Listig

Shopping lists for iPhone & Apple Watch – sorted by your route through the store, shared with your family, ticked off with a single tap.

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WELCOME

Listig at a glance

Listig replaces the paper shopping list. Create as many lists as you need, sort items by category and tick them off in the store with a single tap. Import recipes from a link, give every shop its own route, and share lists with your family via iCloud.

🛒 Multiple lists
Weekly shop, pharmacy, barbecue – every list with its own symbol.

👆 One tap is enough
Tap an item to move it to “Bought” – and back again.

🗂️ By category
Sorted in the order of your supermarket – or simply alphabetically.

✨ Thinks along
Listig suggests the right category as you type and remembers your choice.

🍝 Recipes from a link
Import ingredients with quantities, scale the servings.

🏪 Shops
Every store with its own route – the list sorts itself to match.

👨‍👩‍👧 Share with family
One list for everyone – what one person ticks off is ticked off for all.

⌚ Apple Watch
Tick off on your wrist, your iPhone stays in your pocket.

🎙️ Voice, templates, reminders
Say “milk, eggs and bread”, weekly shop with one tap, a reminder before you go.

🔒 Private
No account, no ads, no tracking. Your data stays in your iCloud.

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CHAPTER 1

Getting started

1. **Requirements:** iPhone with iOS 17 or later; for the watch, watchOS 10 or later. To sync between devices, sign in to iCloud with the same Apple ID on all of them.
2. **Open the app:** On first launch Listig shows a short guide and automatically creates 13 categories – from “Fruit & Vegetables” to “Pet Supplies”. You can change them any time.
3. **Language:** Listig follows your iPhone's language. Under **About Listig** → **Sprache · Language** you can choose English or German directly.
4. **Create your first list:** Tap **New list** or `+` at the top right.

> **Guide inside the app:** You'll always find the short guide in the list overview under the **question mark** at the top left. If Listig already runs on another device, wait a few seconds after the first launch – your lists and categories then appear automatically from iCloud.

CHAPTER 2

Creating and managing lists

The start screen shows all your lists. Below each name you see how many items are still open and how many are already bought; the number of open items is on the right.

New list

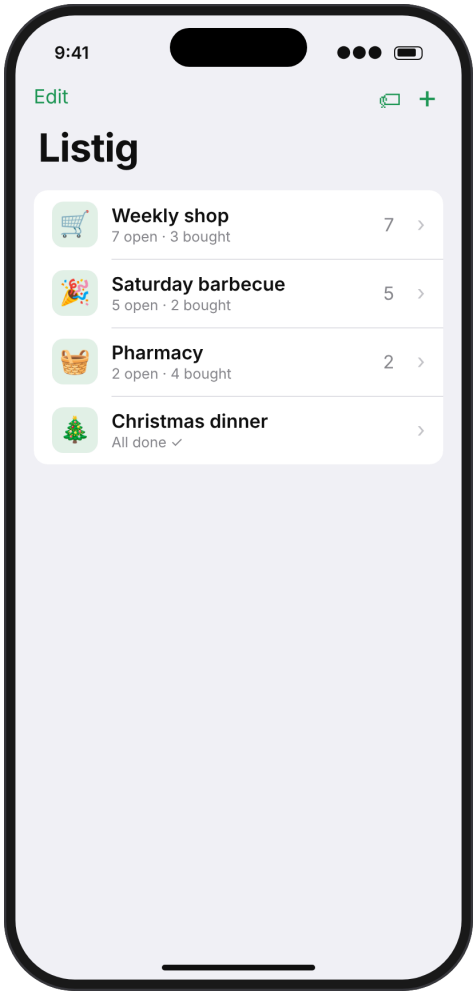
Tap `+`, enter a name (e.g. “Weekly shop”) and choose a symbol. **Create** makes the list and opens it right away.

Edit and delete

- **Swipe left** to show *Edit* and *Delete*.
- **Touch and hold** opens the same as a menu.
- Deleting a list also deletes all its items – on all devices. Listig asks first.

Change the order

Tap **Edit** at the top left and drag the lists by their handles into the order you want.



The list overview

CHAPTER 3

Adding items

The input bar is at the bottom of every list.

