


☐

I'm not robot

  
reCAPTCHA

Continue

## Android notification sound bluetooth

Notifications are an important component of smartphones, so it can be annoying if you accidentally swipe one away before reading it. Introduced in Android 11, Notification History is a log of each notification you've rejected. Here's how to use it. The Notification History feature is not enabled by default. Once turned on, it will keep a log of each notification that was rejected in the last 24 hours. This includes system alerts and alerts that appeared and disappeared on their own. RELATED: The best new features in Android 11, Now Available On your Android phone or tablet, swipe down from the top of the screen (once or twice depending on your device's manufacturer), then tap the Gear icon to open the Settings menu. Select the Apps & Notifications option from the menu. Then tap Notifications Select Notification History at the top of the screen. Finally, turn on the switch at the top of the Use notification history screen. The log will be blank at first, but it will start saving notifications after you enable the feature. When notifications appear in your history, you'll take to the associated app, just like a regular notification. Next time you accidentally remove a notification, visit this section to see what it was! I'll admit it: I have quite a love-hate relationship with the way my phone handles notifications. Android notifications, you see, get a lot of things right. They are easy to read, convenient to shop for, and reasonably easy to manage - and increasingly advanced tools to control them appear with virtually all new Android versions (including still-rockin'-that-new-software-bang Android Q, whose current early beta contains yet another new set of small but significant notification adjustments). Heck, spend five minutes with an iOS device and you come back to Android and feel positively grateful for how well we are doing. At the same time, however, there is so much more Google can do to make notifications better - to take the next leap forward, especially when it comes to the site user-friendly and finely nuanced notification management. It is becoming increasingly important these days as so many of us try to find the right balance between being constantly connected and being, well, sane, and it still seems that there is much next level of thinking that has not yet been achieved. Google itself may not have stumbled upon the magic answer yet, but a team of developers working with a Duke University behavioral lab has come up with a pretty impressive effort to reimagining the way our phones' notifications work. And having been playing around with their concept for a little while now, I can't help but think they're on to something. The team's app is called Daywise, and the goal is to act as an intelligent assistant that captures incoming notifications, finds out which ones are really important and doesn't need to interrupt you immediately, and then delivers everything equivalent, in a way that makes sense for your needs. When you use it, it's hard not to think that the concept they came up with should be a native part of Android itself. Take a quick look with me on how it all works and see if you agree. Notifications, meet shadesAll right, so here's how Daywise operates: The first time you open up the app, it asks you to approve a schedule for when it will deliver notification batches - groups of non-urgent alerts it collects over a period of time and then refer to you all at once, thus creating less productivity-zapping distractions and making more efficient use of your time. The app is designed to give you a batch in the morning, one at lunchtime, one at the end of the day, and one before bedtime. You can customize any time to make them work for your own routine. JR After that, Daywise scans all the apps on your phone and gives you a suggested overview of which apps should be instant — where any notifications they generate reach you immediately, in the traditional way — and that should be moved over to the batch system, where incoming notifications are withheld and delivered to you only at the specified times we just discussed. For me, the recommendations were pretty spot on: Things like my messaging apps, calendar app and phone app were all whitelisted for instant delivery by default, while there were usually less pressing things like Gmail, Play Store, and my podcast app were sorted in the Batched section. If Daywise doesn't get anything set up the way you want, all it takes is a few quick taps to change it. JR Now, the particularly cool part: Daywise gets even more nuanced from there. For example, let's say you won't get instant Gmail notifications in general, but will be notified immediately of incoming emails from a few specific people - your boss, your significant other, maybe your favorite theremin player (just in case your wildest dreams come true, and he or she ever sends you emails). Daywise has a separate section where you can specify VIP contacts if incoming messages will act as an exception to a rule and always notify you immediately when they enter, even if the associated app is configured to be part of the batch layout. JR When you have all that set, you just sit back and let Daywise do his job. There's really not much thought to it from that point forward, either; things basically just work the way you expect: The app lets your whitelisted notifications through immediately and then saves all the others to give