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Cockatoo

The Insider's Guide

Upload-based AI transcription with speaker labels and translation



Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among AI meeting note takers, read from Cockatoo's own pages.

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ToolGPA put this guide together from Cockatoo's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on Cockatoo's page too, where it is kept up to date. Checked Nov 13, 2026.

Welcome

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

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GPA, above 20 of the 89 other AI meeting note takers we grade

Cockatoo turns audio and video files and live recordings into timestamped, speaker-labeled transcripts in more than 90 languages. Its Canvas workspace adds summaries and chat over a transcript, and transcripts can be translated and exported. It suits recorded meetings and interviews more than live in-call note taking.

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

> **No store rating on record, but you upload a file or record and get a transcript back with nothing to set up.**
>
> From our grade for ease of use

1 **Best for upload-based AI transcription**

Cockatoo transcribes uploaded audio and video files and live recordings, with speaker labels, translation and an editor.

2 **Paid plans start at $22.50 a month**

As its pricing page puts it: $22.50 per month, billed annually ($30 billed monthly).

3 There is a free plan

Free: try audio and video transcription, read and edit transcripts, file translation previews and Canvas. No credit card required.

4 It runs on 2 platforms

Web and iOS.

5 Upload or record

Drag in MP3, MP4, M4A, MOV, WAV and other formats for a timestamped, speaker-labeled transcript, or record and dictate live on Pro.

6 Two transcription models

V4-Fast is unlimited on paid plans; V4-Pro supports 36 languages and has monthly limits that Max raises to 5x or 10x.

7 Canvas

Summaries, insights, chat and edits over a transcript. Canvas is available to try on the free plan and in full on Pro.

8 A 2.2 GPA, above 20 of 89

That is against the other AI meeting note takers we grade, on value, the free plan, features, ease of use and platforms.

9 Keep it

To replace Cockatoo you would be making a bot that joins your calls and turns the talk into notes. That is not a weekend's work, with an AI app builder or without one.

Cockatoo at a glance

PRICING Free plan, from $22.50 per month, billed annually ($30 billed monthly)	FREE PLAN Yes
FREE TRIAL None stated	RUNS ON Web, iOS
MADE BY Cockatoo	CATEGORY AI Meeting Notes
OUR GRADE 2.2 GPA, fair	STORE RATING 4.7 on the App Store, 786 ratings

The report card

Best for upload-based AI transcription

Cockatoo transcribes uploaded audio and video files and live recordings, with speaker labels, translation and an editor. Pro is $30 a month if you pay monthly, the pages describe no bot that joins calls, and there is no integration list.

TOOLGPA REPORT CARD — **Cockatoo** — Graded Nov 13, 2026

SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	C	Pro is $22.50 a month on yearly billing and $30 monthly, past the dearer quarter ($18) of meeting-note tools but below its dearest tenth.
Free plan and trial	C	A free plan to try transcription, read and edit transcripts and preview translation, no card needed. It is a taste, not a plan to live on.

SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Features	C	Upload or record, two transcription models, translation, exports and a Canvas. The pages describe no bot to join calls.
Ease of use	B	No store rating on record, but you upload a file or record and get a transcript back with nothing to set up.
Platforms and integrations	C	Web and iPhone only, with no integrations or desktop app listed.
Grade point average		Fair, out of 4.0 **2.2**

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 Cockatoo is for

- ✓ Fits if you have recordings to upload and want speaker-labelled transcripts
- ✓ Works for iPhone users who want voice notes sent to the same account

Who it is not for

- ✗ Pricey if you pay monthly, as Pro is $30 against $22.50 on yearly billing, and Max is $100 a month
- ✗ Skip it if you want a bot to join your calls, as the pages read describe none
- ✗ Watch out: Team starts at three users, and Max is billed monthly only
- ✗ Skip it if you use Android or want a desktop app, as only web and iPhone are listed

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ Recorded interviews, podcasts and meeting files that need a clean transcript
- ✓ Teams that want speaker labels and exports without a meeting bot

Worth knowing

- ⓘ It works from uploaded files and live recording; the pages read do not describe a bot that joins calls.
- ⓘ Pro needs $30 a month on monthly billing; the $22.50 figure applies to annual billing.
- ⓘ Team plans start at three users, and Max is billed monthly only.

PART 02 · PRICING

What it costs

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

$22.50

A month to start. There is a free plan too

Cockatoo has a free plan. Paid plans start at $22.50 per month, billed annually ($30 billed monthly).

> **A free plan to try transcription, read and edit transcripts and preview translation, no card needed.**
>
> From our grade for free plan and trial

FREE

$0

A small allowance to try transcription, translation previews and Canvas.

PRO

$22.50

per month, billed annually ($30 billed monthly)

Unlimited V4-Fast transcription, monthly V4-Pro limits, diarization, 90-language translation, bulk export, Canvas and 2 TB storage.

