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Chrometa

The Insider's Guide

Automatic time tracking that sorts desktop activity into billable time



Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among time tracking apps, read from Chrometa's own pages.

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ToolGPA put this guide together from Chrometa's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on Chrometa's page too, where it is kept up to date. Checked Nov 12, 2026.

Welcome

What it is, who it suits, its grades and the ten things to know first

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GPA, above 4 of the 69 other time tracking apps we grade

Chrometa records what you do on your computer and phone in the background, then allocates the time to clients and projects using keywords, email addresses and phone numbers. The result is a daily timesheet for review. It is aimed at lawyers, consultants and agencies that bill by the hour.

To get you started, here are **9 things to know about Chrometa**, taken from its own pages and our grades.

> **Collectors for each computer and keyword rules for allocating time have to be set up first.**
>
> From our grade for ease of use

1 **Best for automatic time capture for hourly billing**

Chrometa logs desktop and phone activity in the background and sorts it into client time for invoicing.

2 **Paid plans start at $19 a month for each person**

As its pricing page puts it: $19 per user / month, billed monthly ($140 billed yearly).

3 **You can try it first**

30-day free trial with full access to the chosen plan

4 **It runs on 5 platforms**

Web, Windows, macOS, iOS and Android.

5 **Passive time capture**

Collectors for Mac, Windows and Android log documents, emails, websites and calls without timers.

6 **Automatic allocation**

Assigns time to clients and projects by keywords, email addresses and phone numbers; AI allocation improves on Plus.

7 **Daily timesheets**

A generated timesheet is ready each day to review, edit and tag before billing.

8 **A 2.0 GPA, above 4 of 69**

That is against the other time tracking apps we grade, on value, the free plan, features, ease of use and platforms.

9 **Keep it**

The plain part of Chrometa you could make: time tracking, invoicing and reports. What surrounds it you could not. The 4 things listed below take a company, not a weekend.

Chrometa at a glance

PRICING
Free trial, from $19 per user / month, billed monthly ($140 billed yearly)

FREE PLAN
No

FREE TRIAL
30-day free trial with full access to the chosen plan

RUNS ON
Web, macOS, Windows, iOS, Android

MADE BY
Chrometa, since 2007

CATEGORY
Time Tracking

OUR GRADE
2.0 GPA, fair

The report card

Best for automatic time capture for hourly billing

Chrometa logs desktop and phone activity in the background and sorts it into client time for invoicing. It starts at $19 a user a month, the trial doesn't say whether a card is needed, and screenshots and the API sit on the dearer plans.

TOOLGPA REPORT CARD — **Chrometa** — Graded Nov 12, 2026

SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	D	$19 a user a month, or $140 a year ($11.67 a month), where the middle of time tracking is $6.67 and the dearest tenth starts at $12. API access only arrives on Premium at $49.
Free plan and trial	D	30-day trial of the chosen plan, but the page does not say whether a card is needed, and there is no free plan.
Features	C	Passive capture, keyword allocation, daily timesheets and invoicing, but Standard has no screenshots and limits clients and workspaces; the listing names those gaps.
Ease of use	C	No store rating on record. Collectors for each computer and keyword rules for allocating time have to be set up first.
Platforms and integrations	A	Web, Windows, Mac, iPhone and Android, an API on Premium and integrations with Clio, QuickBooks, Xero and others.

Grade point average	Fair, out of 4.0 **2.0**

An A is worth 4 points, a B 3, a C 2, a D 1 and an F nothing. The GPA is the average of the five.

Who Chrometa is for

- ✓ Fits if you bill by the hour and forget to start timers
- ✓ Works for lawyers and consultants already on Clio, QuickBooks or Xero

Who it is not for

- ✗ Pricey if you pay monthly, at $19 against $11.67 a month on yearly billing
- ✗ Skip it if you want screenshots or a team dashboard, as those start on Plus at $29
- ✗ Not for you if you need the API, which is Premium only at $49
- ✗ Watch out: the homepage mentions the Clio team adding features, so who owns it is unclear

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ Lawyers and consultants who forget to start timers
- ✓ Agencies that bill clients by the hour
- ✓ Teams already on Clio, QuickBooks or Xero

Worth knowing

- ⓘ Standard limits client and workspace tracking and has no screenshots.
- ⓘ Screenshots start on Plus and API access only on Premium.
- ⓘ Yearly prices are per user per year and work out well below the monthly rate.
- ⓘ The homepage mentions the Clio team adding features, so ownership is unclear from the site.

PART 02 · PRICING

What it costs

Every plan, the free plan, ways to pay less and how prices have moved

$19

A month to start, for each person

Chrometa is a paid product with a free trial, starting at $19 per user / month, billed monthly ($140 billed yearly).