1. Tap the **Add item** field and type the name, e.g. “Bananas”.
2. The symbol on the left shows the **category**. Listig suggests it automatically – marked with a small ✨. Tap the symbol to choose a different one.
3. Press **Done** on the keyboard or the green + button. The keyboard stays open so you can type the next item straight away.

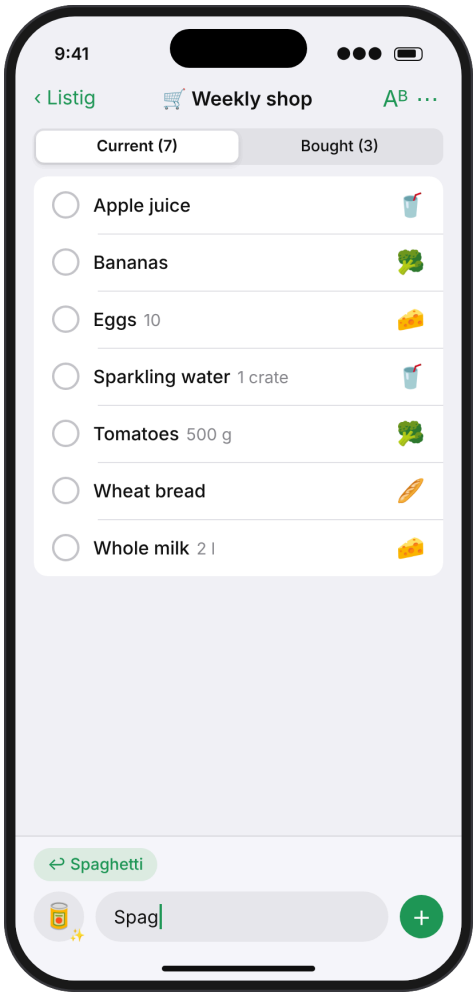
How Listig thinks along

- **Remembers your choice:** Once you've filed “oat milk” under “Drinks”, it ends up there again next time.
- **Understands phrases:** “apple juice” is recognised as a drink, not as fruit; “ice cream” goes to “Frozen”. Listig knows English and German item names.
- **No duplicates:** If an item is already on the list, no second one is created. If it's under “Bought”, Listig brings it back to “Current”.
- **Quick to bring back:** As you type, items you've already bought appear as green suggestions above the input field. One tap is enough.

🎙️ By voice

When the input field is empty, a **microphone** appears on the right. Tap it and speak, e.g. “milk, eggs and bread”. Listig shows the recognised text, splits it into separate items and gives each the right category. You can still correct it before adding. The first time, iOS asks for permission to use the microphone and speech recognition.

> **Tip:** Enter quantity and note (e.g. “500 g”, “organic”) via *Edit item* – see chapter 6. You can paste a **recipe link** straight into the input field – see chapter 10.