you in groups at predetermined times. JR When you tap a Daywise notification to open one of the batches, you'll see all the notifications that come with the app that sent them. You can tap any notification to open it in the respective app, swipe it to the page to delete it, or tap the menu icon to set the app or sender to be treated as a notificationable notification for the future. Jr find the app in the Play Store, by the way, it may be due to a short-term geographical limitation. The app is apparently not GDPR compliant in its current beta state, which is why developers have not yet made it available in Europe. They tell me they expect to be ready to lift this restriction and make the app available everywhere in the next few weeks.) The big pictureIf the approach here sounds a little familiar, it should: What Daywise does with Android notifications, is remarkably similar to what Google's soon-to-be-shuttered Inbox app did for email. (Ding, ding, ding! Give yourself seven bonus points if you had already made that connection. Seven more bonus points and you'll be eligible for a prize (which may or may not be another seven points.) In fact, the terminology is almost identical: While Daywise revolves around notification parties, Inbox used email bundles to help you manage your email and avoid being constantly distracted by unimportant messages. It will automatically categorize incoming emails into one of several categories, which you can then set to appear in clusters at certain times of the day instead of bothering you bit by bit every time a single message arrived. It made for less interruption and a more efficient method of managing email - just as Daywise does with notifications. Now there's another page to the story that needs to be pointed out: As a third-party app that handles this kind of thing, Daywise requires full access to all your incoming notifications - something that certainly makes sense and that the company's privacy policy is in advance about describing. The app also stores form metadata (basic statistics about your notification frequency and patterns) and statistics about your use of the app and scheduling features. However, the company behind Daywise says that it will never sell, trade, rent or otherwise transfer personal information to others unless required by law - and that in the event that the Company itself is ever sold or acquired, it will only share or transfer user data if the acquiring organization agrees to keep it private. I contacted the crew behind the app to clarify a little further. The company's co-founder and CEO, Ranjan Jagannathan, stressed that access to notification-related data is an inevitable part of the Daywise service, but noted that all such data is assigned an anonymous ID so that it is never associated with a specific, identifiable person. All such data, he also told me, is transmitted over an encrypted connection and then stored in password-protected databases. And going forward, once the app is past its current beta phase, the goal is to reach a point where all important data remains on the local device and processing happens there, so no transmission is required. His team is also working on adding a feature that allows you to request to have your non-anonymous data deleted on request - and in the meantime, he says anyone can opt out at any time request to have this data manually removed from the company's servers, if the need ever arises. The broader question with something like this, of course, is always how the company intends to monetize the product - because ultimately each app and service exists for a reason, and it is important for us as users to understand the content of this relationship. Jagannathan says that when Daywise is out of beta state, he and his team will experiment with making it a paid service. Beyond that, they're working on a predictive intelligence feature that sounds like it can be marketed to other app developers as a service they can integrate into their own offerings. As with any third-party add-on, you can only decide whether you are comfortable with the level of data access that comes with the territory. But even if you don't use Daywise directly, it's a fascinating look at how Android notifications can be pushed forward in an incredibly intelligent way - and worth the food to think about how much more Google can do to take Android notifications to the next level. To wit: Imagine this same type of system built into Android originally, with controls and shortcuts integrated directly into the notification panel. In my ideal scenario, it would be fleshed out even further into a full-fledged notification inbox - with an email-like archiving system that keeps alerts accessible and rediscoverable, if and whenever you want, and a snoozing system that also takes a signal from your Inbox and allows you to snooze notifications at certain days and times or even places in the future. There is no one who knows if or when any of it might actually happen - but hey, you never know (ahem part I, ahem part II). Meanwhile, Daywise is a wonderful way to experience a taste of a smarter smartphone setup - and on some level to get a glimpse of what the future of Android notifications should be. Hey, Google: Do you hear? Sign up for my weekly newsletter to get more practical tips, personalized recommendations and regular English perspective on the news that matters. [Android Intelligence videos on Computerworld] Copyright © 2019 IDG Communications, Inc. Inc.