STANDARD

$19

per user / month, billed monthly ($140 per user billed yearly)

Passive time tracking, unlimited entries, basic AI categorization, daily summary emails and invoicing.

PLUS

$29

per user / month, billed monthly ($212 per user billed yearly)

Adds screenshots every 10 minutes, shared workspaces, team dashboard, unlimited projects and integrations.

PREMIUM

$49

per user / month, billed monthly ($360 per user billed yearly)

Adds API access, role-based access, screenshots every 5 minutes, real-time team monitoring and audit logs.

Trying it first

30-day free trial with full access to the chosen plan

Read from chrometa.com on Nov 12, 2026.

Ways to pay less

ANNUAL DISCOUNT

40% off with annual billing

Chrometa's pricing page states a 40% discount for an annual subscription on any plan.

Stated on chrometa.com

What it does

Its main features, where it runs, what it works with and who makes it

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Places it runs: Web, macOS, Windows, iOS and Android

Automatic time tracking that sorts desktop activity into billable time. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: public API, AI features, time tracking, invoicing, reports.

> **Web, Windows, Mac, iPhone and Android, an API on Premium and integrations with Clio, QuickBooks, Xero and others.**
>
> From our grade for platforms and integrations

Passive time capture

Collectors for Mac, Windows and Android log documents, emails, websites and calls without timers.

Automatic allocation

Assigns time to clients and projects by keywords, email addresses and phone numbers; AI allocation improves on Plus.

Daily timesheets

A generated timesheet is ready each day to review, edit and tag before billing.

Budgets and alerts

Sets time and budget alerts for projects, including a warning when billable time is at risk of under-billing.

Invoicing

Invoices clients from tracked time, with exports to accounting and practice management tools.

Team tracking

Plus and Premium add shared workspaces and a team productivity dashboard, with real-time monitoring on Premium.

Where it runs

Web · macOS · Windows · iOS · Android

What it works with

Clio · QuickBooks · Google Calendar · Xero · FreshBooks · PracticePanther · Rocket Matter · Salesforce

Chrometa is made by Chrometa, and has been around since 2007.

Where it stands

Its grades against its category, and whether to keep it or make your own

4/69

Other time tracking apps it is graded above

Chrometa's GPA of 2.0 is higher than 4 of the 69 other time tracking apps we grade, and level with 12.

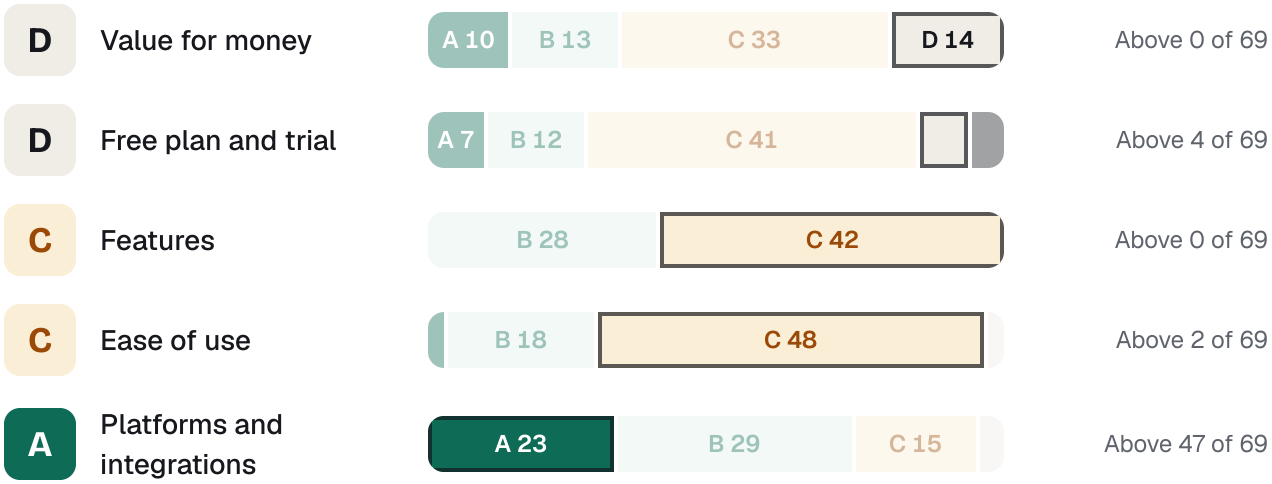
It stands best on platforms and integrations (A, above 47 of 69) and worst on value for money (D, above 0).

Its paid plans start at $19 a month for each person, against a middle price of $6.70 for the category: 55 of the 58 others that charge start lower.