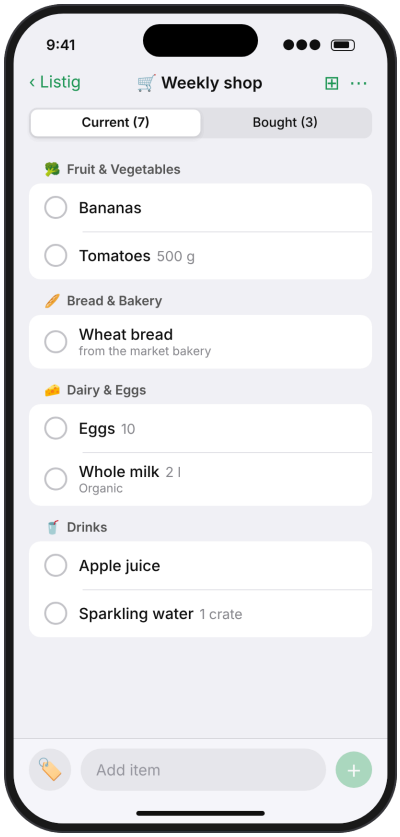


Suggestion “Spaghetti” from “Bought”, category detected automatically

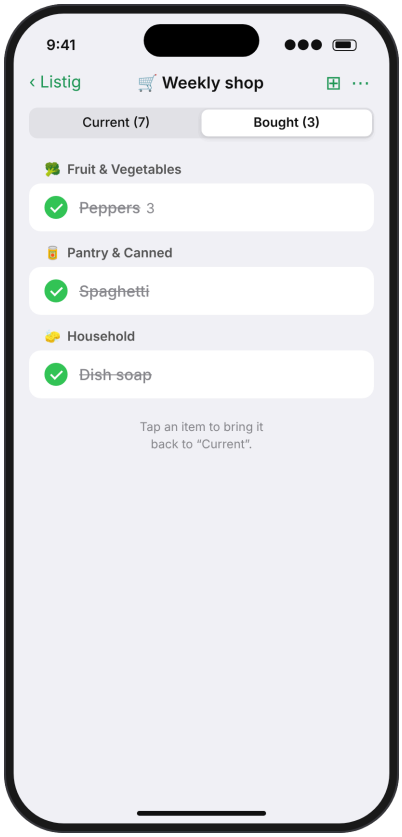
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Shopping: Current and Bought

Every list has two tabs at the top. The number in brackets shows how many items each contains.



"Current" – what you still need



"Bought" – what's already in the trolley

You tap …	What happens
an item in **Current**	It gets a green tick and moves to **Bought**.
an item in **Bought**	It moves back to **Current** – handy if you tapped by mistake or need it again next week.

The whole list at once

The ⋯ menu at the top right offers, depending on the tab:

- **Current:** "Mark all as bought" and "Delete all current"
- **Bought:** "All back to Current" and "Delete all bought"

> **Recurring shops:** Don't delete bought items – leave them under "Bought". Next time you bring them back with a tap, and your regular list builds itself.

CHAPTER 5

Sorting

Every list can be sorted in two ways. Switch with the button to the left of ⋯ or in the menu under **Sorting**. The setting applies to that list and syncs with your other devices. The order of the categories is set by the chosen shop (chapter 8).

Sorting	What the list looks like
⊞ By category	Items are grouped under headings – in the order you set in category management. Alphabetical within a category. Items without a category are listed at the end under “No category”.
A–Z Alphabetical	One continuous list without groups, from A to Z. The category symbol is shown to the right of each item.

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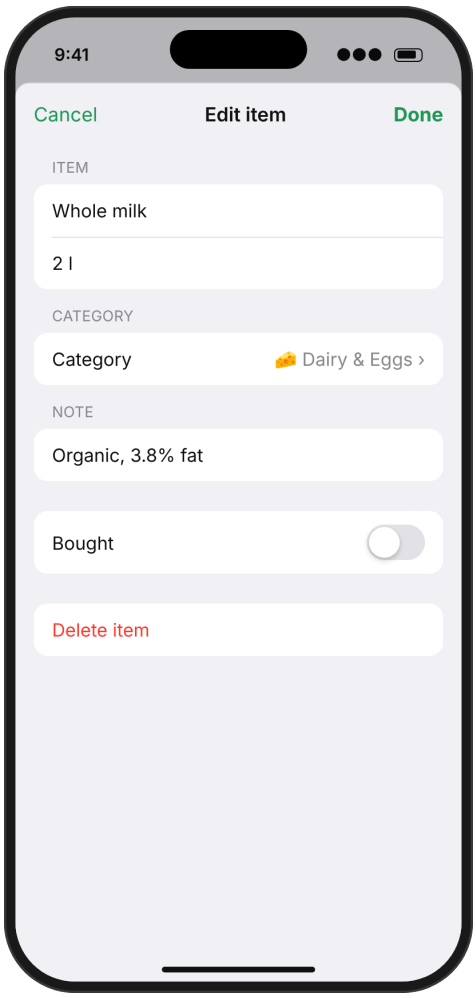
Editing and deleting items

- **Swipe right** → *Edit*
- **Swipe left** → *Delete* (a full swipe deletes immediately)
- **Touch and hold** → menu with tick off, edit and delete

In the edit window you can change:

- **Name** and **quantity** (free text, e.g. “2 l”, “1 crate”, “500 g”)
- **Category** – or “No category”
- **Note**, e.g. brand, “organic” or “only if on offer”
- **Bought** on or off

Done saves, **Cancel** leaves everything as it was. At the very bottom you can delete the item.



