.
- Or, if you paid with a credit card, you may be asked to _____ a receipt.

***Vocabulary.** Watch the video again and write down the phrases that mean the following:

- there are many different types of payment terminals
- you should look for the contactless symbol
- if you have any problems