On features, ease of use and platforms it scores 2.7 out of 4. 16 tools score higher and cost less.

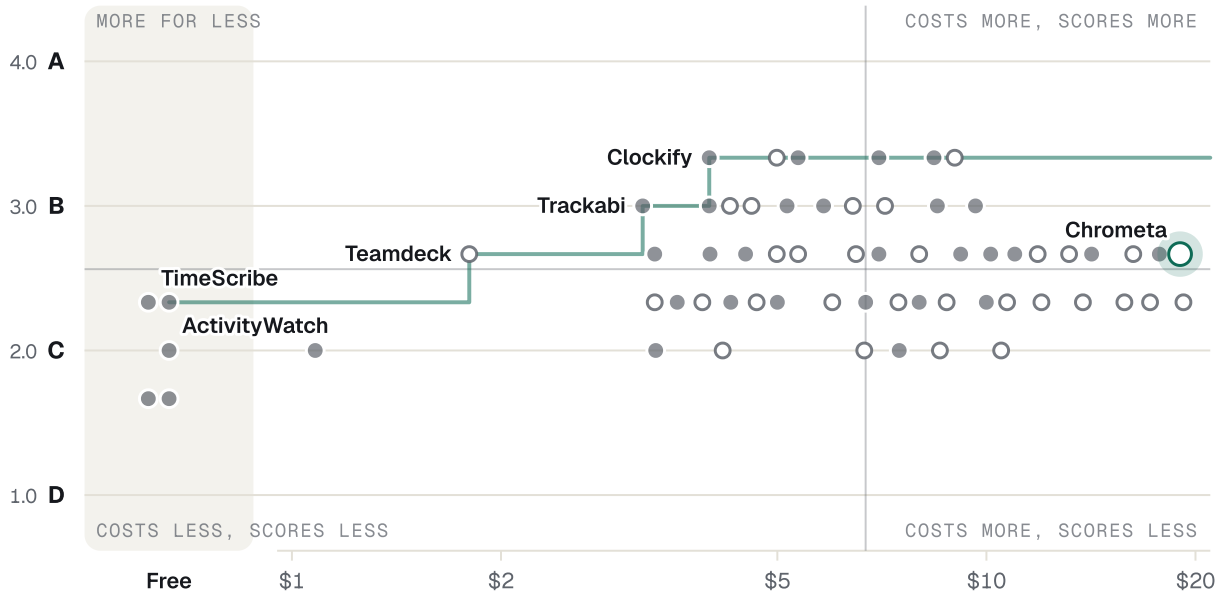
Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 70 time tracking apps we grade, cut by the letter each got. Chrometa's own letter is outlined.



Price against what you get

Each dot is one of 64 time tracking apps. Further left costs less; higher up scores better on features, ease of use and platforms. Chrometa is the marked dot.



What paid plans start at, a month (each step along is roughly double) ⍰

Keep it, or make your own?

Whether this is something you could build for yourself with an AI app builder, and what you would give up.

Keep it

The plain part of Chrometa you could make: time tracking, invoicing and reports. What surrounds it you could not. The 4 things listed below take a company, not a weekend.

That makes this kind of software worth paying for, not this one in particular: 53 of the 69 other time tracking apps grade higher. It costs $228 a year.

What you could make

- Time tracking, invoicing and reports: an app builder makes these well.

What you could not

- Apps for macOS, Windows, iOS and Android that stay in step with each other.
- It is priced for each person, which means accounts and billing for a team.
- It plugs into other products, Clio, QuickBooks and Google Calendar among them, and has an API.
- AI features, unless you pay a model provider for each request yourself.

What this rests on. Chrometa's listing: what it does, where it runs, what it plugs into and what it costs. It is a judgement about the kind of software this is. We have not built a replacement for it, and making your own means looking after it too. How we decide, and every tool's verdict.

The alternatives

The tools it is most often weighed against, side by side



Rize, Timely, Memtime, ManicTime and RescueTime

The 5 tools Chrometa is most often weighed against, with where each one differs from it.

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Rize

Free trial · from $9.99/mo

Automatic time tracker with focus tools and AI reports.

- Only Chrometa lists a web app.
- Only Chrometa lists iOS and Android apps.
- Only Rize lists a browser extension.

Chrometa and Rize compared in full

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Timely

Free trial · from $9/mo

Automatic time tracking with AI-drafted timesheets for teams.

Chrometa and Timely compared in full



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Memtime

Free trial · from $14/mo

Automatic desktop time tracker that keeps activity data offline.

- Only Chrometa lists iOS and Android apps.
- Only Memtime lists a Linux app.
- Chrometa also covers invoicing.

