REMOTE 3D VIEW.

Available as part of BMW Connected App, Remote 3D View allows you to view your vehicle from a 3D perspective, observe the surrounding area, and even capture an image all by using the app right on your phone. This can be helpful in situations when you like to check on your vehicle remotely before you approach a dark parking lot or to ensure your vehicle is safe and where you left it. It’s also a fun way to create a unique picture of all the scenery around your car, wherever it may be.

The feature is available starting with the 2017 latest 5 Series equipped with the 3D Surround View option. Without this equipment, Remote 3D View will not be available in the app. Remote 3D View uses the same onboard camera systems from the car that aid with the parking systems and wirelessly transmits encrypted images through BMW's backend where they can be viewed in the BMW Connected App.

HOW TO ACTIVATE AND USE REMOTE 3D VIEW.

In your BMW, select “My Vehicle,” then “iDrive settings” followed by “Data privacy.”

Next, select “Remote 3D View” and check the box. This will allow the app to access your BMW’s Surround View cameras.

Also, be sure to check “Vehicle tracking” if you would like to send vehicle GPS information and allow the BMW Connected App to display your BMW’s location.
The first time you access this feature, a default image will be displayed. Tap “Refresh View” to request a new image.

Once the image refreshes, tap again to see the status of the request. Now, you can use your finger to take a virtual walk around the vehicle to check the surroundings. Pinch your figures to zoom in and out on the view.

Tapping on the camera icon allows you to take a screenshot of your customized view of your BMW. Each screenshot will be automatically saved in the app and you will be given the option to store a copy of the screenshot to your phone’s camera roll.

To access screenshot history on the app, tap “Gallery” at top right corner. The app keeps the history of all screenshots you have taken along with the GPS information at the time that the feature was enabled.

Next, open the BMW Connected App and tap on the vehicle menu to view the remote services screen.

To access the remote features, tap on the “Remote” button, then scroll to the bottom to find “Remote 3D View.” Select “Show View.”