# TRULINK<sup>a</sup> Hearing Control App User Guide











# Introduction to Audibel's Smart Hearing Aids

Listed below are Audibel's smartphone compatible hearing aids that work with the TruLink Hearing Control app:



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### Apple

Apple's operating system (iOS) is responsible for managing the connectivity between your Apple device(s) and smartphone compatible hearing aids. The TruLink app is a supplement to your hearing devices and offers a variety of enhanced adjustment capabilities. The TruLink app relies on iOS connecting to your hearing aid(s) in order to communicate.

iOS UPDATE NOTE: When updating the version of iOS on your iPhone, the hearing aids may lose connection, requiring you to unpair and re-pair the hearing aids with your iPhone.

### Android

We are constantly evaluating Android products and their compatibility with our hearing aids. Due to the complex nature of the Android platform and many different types of products utilizing this platform, we test each product separately and will continuously provide compatibility information as we complete our rigorous testing. Streaming is not yet available for Android devices. However, Android users can experience several benefits with A4i iQ, A4i or A3i and TruLink including:

- Volume Control
- Automatic and Custom Memories
- SoundSpace
- · Noise Manager
- Tinnitus Management
- · Find My Hearing Aids
- Comfort Boost

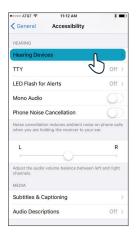
For the most up-to-date compatibility information, visit TruLinkHearing.com



# Connectivity for Apple Devices

In order to use the TruLink Hearing Control app, you must first pair your hearing aids with your iOS device.

- Ensure Bluetooth<sup>®</sup> is enabled on your iOS device. Within the Settings menu go to Bluetooth and toggle to On.
- Within the Settings menu go to General > Accessibility > MFi Hearing Aids.
- While the iOS device searches for the devices, open and close the battery door on your hearing aids. This puts the hearing aids in pairing mode.
  - You will see your hearing aid name (e.g. "Chris Hearing Aids") when the iOS device first discovers your hearing aids.
  - If your name does not appear in the "Devices" list within 5-7 seconds, tap Accessibility in the upper left corner, then tap Hearing Devices.





- Tap on the hearing aid name to connect your hearing aids to the iOS device
- You will see two pairing requests (one for each hearing aid).
   Select *Pair* for each request. These requests may be several seconds apart.
- When pairing is complete, your hearing aid name will change from black to blue and a checkmark will appear to the left.





### Re-connecting your hearing aids to your Apple Device

When you turn off your hearing aids or Apple device, they will no longer be connected to one another. To re-connect, turn on your Apple device and then turn on your hearing aids by opening and closing the battery door.

The hearing aids will automatically connect to your Apple device. You can also verify this connection by accessing the Accessibility shortcut (triple click the Home button) and making sure that your hearing aids have been detected.

### General

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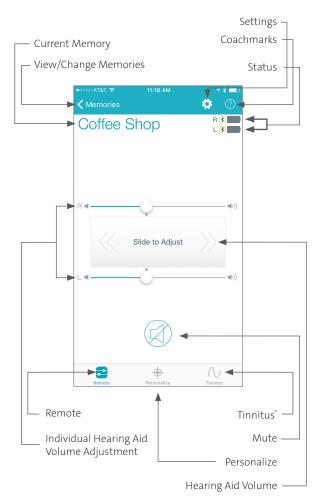






TruLink offers a widget that is available in the iOS Notification Center. The TruLink widget allows for quick access to increase or decrease hearing aid volume, mute the hearing aid(s) or launch the TruLink app. Widgets can be accessed by swiping down from the top of your screen at any time. Widgets are added to the Notification Center by swiping down to view Notification Center and tapping Edit. From there you can choose app widgets to add or remove.





### Status

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### Hearing Aid Volume

Increase/decrease the volume level on your hearing aid(s) by dragging the volume slider for each side or by sliding your finger on the slidepad (between the left and right volume sliders) to adjust both sides simultaneously. Double-tap anywhere on the slidepad to return your volume to the default setting that was set by your clinician.

# Memory

The current memory is displayed at the top left of the screen. To change Memories, tap on the memory name or the *Memories* label to see all available options.

### Mute

Tap on the *Mute* button to mute the microphones on both hearing aids. Tap again on the *Mute* button to unmute the hearing aids and return to the volume prior to muting.





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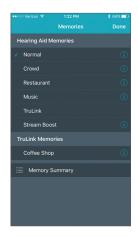


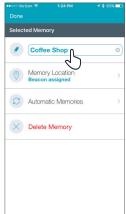
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### Memory Name

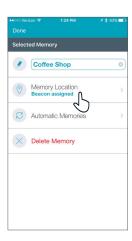
From this field you can edit the name of any TruLink custom memory that you've created.