Edit item

CHAPTER 7

Managing categories

Categories apply to all your lists. Open them on the start screen via **Manage** (slider symbol at the top right) → **Categories**, or in a list via ··· → **Manage categories**.

New category

Tap +, enter a name and pick a symbol. Under “Custom emoji” you can enter any emoji you like. Names must be unique.

Edit

Tap a category to change its name or symbol. The number on the right shows how many items belong to it.

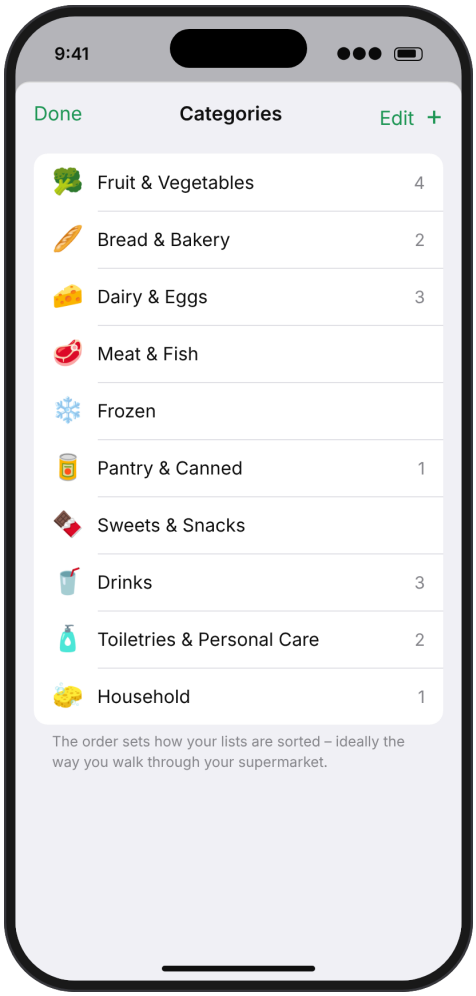
Default order

Tap **Edit** and drag the categories by their handles into the order you want. It applies to all lists without a shop. For individual stores you set up your own order – see chapter 8.

Delete

Swipe left → *Delete*. The items are kept and then appear under “No category”.

> **Restore default categories:** “Add missing default categories” at the bottom of category management recreates deleted default categories. Your own stay unchanged. After switching the language, **About Listig → Rename default categories to this language** translates their names.



Category management

CHAPTER 8

Shops and routes

In one store the bakery is at the entrance, in another it's the vegetables. With shops, every store gets its own order.

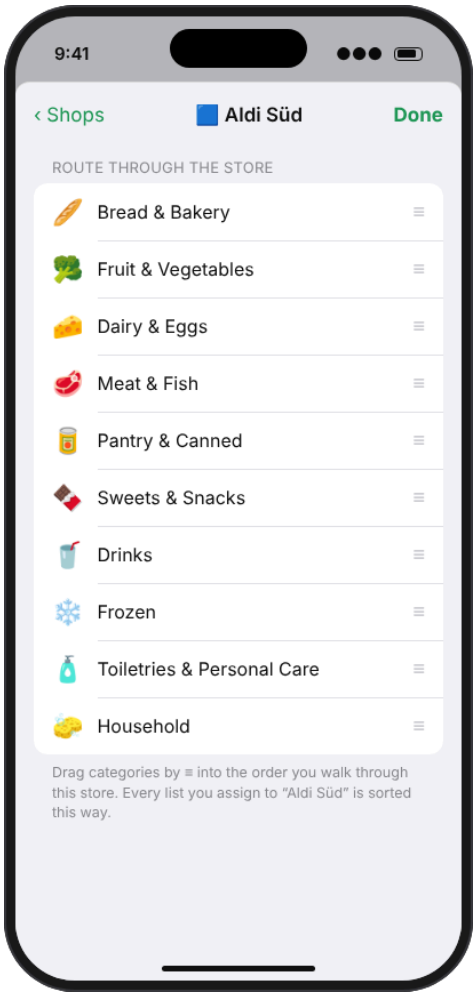
Add a shop

1. Start screen → **Manage** → **Shops** (or in a list ⋯ → **Manage shops**).
2. **Add shop**, choose a name and symbol, e.g. “Aldi”.
3. Under **Order of categories**, drag the categories by their ≡ handles into the order in which you walk through this store.

