

# Setting up 2FA: Google Authenticator



By Nat Cole

BTC BROS





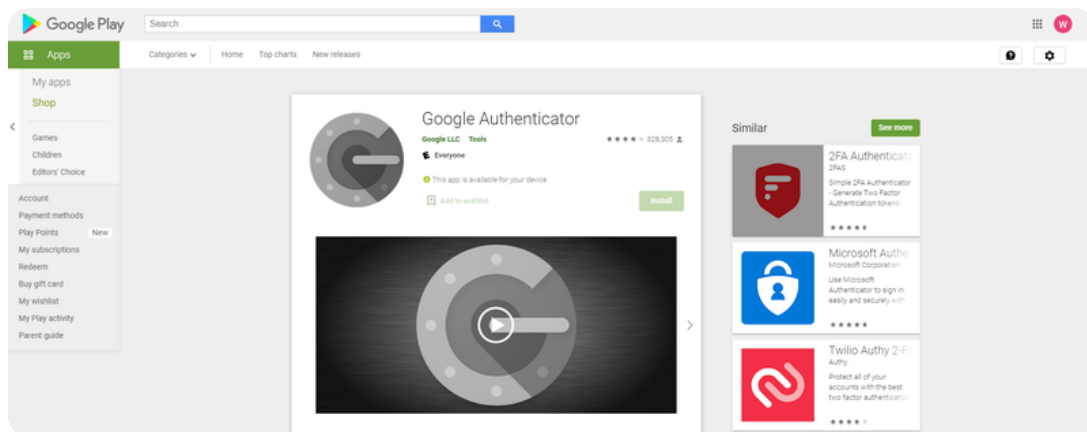
## Step 1

# Download the Google Authenticator application

You can download the application directly from searching the Google Play store, or using this link:

[https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.google.android.apps.authenticator2&hl=en_GB&gl=US)

[id=com.google.android.apps.authenticator2&hl=en\\_GB&gl=US](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.google.android.apps.authenticator2&hl=en_GB&gl=US)






## Step 2

# Turn on Google 2-Step Verification (Optional)


Before setting up Google 2FA for the first time, it is recommended that you first enable 2 step verification on your Google/Gmail account.

This step is needed to ensure the correct link between your app and your account, but is purely optional, so you don't need a Gmail or anything.




### Protect your account with 2-Step Verification

Each time you sign in to your Google Account, you'll need your password and a verification code.  
[Learn more](#)



#### Add an extra layer of security

Enter your password and a unique verification code that's sent to your phone.



#### Keep the bad guys out

Even if someone else gets your password, it won't be enough to sign in to your account.

[GET STARTED](#)



## Step 3

# Configure your app

Once you download and open the Google Authenticator app, you will see the screen below. Just follow the instructions and hey presto! your application is set up.



## Set up Authenticator

- Get the Authenticator App from the [Play Store](#).
- In the App select **Set up account**.
- Choose **Scan a barcode**.



[CAN'T SCAN IT?](#)

[CANCEL](#)

[NEXT](#)



## Step 4

---

# Backup your app!

Before you scan or generate any authentication codes, Google Authenticator will ask you to save your recovery code.

This is HIGHLY IMPORTANT, as not having this will mean that you cannot recover your 2FA application and will probably be locked out of everything you used it with.

You can also save/access backup code directly from your Google accounts settings.

**REMINDER: Only you can see these codes, so X service will NOT be able to recover your account for you. You may have to provide additional data and proofs to any company attempting to help you in such a situation.**

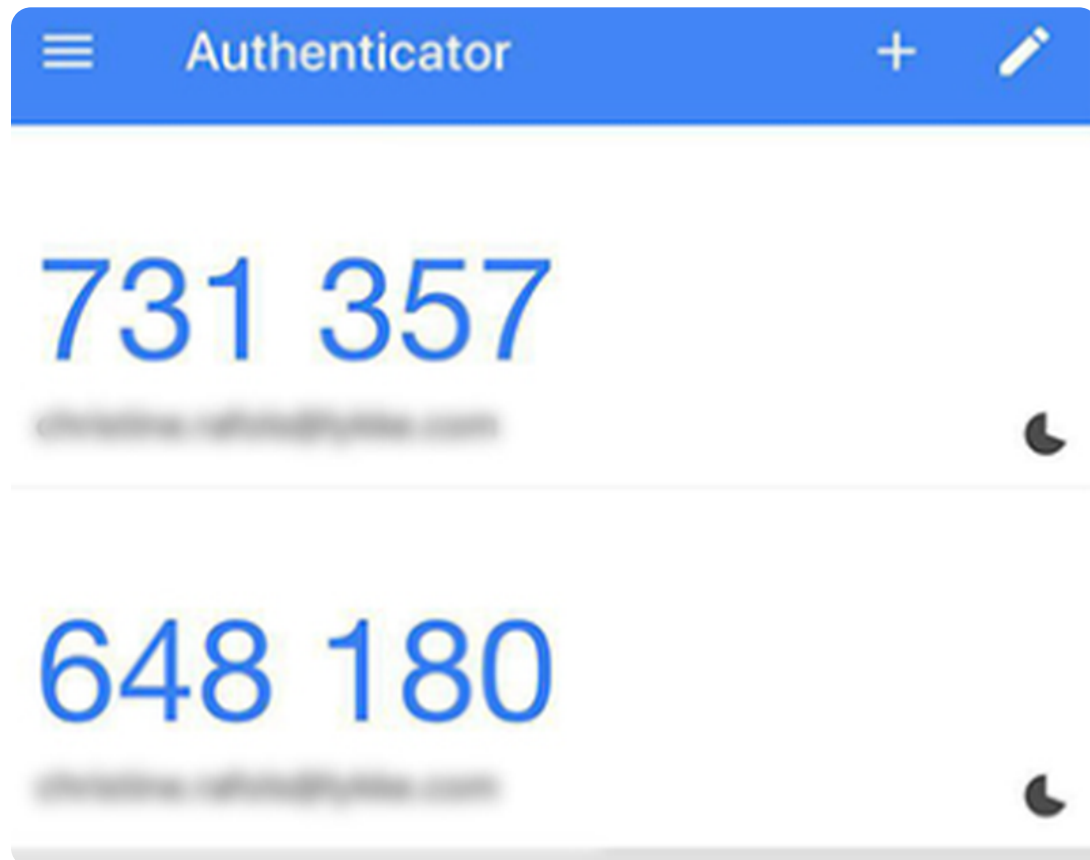


## Step 5

# Back to site!

Now you can go back to whichever site is asking you to set up 2FA and also generate codes for new accounts that you set up, which support 2FA. Again, just select 2FA setup and scan the code. It's that easy!

2FA codes are regenerated every 60 seconds in the app automatically, so be quick when you are prompted to enter one.





By Nat Cole  
BTC BROS

# Get 100's of Cryptocurrency guides to help your learning, or to Share with your Friends & Family.

Inspire yourself with easy to understand  
Blockchain and Cryptocurrency resources. Our  
Website and services include 100's of PDF's about  
Bitcoin, Blockchain and related Emerging  
Technologies.

**GET MORE GUIDES >>**

Attract'

Created with Growth Tools in Partnership with Leadpages