

Apps and Traps for August, 2017 by David Whitby

Humor

iOS

17 Best Widgets to Install on Your iPhone from idropnews

Widgets were first introduced in iOS 10 to allow users to quickly preview their favorite apps without actually launching them. Widgets can be accessed from the Lock screen, Home screen, Notification Center, and even from the 3D Touch shortcut menu of certain apps. You can check the current weather condition of your city, read the latest news, view upcoming events, and do other tasks from the Lock screen by making use of widgets. If you don't know how to add widgets, then read our guide

<https://www.idropnews.com/apps/17-best-widgets-install-iphone/44605/>

Seeing AI

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OSX

10 Great Ways Apple Improved Safari by Jonny Evans of [applemust.com](http://www.applemust.com)

Apple will introduce an updated Safari browser for Macs and iOS devices later this year. There are many improvements in this release, I covered [some of them here](#), and here's a few more most of us will use every day (some won't work on both platforms).

<http://www.applemust.com/10-great-ways-apple-improves-safari-this-year/>

Non Apple but interesting Tech

How to add Bluetooth to an old car if you want to listen to your own tunes while driving, here are four ways to add Bluetooth to any car. by Taylor Martin

Bluetooth is now a standard feature in practically every modern car. Like with Bluetooth headphones, a Bluetooth-enabled car lets you stream your own tunes or favorite podcasts on your daily commute without the hassle of CDs or the monthly cost of internet radio.

If you're driving an older car, however, you might not have the luxury of streaming over Bluetooth. The upshot is that the price of Bluetooth technology has come down and adding it to any car is affordable and painless.

Here are the most common ways to add Bluetooth to your daily driver.

<https://www.cnet.com/how-to/ways-to-add-bluetooth-to-an-old-car/>

Note: Show Video

5 Door Locks That Will Keep You Safe and 5 That Won't by Paul Hope

Most break-ins are committed by criminals who come right in through the front door, according to Department of Justice statistics. And even if you're diligent about always locking up, you need a good deadbolt to thwart thieves.

"The bolt portion of the lock, called the throw, isn't the part that fails to hold up in our tests," says test engineer Dave Trezza, who runs [Consumer Reports' lock testing](#). "It's other design flaws that allow burglars to break through a flimsy lock and gain entry."

Most locks use steel in the cylinder, which can be drilled open. The best locks use hardened steel or brass, and some reinforce the cylinder with hidden steel plates. You can still drill through a lock with these built-in enhancements, but it can make the process of drilling so slow that thieves give up and move on.

But the biggest design flaw that Trezza sees relates to the strike plate, the metal piece that holds the throw in a doorjamb when the door is locked. Too many locks come with short, 3/4-inch-long wood screws to secure the strike plate to the jamb. That makes it easy for someone to kick in the door until the screws tear out of the soft wood, allowing the intruder to gain entry.

After putting dozens of locks through a battery of tests, we've selected five of the best from our [door lock ratings](#)—as well as five you should skip.

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<https://www.consumerreports.org/door-locks/door-locks-that-keep-you-safe/>