MAX

$100

per month for 5x Pro usage, billed monthly

Everything in Pro with 5x the V4-Pro allowance; 10x costs $200 a month. Adds early access and priority at busy times.

TEAM

$12

per user / month, billed annually ($15 billed monthly)

Starts at three users ($432 a year). Each member gets Pro features and 2 TB storage, with shared files and central billing.

The free plan

Free: try audio and video transcription, read and edit transcripts, file translation previews and Canvas. No credit card required.

Read from cockatoo.com on Nov 13, 2026.

Ways to pay less

ANNUAL DISCOUNT

Annual billing lowers Pro and Team

Pro is $270 a year ($22.50 a month) against $30 monthly, and Team for three people is $432 a year against $45 a month.

Stated on cockatoo.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 and iOS

Upload-based AI transcription with speaker labels and translation. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: AI features, meeting notes, transcription, dictation, chat assistant.

> **Upload or record, two transcription models, translation, exports and a Canvas.**

From our grade for features

Upload or record

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Two transcription models

V4-Fast is unlimited on paid plans; V4-Pro supports 36 languages and has monthly limits that Max raises to 5x or 10x.

Canvas

Summaries, insights, chat and edits over a transcript. Canvas is available to try on the free plan and in full on Pro.

Translation and exports

Translate transcripts into 90 languages, and documents such as PDF, Word and PowerPoint. Export as PDF, DOCX, TXT or subtitles.

Voice Notes for iOS

A companion iPhone app, Cockatoo AI Voice Notes, handles voice capture and dictation on the go.

Where it runs

Web iOS

What it works with

Its own pages name no integrations.

Cockatoo is made by Cockatoo.

Where it stands

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

20/89

Other AI meeting note takers it is graded above

Cockatoo's GPA of 2.2 is higher than 20 of the 89 other AI meeting note takers we grade, and level with 27.

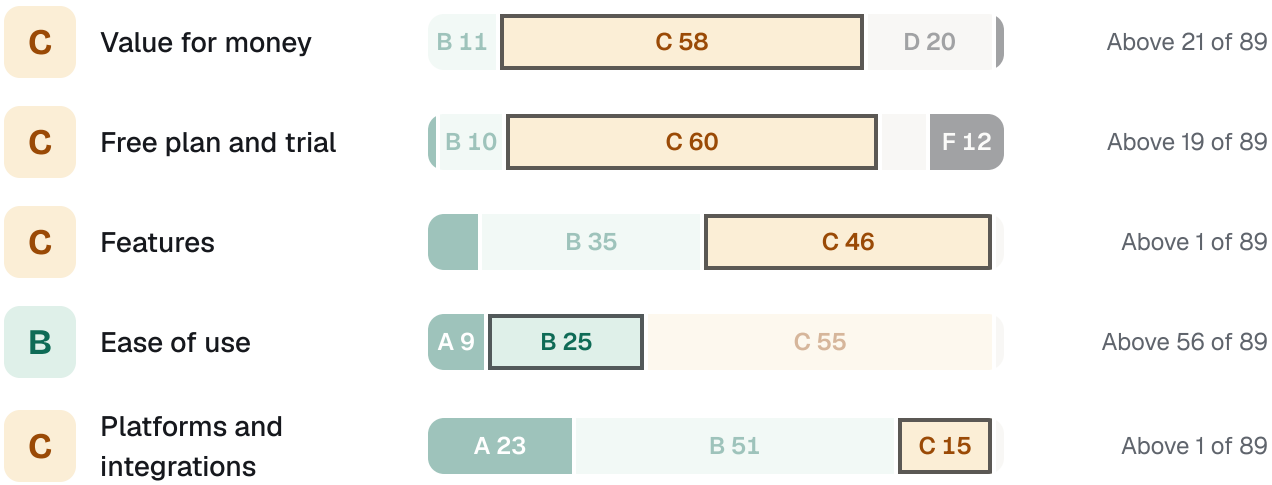
It stands best on ease of use (B, above 56 of 89) and worst on features (C, above 1).

Its paid plans start at $22.50 a month, against a middle price of $12 for the category: 66 of the 76 others that charge start lower.

On features, ease of use and platforms it scores 2.3 out of 4. 45 tools score higher and cost less.

