

Mapping tools

Easiest tools

- [uMap](#) my favourite, simplest way of creating simple route maps over OSM
- [GPS Visualizer](#) very different - good for data linked maps
- [Google Mymaps](#) - labels are not very clear

Full scale

- [QGIS](#) - full scale GIS completely free and enables you to do pretty well anything
- [ArcGIS](#) - the commercial equivalent to QGIS - expensive

Phone based apps

- [Pocket earth](#) for Apple (£9.99 for full version)
- [Locus maps](#) for Android (free/£10/24 a year)
- [QField](#) - for Android, Apple and other platforms - collect and edit data

Not recommended:

- [plotaroute.com](#) (free/£17/year) - lots of functionality, but stopnames need to be added as labels as an extra step
- [scribble maps](#) - very flexible, slightly old fashioned interface but expensive if you have more than 5 maps and can't export unless you pay
- [snazzy maps](#) - styles for Google maps, looks as if it has been enhanced to do other stuff (yet to fully evaluate)
- [MapHub](#) - only one stop title at a time
- [mapme](#) - five locations, no sharing, expensive
- [zeemaps](#) - five maps, limited use
- [mapbox](#) - pretty techie to use, widely used commercially, but with decent free level
- [umapper](#) - very techie to use
- [maptive](#)
- [infogram](#)
- [maptiler](#) - might be needed if you want to play with tiling of historical maps