Choose a shop for a list

Tap **Shop** at the top of the list and pick the store. The list re-sorts immediately – on your Apple Watch too. “Default order” returns to the order from category management.

> **New categories** that haven't been placed in a shop yet appear at the end. You can move them into place any time.

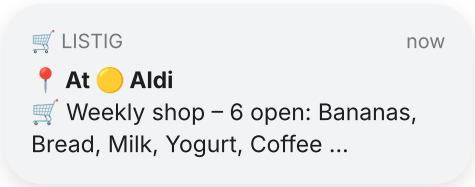


Setting the route for a shop

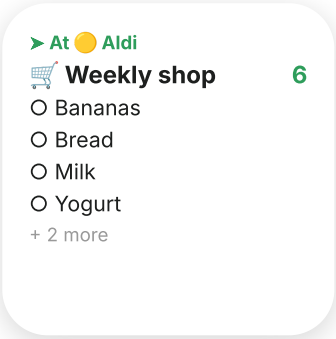
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At the shop

Add a location to a shop – and Listig has the right list ready as soon as you walk in.



Notification on arrival



"Listig – At the Shop" widget

Set the location

1. Start screen → **Manage** → **Shops** → tap a shop.
2. Under **Location**, tap **Set location**.
3. Easiest in the store: **Use current location** – or search: the shop's name is already filled in, and nearby branches appear with their distance.
4. Choose a **radius** (100–500 m) and leave **Show list on arrival** switched on.

What happens when you arrive

- A **notification** names the list and the open items – one tap opens it.
- The **"Listig – At the Shop" widget** on your Home and Lock Screen shows the list and moves up in the Smart Stack.
- Your **Apple Watch** shows the list in the Smart Stack and opens it directly when you start Listig.

Listig shows the list assigned to this shop (if there are several, the one with the most open items). If no list is linked to the shop, Listig takes the fullest list without a fixed shop.

> **Important:** To make it work while the app is closed, set Settings › Listig › Location to **Always**. Listig doesn't track your location constantly – iOS only reports arriving and leaving. Your location never leaves your device.

Add the widget

Touch and hold the Home Screen → `+` → **Listig**. Without a chosen list, the widget works automatically; with a chosen list it always shows that one.

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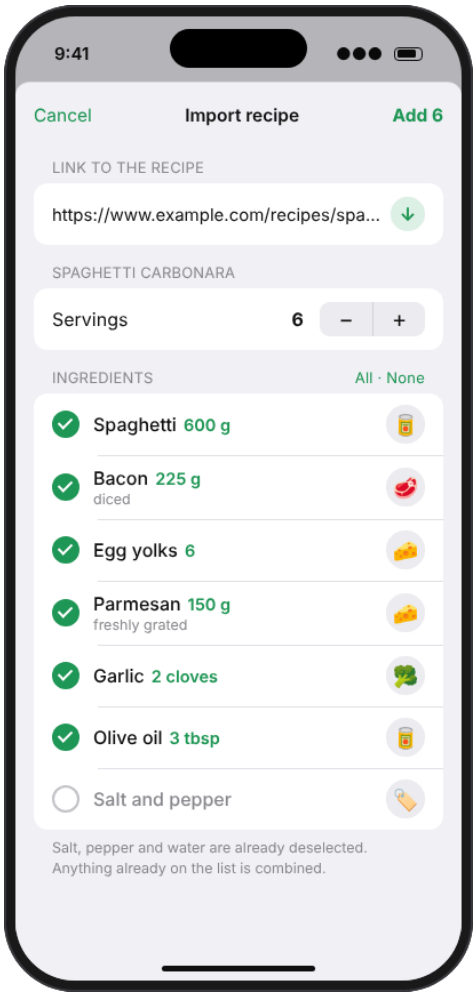
Importing recipes

Found a recipe online? With a link, all ingredients and quantities land on your list.

