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THE APP RAP

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App: GateGuru by GateGuru Inc.

For: iPhones and Android phones

Price: Free

With the arrival of summer, many of us will be spending some of our time in airports. Unfortunately, for many vacationers, the airport experience is the worst part of traveling. However, there is a handy little app called GateGuru that definitely helps in making the time spent in airports a little more bearable. For starters, once you enter your flight information directly into the app, GateGuru will keep you real-time informed on any delays, as well as security-line wait times. In addition, when you enter your airport location into the app, you are supplied with a wealth of information about the airport and what it has to offer. For example, you can sort by restaurants (and then types of foods), different shops (for example, book shops and gift shops) and services and ATM machine locations. Detailed maps are easy to navigate. Even more useful than just listing what food shops are available, GateGuru supplies the user with reviews from fellow travelers. This is most appreciated when searching for airport food. A really neat feature of this app is the ability to rent a car quickly through an exclusive partnership with Avis-Budget. GateGuru says that this allows them to offer the user discounts up to 35 percent compared with other leading travel sites. Since airport delays are an inevitable part of traveling, GateGuru is an app every traveler will find indispensable.

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