



Katie Speaker

Getting Started Guide

A smart speaker that reads your notifications aloud.
Subscribe to the channels you care about and hear updates as they happen.

Create Account	Sign in at https://app.katiespeaker.com
Install App	Download the Android app (optional)
Set Up Device	Connect to WiFi and link to your account
Subscribe	Choose channels and start receiving updates

STEP 1

Create Your Account

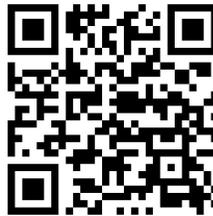
1. Visit app.katiespeaker.com in your browser.
2. Sign in with one of the available options: **Google**, **GitHub**, **Microsoft**, or **Apple**.
3. Your account is created automatically on first sign-in. You'll be taken to the **Devices & Subscriptions** page.

Tip: No separate registration step is needed — just sign in with your preferred provider and your account is ready.

STEP 2

Install the Android App (Optional)

If you'd like to manage Katie from your phone, install the Android app. Scan the QR code below with your phone's camera to download:



katiespeaker.com/KatieSpeaker.apk

1. Scan the QR code above, or visit the link on your Android phone.
2. When prompted, allow installation from unknown sources.
3. Open the app and sign in with the same account you created above.

The app makes it easy to link devices by scanning QR codes with your phone's camera.

Note: The app is currently available for Android only. You can always use the web app at app.katiespeaker.com from any device.

STEP 3

Set Up Your Katie Speaker

Power On

Plug in your Katie Speaker. It will boot to a splash screen showing connection progress.

Select Your Timezone

On first boot, you'll see a timezone selection screen. Tap your timezone (e.g., "Eastern Time") to continue.

Connect to WiFi

1. The device will show the **WiFi setup screen** with a list of nearby networks.
2. Tap your WiFi network name.
3. Enter your WiFi password using the on-screen keyboard. Use the eye icon to show or hide the password.
4. Tap **Connect**. The device will show "Connecting..." while it connects.

Tip: If your network doesn't appear, tap **Hidden network** to enter the name manually. Tap the refresh button to re-scan. Katie supports 2.4 GHz WiFi networks.

Link Your Device

Once connected to WiFi, the device will show the **Link Device** screen with a QR code and a device ID.

Using the Android app (easiest):

1. Open the Katie app on your phone.
2. Tap **Link a Device**.
3. Tap **Scan QR Code** and point your camera at the QR code on the device screen.
4. The device links automatically.

Using the web app:

1. Go to app.katiespeaker.com and sign in.
2. On the Devices & Subscriptions page, click **Link a Device**.
3. Type in the device ID shown on the device screen and click **Link**.

Once linked, the device will connect and show the main message screen. You're ready to go!

STEP 4

Subscribe to Channels

Your device needs channel subscriptions to receive messages.

1. On the **Devices & Subscriptions** page (web or app), tap your device to expand it.
2. Tap **Subscribe to Channel**.
3. Browse or search the list of available channels.
4. Tap a channel to subscribe. Some channels offer filters so you can choose which messages you receive.
5. Tap **Save** to confirm.

Your device will immediately start receiving messages from that channel.

Tip: You can subscribe to as many channels as you like. Each device can have its own set of subscriptions.

STEP 5

Using Your Katie Speaker

Messages

When a message arrives, Katie reads it aloud and displays it on the touchscreen. Messages from all your subscribed channels appear in a scrollable list. Tap any message to replay its audio.

Volume Controls

Use the controls at the bottom of the screen:

- **Volume down (-)** and **Volume up (+)** to adjust the volume.
- **Mute button** to silence audio. Messages will still appear on screen.

Settings

Tap the **gear icon** at the bottom-left of the screen to access settings:

- **Brightness** — Adjust the screen brightness.
 - **WiFi Network** — Change to a different WiFi network.
 - **Timezone** — Update your timezone.
 - **Firmware** — Check for and install software updates.
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STEP 6

Quiet Hours

You can set quiet hours so Katie won't read messages aloud during certain times (e.g., overnight).

1. Go to **Devices & Subscriptions** in the web app or Android app.
2. Tap the **gear icon** on your device card.
3. Set **Quiet Hours Start** (e.g., 22:00 for 10 PM) and **Quiet Hours End** (e.g., 07:00 for 7 AM).
4. Tap **Save**.

During quiet hours:

- Messages still appear on the screen.
- Audio is silenced.
- If you tap a message to replay it, audio will play (since you explicitly asked for it).

Leave both fields blank to disable quiet hours.

STEP 7

Firmware Updates

Katie periodically releases software updates with new features and improvements.

1. Tap the **gear icon** on the device to open Settings.
 2. Under **Firmware**, tap **Check** to see if an update is available.
 3. If an update is available, tap **Download**. You'll see a progress bar while it downloads.
 4. Once downloaded, tap **Install**. The device will restart and apply the update.
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STEP 8

Managing Your Devices

From the **Devices & Subscriptions** page, you can:

- **Rename a device** — Tap the gear icon, change the name, and save. Helpful if you have multiple Katies.
 - **View connection status** — Each device shows whether it's Connected, Disconnected, or Never Connected.
 - **Unlink a device** — Tap the gear icon, scroll down, and tap **Unlink Device**. The device will stop receiving messages.
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Troubleshooting

Device won't connect to WiFi

- Make sure you're entering the correct WiFi password.
- Move the device closer to your router.
- Tap **Change WiFi network** on the splash screen to try again.
- Katie supports 2.4 GHz WiFi networks. If your router has separate bands, use the 2.4 GHz one.

Device is stuck on "Connecting..."

- Check that your WiFi network has internet access.
- Power cycle the device by unplugging it and plugging it back in.

No audio

- Check the volume using the on-screen controls. Make sure it's not muted.
- Check if quiet hours are active.
- Try tapping a message to replay it.

Device shows "Link Device" screen

- The device isn't linked to an account yet. Follow the steps in Step 3.

Messages aren't arriving

- Make sure your device has active channel subscriptions.

- Check that the device shows "Connected" status in the web app.

Need Help?

Email: support@katiespeaker.com | Web: katiespeaker.com/contact