

Getting started

UnderRose user manual | Android 1.0

UnderRose lets you exchange messages and photos and make one-to-one audio and video calls with your contacts. This guide explains everyday use on Android phones.

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Before you begin

Install and update from the official Google Play listing, or the testing channel provided to you. Check the listing for current device requirements. Both you and the other person need UnderRose and an internet connection; contacts can use Android or iPhone.

First launch

1. Open UnderRose and tap Get Started.
2. Grant the optional permissions for the features you want: camera, microphone and notifications. You may skip and enable them later.
3. Continue through the connection information and completion screens. New profiles use the default name User; edit your display name later in Settings.

Find your way around

Tab	Use it to
Contacts	Add and search contacts; open a person's details.
Calls	Start calls and review call history.
Chats	Open conversations and send text or photos.
Settings	Edit your profile, share your invitation and manage local history.

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Emergency calls: UnderRose does not replace emergency services. Use your phone's normal dialer in an emergency.

Contacts and invitations

Add the right person before you start a conversation.

Share your invitation

1. Open Settings and choose Share my contact.
2. When together, show your QR code for the other person to scan.
3. When apart, share your invite code or QR image through an app you choose. You can also copy the invitation.
4. Ask the other person to add you. Adding them on your phone does not automatically add you on theirs; exchange invitations when prompted.

Add someone

Open Contacts, tap the add-contact button, and choose the method that suits your situation.

Method	What to do
We're together	Scan their QR code with the camera, or select a QR image they sent. Enter the contact name and follow the save prompts.
I have their invite code or QR	Paste the complete invitation code or choose the QR image. Name and save the contact.
They're not here	Show or share your own invitation so the other person can add you.

Find and maintain contacts

Use the search field in Contacts to find someone quickly. Open their details to send a message or start an audio or video call. Use Edit to change the name in your own contact list.

If an invitation cannot be added, ask for the complete code again without changing its characters. Check whether the person is already in Contacts. A pending invitation may still need action from the other person.

Before deleting a contact

Deleting a contact also removes associated local chats and call history. Read the confirmation before proceeding. It does not erase copies on another person's device.

Share invitations only with people you intend to contact. Confirm an unexpected name or invitation through a channel you already trust.

Messages

Send, check delivery and manage a conversation.

Start and send

1. Open Chats and choose a conversation, or tap New chat and select a contact. You can also start a message from the contact's details.
2. Tap the message field, type your text and tap Send.
3. Check the message indicator. A message shown locally has not necessarily reached the recipient.

Indicator	Meaning
Clock / sending	Sending is still pending. Keep a working connection and allow time for the other person to become available.
One checkmark	The message is marked as sent; delivery is not yet confirmed.
Two checkmarks	Delivery has been confirmed.
Colored read checkmarks	A read indication has been received.
Warning / Not Delivered	Sending failed. Check your connection and use the retry control shown for that message.

Message actions

Touch and hold a message to open its available actions. You can copy text, choose an emoji reaction or delete the message. For text you sent, Edit lets you update the text in the composer: tap Send to save, or Cancel to discard. An Edited label identifies an update.

Photo forwarding is available from the photo viewer (page 4). Some other menu actions, including text forwarding or reply, may display Coming soon. Only supported actions should be treated as completed.

Remove a conversation

Use the conversation's Delete action in Chats and confirm. This permanently removes the local conversation history. It cannot remove screenshots, exported files or copies saved on the other person's device.

If a message stays pending

Check internet access and let the other person open UnderRose. Avoid repeatedly sending the same message. Reopen the conversation and use Retry when the app shows a failure.

Photos

Send a picture, then save, share, copy or forward it.

Send a photo

1. Open a conversation and tap the photo attachment button.
2. Choose Photo Library to select a picture, or Take Photo to use the camera. Allow camera permission if requested.
3. Confirm your selection. A local photo preview appears in the conversation while preparation and sending continue.
4. Watch the progress or status on the photo. A preview does not confirm delivery. If sending fails, use the retry control after checking both phones' connections.