1. Open the recipe in Safari and copy its address (**Share** → **Copy**).
2. Paste the link in Listig **straight into the "Add item" field** – or choose ··· → **Import recipe …** and paste it there.
3. Listig loads the recipe and shows all ingredients. Set the **servings** – the quantities are converted (400 g for four becomes 600 g for six).
4. Tap off the ingredients you already have. **Salt, pepper and water** are already deselected. Use the symbol on the right to change the category.
5. Tap **"Add …"**.

Good to know

- If an ingredient is already on the list, the quantities are **added up** (100 g + 225 g bacon = 325 g).
- New items get the note "Recipe: …" – so you know in the store what they're for.
- Works with most recipe sites in English and German (e.g. BBC Good Food, Allrecipes, Kitchen Stories, Chefkoch) and understands units like cups, tbsp, tsp, oz and lb. If Listig finds no recipe, the app tells you.



Recipe with servings and ingredients

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Templates and shopping dates

📋 Templates

For shops that keep coming back – weekly shop, breakfast, barbecue night.

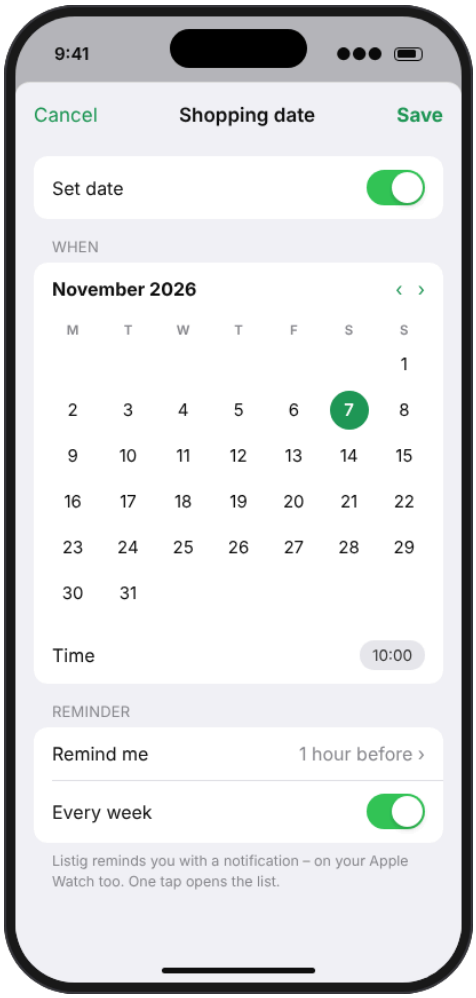
- **From a list:** ··· → **Save as template** takes over all items with quantity and category.
- **Create new:** Start screen → **Manage** → **Templates** → **Create template**.
- **Insert:** ··· → **Insert template**. If the list is empty, the templates are shown right there as buttons.
- Items already on the list are not added twice.

🔔 Shopping date

1. Tap **Date** at the top of the list.
2. Choose day and time, plus the **reminder**: at the time, 15 minutes to 2 hours before, or the day before.
3. Switch on **Repeat every week** if you like – ideal for the weekly shop.

Listig reminds you with a notification, on your Apple Watch too. Tapping it opens the list. The date is shown at the top of the list and in the overview; once it has passed, it turns red. **Test notification** sends a sample right away.

> **Allow notifications:** With your first date, iOS asks for permission. If you declined: Settings → Notifications → Listig.



Shopping date with reminder

CHAPTER 12

iCloud and family sharing

☁️ Sync your devices

Listig stores your lists in your private iCloud. Every iPhone with your Apple ID shows the same lists – no account, no servers of ours.

1. On each device, sign in under **Settings → [your name] → iCloud** with the same Apple ID.
2. If Listig is listed among the apps using iCloud, its switch must be on.
3. Install Listig on all devices – there's nothing else to set up in the app.

👨‍👩‍👧 Share a list with others

Shared lists for the household: what one person adds or ticks off, everyone sees – usually within seconds.

1. Open the list and tap **Share** at the top (or ··· → **Share with family …**).
2. In Apple's sharing window, choose how to invite: Messages, Mail or copy link.
3. The invited person taps the link – Listig opens and the list appears with “Shared by …”.