Chrometa and Memtime compared in full



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ManicTime

Free plan · from $7/mo

Automatic time tracker, in the cloud or on your own server.

- ManicTime has a free plan. Chrometa does not, though it has a free trial.
- Only Chrometa lists a web app.
- Only ManicTime lists a Linux app.

Chrometa and ManicTime compared in full



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RescueTime

Free plan · from $7/mo

Automatic time tracking with distraction blocking and timesheets.

- RescueTime has a free plan. Chrometa does not, though it has a free trial.
- Only RescueTime lists a browser extension.
- Chrometa also covers invoicing.

Chrometa and RescueTime compared in full

PART 06 · QUESTIONS

Quick answers

The questions people ask about it, each answered in a line or two

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Questions, each answered in a line or two

The short version of everything above, for when you only need the answer. Each one is told in full in its part of the guide.

Is Chrometa free?

No, Chrometa is a paid product, but you can try it first. 30-day free trial with full access to the chosen plan.

How much does Chrometa cost?

Chrometa lists 3 plans. Standard: $19 per user / month, billed monthly ($140 per user billed yearly).

What platforms does Chrometa work on?

Chrometa is available on Web, Windows, macOS, iOS and Android.

Does Chrometa offer any discounts?

Chrometa publicly lists the following: 40% off with annual billing.

Does Chrometa have a Linux app?

No Linux app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 12, 2026. Chrometa is listed for Web, Windows, macOS, iOS and Android.

Is Chrometa open source?

Chrometa is not described as open source on its own site, as read on Nov 12, 2026.

Does Chrometa have an API?

Yes. Chrometa offers a public API, according to its own site.

What does Chrometa integrate with?

Chrometa's listing names Clio, QuickBooks, Google Calendar, Xero, FreshBooks, PracticePanther, Rocket Matter and Salesforce.

Who makes Chrometa?

Chrometa is made by a company of the same name. It dates from 2007.

What are the alternatives to Chrometa?

The closest alternatives to Chrometa in our directory are Rize, Timely, Memtime, ManicTime and RescueTime.

How does Chrometa compare with other time tracking apps?

Chrometa's GPA of 2.0 is higher than 4 of the 69 other time tracking apps we grade, and level with 12.

Is Chrometa good value for money?

ToolGPA grades Chrometa D for value for money. Its paid plans start at $19 a month for each person, against a middle price of $6.70 for the category: 55 of the 58 others that charge start lower.

Could I make my own version of Chrometa?

The plain part of Chrometa you could make: time tracking, invoicing and reports.

Where this guide comes from

The prices, plans, platforms and features were read from Chrometa's own pages on Nov 12, 2026, and the grades were given on Nov 12, 2026. Graded from this listing, whose facts were read from Chrometa's own pages on 12 November 2026. Not based on using the product, and shorter than our full reviews.

Every tool we list gets five grades, A to F, each with its reason, and a GPA that averages them. How each is decided is at toolgpa.com/grades. This guide is ToolGPA's own work; it is not made, paid for or approved by Chrometa. Prices change, so check chrometa.com before you buy.

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About ToolGPA

Who made this guide, what else is on the site, and how to cite it

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Tools graded, in 95 categories

ToolGPA grades software the way a school report grades a pupil: five subjects, a letter for each with the reason written beside it, and a GPA that averages them. Prices, plans and platforms are read from each maker's own pages and dated, so you always know how fresh a figure is.

Every grade, review and ranking on ToolGPA is our own judgement. No company can pay for a grade or change one. Every tool on the site has a guide like this one, free to download and pass on. It all lives at **toolgpa.com**.

5,038	95	739	579
tools graded	categories	price changes on record	apps priced in 12 countries

What else is on toolgpa.com

Chrometa, kept up to date

Everything in this guide, with prices and grades as they are today

toolgpa.com/tools/chrometa

How grades are given

The rules behind every letter and every GPA

toolgpa.com/grades

Value charts

What each tool costs against what it scores, for every category

toolgpa.com/charts

Compare

Any two tools side by side, plan by plan

toolgpa.com/compare

Price changes

Every price rise and cut on record, each with its source

toolgpa.com/price-changes

Prices by country

What apps cost on the App Store in 12 countries

toolgpa.com/prices-by-country

Pay less

Every public discount: yearly billing, students, nonprofits

toolgpa.com/save

Keep or make

Which tools are worth paying for, and which you could build yourself

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Every one of the 70 time tracking apps we grade, compared

Jibble Insider's Guide

Free time clock and attendance tracker with GPS and face recognition

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Clockify Insider's Guide

Team time tracker and timesheets with a free plan for 5 users

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TimeCamp Insider's Guide

Time tracking with attendance, billing and a free plan for any team

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