Open and act on a photo

Tap a chat photo to open the viewer. Wait for the photo to load fully if an action is unavailable. Use the bottom controls:

Control	Action
More > Save Photo	Save a copy to the device's shared photo collection. Allow storage permission if requested on an older Android version. Wait for the saved confirmation, then check your gallery app.
More > Share	Open the Android share chooser and select an app or destination. Cancel to return without sharing.
More > Copy	Copy the photo to the clipboard. Paste into an app that supports image clipboard content; support varies by destination app.
Forward	Choose an UnderRose contact, review the selected photo and tap Send. This creates a new photo message.
Delete	Choose Delete for me, or Delete for everyone when available for a photo you sent.

If an action fails

Make sure the full photo is available and the device has free storage. Read the viewer's error message. For sharing or pasting, try a destination app that accepts images. For sending, check both phones are online and try again when the app offers Retry.

Exported photos are separate copies. Saving, sharing, copying or forwarding takes the photo outside the original message. Deleting the message cannot recall independently saved copies or screenshots. Consider the destination before exporting.

Audio and video calls

Start, answer and finish a call.

Start a call

1. Open a contact and choose audio call or video call, or use the new-call button in Calls.
2. Allow microphone access for audio and camera access for video.
3. Wait for the other person to answer. Tap Cancel if you change your mind before connection.

Answer or decline

An incoming call may appear as a notification, a full-screen call interface or inside UnderRose, depending on Android settings and whether the phone is locked. Use Answer to accept or Decline / the end-call control to reject it. Unlock the phone if prompted.

During the call

Control	Use
Microphone	Mute or unmute yourself. Muting stops the other person from hearing you; it does not end the call.
Speaker / audio output	Change the speaker setting. If a headset is connected, check which device is carrying the audio.
Camera / video	Turn your camera off or on during a video call. Use the video-upgrade control during an audio call when available and follow the prompts.
End call	Tap the end-call button. Confirm the call screen closes.

Connection changes

If Reconnecting appears, keep the app open and check your Wi-Fi or mobile connection. Sound or video may pause during recovery. If recovery fails, end the call and try again after both phones have a working connection.

If you cannot hear each other

Check that neither person is muted, raise the in-call volume and check speaker or headset routing on both phones. Confirm microphone permission and the phone's microphone privacy control. If needed, end the call and try again. Note whether video worked and whether sound failed in one or both directions.

Call history

Calls shows previous calls and lets you call a contact again. A call-history entry is not an audio or video recording.

Settings, privacy and help

Control permissions and understand what deletion changes.

Profile and device protection

In Settings, edit your display name or profile photo, or open Share my contact to share your invitation. About shows the app version and build number. Enable biometric protection when supported by your device.

Permissions and incoming alerts

Open Android Settings > Apps > UnderRose > Permissions to change camera or microphone access. Open the app's Notifications settings to enable incoming alerts. The exact path varies by phone. When onboarding shows Open Settings after permission denial, use it to enable access and return to UnderRose.

Camera access supports scanning, photos and video; microphone access supports calls. Notification permission is separate. Check Do Not Disturb and battery restrictions if alerts are unreliable.

Delete local history

Settings > Privacy > Delete all data permanently removes local messages, chat photos and call history. Contacts and your UnderRose identity remain. Read the confirmation: this is not an account-deletion control. It does not remove exported photos, files shared elsewhere or copies on another device.

Quick troubleshooting

Problem	First checks
No incoming alert	Check internet, notification permission, Do Not Disturb and background restrictions. Open UnderRose and ask the contact to try again.
Camera or microphone unavailable	Check permissions and Android's camera/microphone privacy switches. Close another app using the device, then retry.
Photo or message pending	Keep a working connection and let the other person open UnderRose. Retry when a failure is shown.
Invitation rejected	Ask for the complete invitation again and check existing contacts.

Report a problem

If Report a Bug is present in Settings, choose a category, describe the issue and optionally attach a screenshot. Share through your chosen destination. Otherwise, use the official listing or website support contact.

Include your app version, phone model, Android version, what happened and the approximate time with your time zone. Review diagnostic attachments and screenshots before sharing; they may contain personal information. Do not post them publicly.

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