

# Mobile App

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# How to Install on iOS

To install the Booktower PWA:

1. Open the Booktower website on your phone in Safari
2. Login
3. Click the "Share" button.
  - On the latest version of Safari, you need to click the three dots next to the URL then click "Share."
  - On older versions of Safari, the share button is located at the bottom center of the screen and looks like a box with an arrow.
4. Scroll down and click "Add to Home Screen"

Now you can use the app!

# How to install on Android

To install the Booktower PWA:

1. Open the Booktower website in Chrome on your Android device
2. Login
3. You *should* see a banner at the top of the site asking you if you'd like to install the app
4. **If not**, click the three dots, click "Add to Home Screen," then click "Install"

Now you can use the app!

# Why a PWA (Progressive Web App)?

We want to provide you with the best possible experience as you read your books, fan fictions, and web comics. To support this goal, we've chosen to develop Booktower as a Progressive Web App (PWA) rather than a traditional native app.

Here's why:

## **Greater Creative Freedom**

By choosing a PWA, we have greater freedom to build an application that has the features our users want and matches the style and tone that they're familiar with.

## **Unrestricted Content**

We believe our users should be free to express their interests and creativity. By choosing a PWA, we have fewer restrictions on our content which allows us to support a broader range of books, fan fictions, and web comics.

## **No Revenue Sharing**

When Booktower releases a premium subscription, we won't have to give 30% of the revenue to an app store. This allows us to keep our subscription affordable and also means that when you sign up for a premium subscription you're supporting us directly, not massive corporations.

## **Simplified Maintenance**

Booktower is run and funded by a small, passionate team. PWAs are easier and less costly to maintain when compared to native apps.

We hope that you'll enjoy the PWA experience. If you have any feedback, please let us know!