

# Google updates Maps, Search and Assistant so you can order food without app

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Google just made ordering pizza, pad thai and fried chicken from your favorite restaurants even easier.

The search giant announced on Thursday that it updated apps like Google Maps, Google Search and the Google Assistant to make ordering food online more convenient, so you don't have to download as many third-party apps.

"When I was pregnant with my son last year, my cravings were completely overpowering," said Google's senior product manager of food ordering, Anantica Singh, in a blog post.

"Lucky for me, I didn't have to jump into the car and go to my favorite restaurants to get my fill. Ever since then, I've counted myself as one of the millions of people who regularly order food for [home delivery](#)."

So far, Google has partnered with Delivery.com, Postmates, DoorDash, Slice and ChowNow, and more delivery vendors are on the way.

How does the new takeout feature work?

On Maps or Search, when you type in a participating restaurant you'll see an "Order Online" option that will walk you through selecting menu items. You'll see delivery or pickup options and have the option to check out using Google Pay.

Your search results can also show you restaurants that are available from multiple delivery services.

As for the Assistant, just say "Hey Google, order food from (insert restaurant.)" Over time, as your assistant gets to know your favorite meal, you order your go-to dish by saying "reorder food from (insert restaurant.)"

You can use each of the services immediately, just in time for your Memorial Day house party.

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