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What Accessories Do You Need for Your New Phone?

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So, you got that new phone everyone has been talking about—congratulations! But the tech shopping spree isn’t done yet. Now that you have that fancy new piece of tech, you’re going to want some cell phone accessories to enhance its use, protect it, and maybe even personalize it a little. Whether you’re choosing a fancy new phone case or picking up a pair of ear buds to take your audio experience next level, the right smartphone accessories can make a world of difference in your experience.

Wondering what every phone needs? Read on to find out.

A phone case

No matter how tempted you are to show off your phone, there’s no question that one of the most important cell phone accessories is a solid phone case. Not only will it help protect your tech from bumps and drops, but you can choose an option that reflects your unique sense of style. There are so many options to choose from, such as a [fancy sparkly phone case](#), a transparent phone case that shows off your phone color, a [silicone case that is soft to the touch](#) but still offers protection, or a [heavy duty case](#) that goes the extra mile in protection.

Of all the phone accessories you can invest in, a phone case may prove its worthiness as soon as you have a butterfingers moment. It’s a definite must have. Just make sure the case you choose fits with your phone.

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A screen protector

If a phone case is the number one needed mobile phone accessory, a screen protector is number two. Screen protectors help protect your screen. [Some are antimicrobial](#) like this one—which is a bonus for those germaphobes among us—while others offer privacy protection, so nosy people can’t sneak a peek at your screen from the side. Whichever kind of screen protector you choose, you’ll definitely want to make sure you get one that fits your phone.

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A car charger

If you don't have a car charger already, you might want to change that soon, so you can keep your phone juiced while you're on the road. This can be especially helpful if you rely on your phone's GPS for navigation.

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A pair of ear buds (or headphones)

For audiophiles, this is probably one of the most exciting cell phone accessories. The earphones that come with your phone are serviceable, but they might not replace the audio experience that come from a pair of headphones or ear buds you buy yourself. Depending on your needs, you could invest in a pair of over-the-ear headphones that have noise canceling capabilities or maybe try a pair of ear buds that use wireless technology. There are plenty of options out there.

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A dash mount

It may not be the most crucial of all the phone accessories you're considering, but a dash mount can come in handy. First things first: you should absolutely be keeping your eyes on the road. But if you use your phone's GPS system for navigating through town, or you need to keep an eye out for a call (that you should take on speakerphone), a dash mount is a great way to keep your phone within your eye-line without taking your attention off the road ahead.

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