### **Memory Location**

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### Geotags

Geotags allow you to assign a specific location to a custom memory so that any time you enter that location, TruLink will automatically change the hearing aid setting to the memory you've assigned to that location

Tapping *Memory Location* launches into map view by default and your current location will be represented by a blue dot in the center of the map.



### **Automatic Memories**

The automatic memories section allows you to select the current memory to be used for phone calls, audio streaming or when traveling in a car. The current memory in use is displayed at the top of the screen. In each section, the currently selected memory will be shown to the right of the section label. Example: Phone – (Current: Stream Boost).



Tapping the *geotag pin icon* in the bottom right or tapping and holding on the screen will add a geotag to your custom memory.

The icons in the lower left corner allow you to change the map view or to center the pin on your location.



To select the current memory to be used for phone or audio, tap on the *Set* button and then choose the hearing aid microphone reduction setting to be used when in phone call or streaming audio. Options are *No change*, *Decrease* or *Mute*.





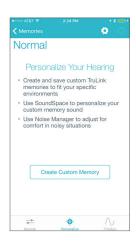
To set the current memory to automatically engage when traveling in a car, tap *On for this memory* button.

Tapping *Cancel* on top left of the screen will ignore all changes made and return to the memory hub. Tapping *Save* on the top right of the screen will keep all changes and return to the memory hub.



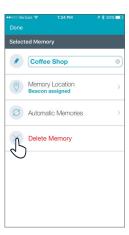
### Personalize Screen

Personalize lets you create and save custom TruLink memories.
There are two tools under Personalize;
SoundSpace and Noise Manager. Use
SoundSpace to personalize your custom memory sound and use Noise Manager to adjust for comfort in noisy situations.



### Delete

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### SoundSpace

SoundSpace allows you to turn your iOS device into a personal settings adjustment tool for your hearing aid(s). It provides you the ability to modify the response for any of your custom TruLink memories to better suit a particular environment.





Once you've found a spot that you like for the current listening environment, tap **Done**. Follow the prompts to save this as a new memory.

To exit SoundSpace without saving a memory, just tap Cancel.



### Noise Manager

Noise Manager allows you to adjust the settings and microphone direction for multiple noise types in order to manage sound clarity and comfort. The Noise Manager features include directional, wind, crowd and noise. The settings available will be dependent on your hearing aid model.









### Tinnitus Screen

### Tinnitus Stimulus Adjustments

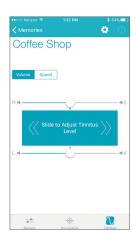
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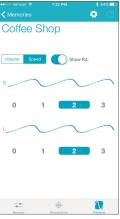
### Volume

Increase/decrease the tinnitus stimulus level on your hearing aid(s) by moving the tinnitus slider for each side or by sliding your finger in the slide pad (located between the left and right volume sliders) to adjust both sides simultaneously.

### Speed

You can adjust the rate at which the tinnitus sound varies as it plays. Options are 0 (no variation), 1 (slow), 2 (medium), and 3 (fast).







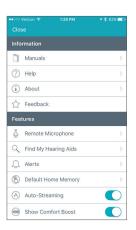
# TruLink Settings

Accessed by tapping on the gear-shaped icon at the top of the screen, TruLink Settings provides a variety of options, some of which are only visible with certain hearing aid models.

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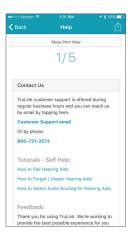
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### Help

Provides you with specific troubleshooting instruction steps. The troubleshooting tips are web-based and updated as needed



### About

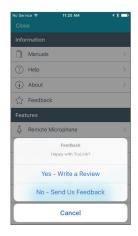
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# TRULINK

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### **Features**

### Remote Microphone

Enables you to use your iOS device as an extra microphone for receiving, recording, saving and delivering audio directly to your hearing aid(s).

To turn the remote microphone on/off, tap the *Power* button on the Remote Microphone screen. This will start/stop streaming of audio from the iOS device microphones to your hearing aid(s).



If the iOS device is already streaming audio and you turn on the remote microphone, the current audio will stop streaming.

When the remote microphone is on, blue-colored sound wave images will appear, indicating the input to the iOS device microphone is being sent to the hearing aid(s).

### Record

The remote microphone can record and save audio picked up by your iOS device. Simply tap on the *Record* button and all audio collected by your iOS device will be recorded until the *Record* button is tapped again.

At that point, you will be prompted to name your recording.







You can listen to a saved recording by tapping on the *List* icon to review and select a recording for playback.

From the list view, you can email the recording by tapping on the *Email* icon. You can delete a recording by swiping it from right to left and tapping on the *Delete* button that appears.



