

## Android – useful apps

What would be the operating system without programs which enhance its capabilities? The answer you will find as usual.. in a web search engine. I do not have time to do it:))

Android is still a young system for a mobile platform, which does not mean that it is not suitable for use and lacks any useful applications. Quite the contrary. Let's back to the main subject. I've included a list of applications, useful for me of course. Relax, you will also find something useful :)

### 1. ES File Explorer

A great file manager with support for FTP and SMB. It lacks support for encrypted protocols but it is complemented with a program number. 2.

### 2. AndFTP

This program supports both unencrypted and encrypted protocols(ftp, sftp, ftps).

### 3. SwiFTP Server

Using this application you can run a ftp server on the WiFi connection. We set the username and password and can connect from the computer to the phone and transfer files. Of course, you must have a Wifi router.

### 4. ConnectBot

Ssh and telnet client. It saves the settings and allows to define a command to be executed after logging.

### 5. K-9 Mail

E-mail client. It supports encrypted and unencrypted connections. Allows you to accept certificates that are not signed by the Root Certification Authorities.

### 6. Barcode Scanner

It can be useful to find applications in the Market, simply scan;).

### 7. Task Manager

Manages the processes and turns them off automatically. I wonder if this app is necessary because it runs as a service and consumes resources:).

@ Update 31.08.2010 – I can live without this application, I do not use it anymore. Moreover, my phone is much more stable without it.

### 8. Opera Mini 5

A web browser, sometimes is useful for a change.

### 9. ColorNote

Notepad with possibility to secure notes with password. Useful for keeping sensitive information.

## **10. OSMonitor**

Tool for monitoring the system. It collects a lot of information about running processes, established network connections, the status of the battery, processor, memory, etc.

## **11. Dolphin HD Browser**

Web Browser. It supports gestures, tabs, etc. The only thing that puzzles me is a license that refers to some agent collecting data about the user experience.

Overall, much better than the default browser and Opera. Especially noteworthy are gestures. You can define your own gesture and assign it an address of any web page. This significantly speeds up web browsing.

## **12. Speed Test**

Testing connection speed. The history is saved and all results can be exported to a file.

## **13. XBMC Remote**

Control xbmc via the phone (when connected via wifi). There is also an official version written by the authors of xbmc but oddly enough, it does not work.

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- added ColorNote app

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