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[HTC's Android to Come with a "Google App Store"](#)

Android Marketplace might be very similar to Apple's App Store

Not long after the real form factor of T-Mobile USA's upcoming HTC Dream (or G1) has been [unveiled](#), an almost complete list with its specs has also showed up on the Web, allowing us to get a better picture of what the first Google-branded mobile device is capable of. Although the Dream doesn't seem to be as advanced as, let's say, Samsung Omnia, it might still be one of the major mobile hits of this year. A very interesting aspect about the Dream / G1 is that, according to [Androidguys](#), it will have an Android Marketplace. This should provide access to an online portal, from where users can download applications, games and so on - much like the App Store for which Apple's iPhones and iPods are famous. There is no word yet on whether the Android Marketplace will include only free content or shareware applications also. However, since the Android OS itself is open source, everything else should be free - but the "marketplace" name doesn't really confirm this. The full list of specs that the Android handset should come with includes: - 117 x 55 x 16 millimeters (4.6 x 2.16 x 0.63 inches) and 159 grams (5.6 ounces); - arc-slider design - although it's not clear how this actually works; - quad-band GSM connectivity (850 / 900 / 1800 / 1900) as well as HSDPA; - a 528Mhz Qualcomm 7201 CPU; - 64MB of RAM and 128MB of ROM; - 1GB memory card; - 3.17 TFT touchscreen display with 480 x 320 pixels; - built-in compass and Google Streetview; - Wi-Fi; - 5-row full QWERTY keypad and trackball navigation; - full HTML browser and YouTube dedicated player; - email (Gmail, AOL, POP, IMAP, SMTP); - Instant Messaging (Gtalk, Yahoo, AIM and MSN); - SMS, MMS; - Video player (H.264, MPEG4, 3GP, 3GPP); - Music player (MP3, WAV, WMA, AAC, AAC, MIDI, OGG, RA); - Bluetooth; - a 3.1 Megapixel camera with dedicated key but no flash and probably no auto focus either; - USB and Google Sync; - 1150 mAh battery. Internal GPS and a front-facing camera (for video calls) are currently not in the cards, but... there is hope. Anyway, users should not forget that none of the above mentioned specs and details are officially confirmed, so the real HTC Dream / G1 might actually not have them (or it might come with others, unknown for the moment). In the end, we still have to wait for an official presentation of the handset, which might [come in September](#).