Shared	Personal (for each person)
Name and symbol of the list, all items with quantity, note, category and “bought”	Chosen shop, shopping date and reminder, order of categories

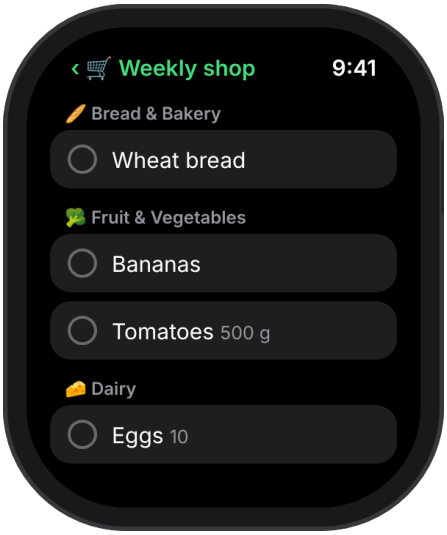
- **Manage:** Tap **Shared** to reopen the sharing window – see who's in, remove people or stop sharing.
- **Sharing stopped or list deleted?** The others keep their own copy. Deleting a shared list only means leaving it.
- Different languages are no problem: “Getränke” on one iPhone matches “Drinks” on another. If a category is missing, Listig creates it.

> **Requirement:** Everyone has Listig installed – thanks to Family Sharing without buying it again – and is signed in to iCloud. To send a list as plain text, use ··· → **Send as text**.

CHAPTER 13

Apple Watch

In the store your iPhone stays in your pocket – you tick off on your wrist.



A list on Apple Watch

Install

The watch app comes with Listig. If it doesn't appear automatically: open the Watch app on your iPhone → **Available Apps** → **Install** Listig. Then open Listig once on your iPhone so your lists are transferred.

Use

- Open Listig on the watch and choose a list.
- Tap an item to tick it off.
- Bought items are at the bottom under **Bought** – expand and tap to bring them back.
- Sorting matches the iPhone – including the route of the chosen shop. The watch uses the language you chose on the iPhone.

> **Deliberately simple:** On the watch you only tick off. Add items on your iPhone – it's much quicker there by keyboard, voice or recipe link.

The watch remembers the latest state and works even when the iPhone is out of reach. Ticked-off items are sent later.

Complication on the watch face

Listig shows on the watch face how many items are still open – round with the count, rectangular with the list name and next items, as a text line or in the corner.

1. Touch and hold the watch face → **Edit** → swipe to **Complications**.
2. Tap a slot and choose **Listig** – then **All lists** or a specific list.

Tapping the complication opens Listig. At the shop, the **Listig – At the Shop** widget shows the right list in the Smart Stack (chapter 9).

CHAPTER 14

Frequently asked questions

What does Listig cost?

Listig is a one-time purchase – no subscription, no ads and no in-app purchases. All updates are included. With Apple's Family Sharing, up to five other family members can use Listig without buying it again.

Do I need an account?

No. Listig only uses your existing Apple ID for iCloud. The app also works without iCloud – then just on one device.

How do I switch between English and German?

About Listig (ⓘ in the list overview) → **Sprache · Language**: System, Deutsch or English. Listig switches immediately; widgets and Apple Watch follow.

My lists don't appear on my other device.

Check that both devices are signed in to iCloud with the same Apple ID, that Listig may use iCloud and that you're online. Open Listig on both devices and wait a moment. If that doesn't help, restart the app once.

Listig suggested the wrong category.

Tap the category symbol before adding and choose the right one – or change it later via *Edit*. Listig remembers your choice for next time.

The invitation to a shared list doesn't arrive.

The invited person needs Listig on their device and must be signed in to iCloud. Best open the link on the iPhone, not on a computer.

A recipe isn't recognised.

Listig reads the recipe data that recipe sites provide for search engines. If it's missing, the app finds nothing – then enter the ingredients by hand.

What data does Listig collect?

None. There's no tracking and no analytics. Your lists are stored only on your devices and in your iCloud. Shared lists are visible only to the people you invite – we have no access.



Questions, wishes, found a bug?

We're happy to hear from you – contact via www.needfulthingx.de/impressum.html.

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