If your hearing aid(s) is close enough to the phone to be detected, tap on the *Search* button and you'll see a gauge indicating how close or far away your phone is from your hearing aid(s). [Note: The battery must be in the hearing aid(s).]



### Find My Hearing Aids

The Find My Hearing Aids feature allows you to see the last known geographic location of your hearing aid(s) on a map.

When Find My Hearing Aids is launched, you will be presented with a map view and an icon indicating the location where your hearing aid(s) was last connected.



### Alerts

Alerts is a setting available with certain hearing aid models which gives you the ability to play a unique indicator tone in your hearing aid(s) for alert notifications set on your iOS device. This includes alerts for calendar events, email and social notifications (Messages, Facebook, Twitter, etc.).

### **Default Home Memory**

Allows you to choose a specific memory to jump to when using the force touch feature on certain iOS devices or on the Apple Watch.





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### **Auto-Streaming**

Controls the ability of your hearing aid(s) to recognize when an audio stream starts and automatically changes to a different hearing aid memory specifically for streamed audio.

### Comfort Boost

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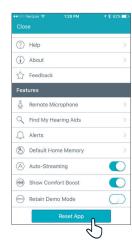


### Retain Demo Mode

Allows you to force the TruLink app into a demo mode allowing the app to function without any hearing aids attached so that all features are visible for demonstration. Adjustments made while in Demo Mode will not be applied to your hearing aid(s).

### Reset

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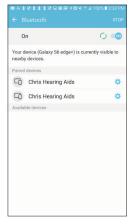
# Connectivity for Android Devices

In order to use the TruLink app, you must first pair your hearing aids with your Android device.

NOTE: Hearing aids must be powered on to pair with your device.

- 1. Locate, then tap the *Settings* icon on your device.
- 2. Select Bluetooth.
- In this screen, if Bluetooth appears
   Off, change the settings to On.
   Then, open and close the battery
   door on your hearing aids (this
   puts your hearing aids into pairing
   mode).
- 4. Under Paired devices you will see your first name followed by hearing aid (e.g. "Michelle H/As") when the device first discovers the hearing aids. If your name does not appear in the Available Devices list within 5-7 seconds, tap Scan For Devices.
- Tap the hearing aid name to connect each hearing aid to the device.
- 6. Pairing is complete.





# Re-connecting your hearing aids to your Android Device

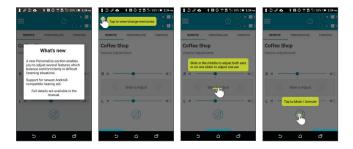
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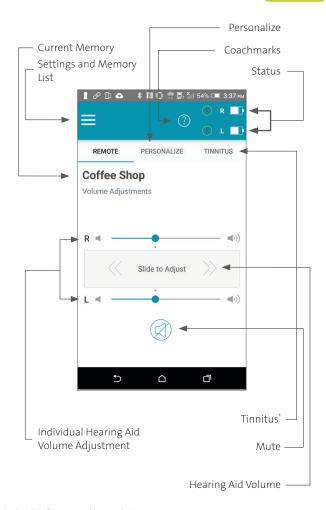
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The widget is accessible from the Android Notification window (swiping downward from the top of the screen). The TruLink widget must first be added to the Notification window. This process will vary by mobile device manufacturer. (An example of adding the widget is by pressing and holding the home screen or selecting the Widget option within the app list). After the Widget has been added, it will always be available. Changes made in the Widget will reflect within the TruLink app. The functions of the Widget include:

- Increase and decrease volume adjustments
- Mute
- Launching the TruLink app



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### Memory

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### Hearing Aid Volume

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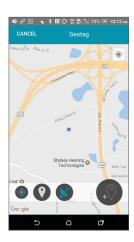
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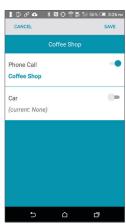


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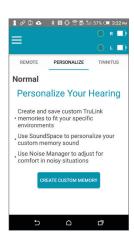


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Tap Launch SoundSpace to begin using SoundSpace. As you move your finger around the blank screen, the settings in your hearing aid(s) will temporarily change so you can listen to a variety of options.

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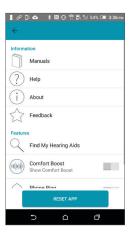
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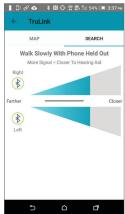
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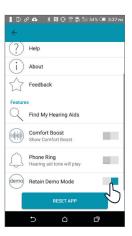
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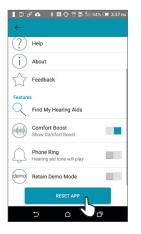
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