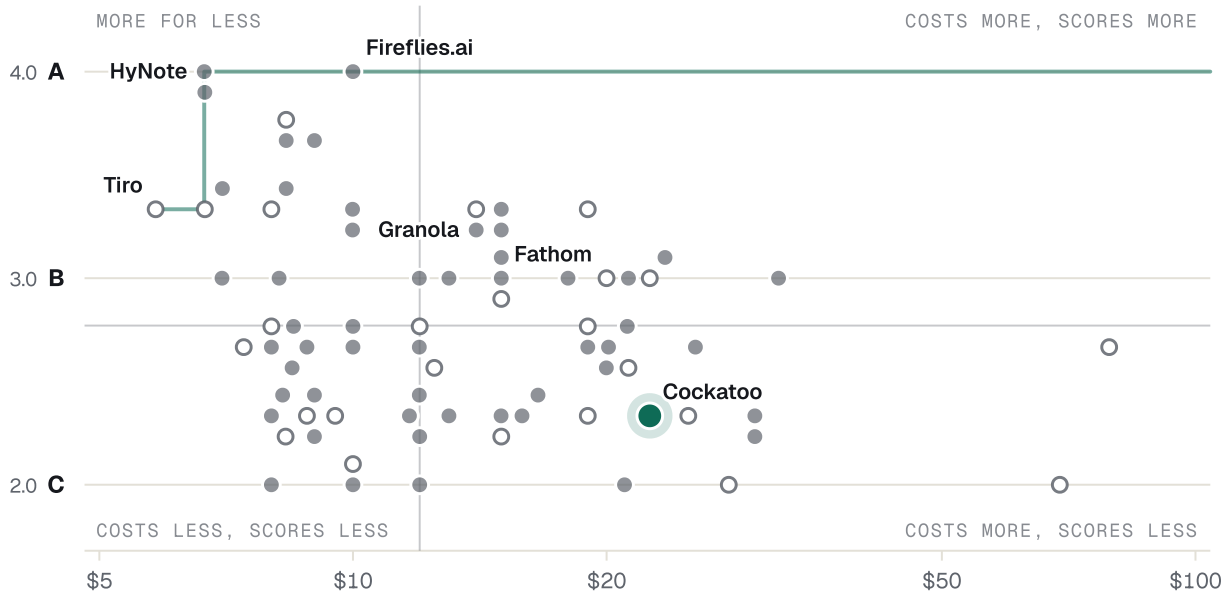
Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 90 AI meeting note takers we grade, cut by the letter each got. Cockatoo's own letter is outlined.



Price against what you get

Each dot is one of 77 AI meeting note takers. Further left costs less; higher up scores better on features, ease of use and platforms. Cockatoo 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

To replace Cockatoo you would be making a bot that joins your calls and turns the talk into notes. That is not a weekend's work, with an AI app builder or without one.

That makes this kind of software worth paying for, not this one in particular: 42 of the 89 other AI meeting note takers grade higher. It costs $270 a year.

What you could not

- ✕ A bot that joins your calls and turns the talk into notes.
- ✕ Dictation that types into any app on your computer.

- ✕ An AI model, which you can rent by the request but not make.
- ✕ Speech turned into text you can trust.
- ✕ A real app for iOS. Something home-made would be a web page.

What this rests on. Cockatoo'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



Otter.ai, Notta, Transkriptor, Sonix and Trint

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

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Otter.ai

Free plan · from $8.33/mo

Live meeting transcription with summaries and AI chat.

- Only Otter.ai lists macOS, Windows and Android apps.
- Only Otter.ai lists a browser extension.
- Cockatoo also covers dictation.

Cockatoo and Otter.ai compared in full

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Notta

Free plan · from $8.17/mo

AI notetaker and transcription for meetings, files and recordings.

- Only Notta lists macOS, Windows and Android apps.
- Only Notta lists a browser extension.
- Cockatoo also covers dictation.

Cockatoo and Notta compared in full

3.0 GPA

Transkriptor

Free trial · from $8.33/mo

AI transcription for files, recordings and meetings.

- Cockatoo has a free plan. Transkriptor does not, though it has a free trial.
- Only Transkriptor lists macOS, Windows and Android apps.
- Only Transkriptor lists a browser extension.

Cockatoo and Transkriptor compared in full

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Sonix

Free trial · from $25/mo

Browser-based transcription, translation and meeting recorder.

- Cockatoo has a free plan. Sonix does not, though it has a free trial.
- Only Cockatoo lists an iOS app.
- Cockatoo also covers dictation and chat assistant.

Cockatoo and Sonix compared in full

2.0 GPA

Trint

Free trial · from $79/mo

Transcription and live capture platform built for newsrooms.

- Cockatoo has a free plan. Trint does not, though it has a free trial.
- Only Trint lists macOS, Windows and Android apps.
- Cockatoo also covers meeting notes, dictation and chat assistant.

Cockatoo and Trint 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 Cockatoo free?

Cockatoo has a free plan. Free: try audio and video transcription, read and edit transcripts, file translation previews and Canvas.

How much does Cockatoo cost?

Cockatoo lists 4 plans. Free: $0.

What platforms does Cockatoo work on?

Cockatoo is available on Web and iOS.

Does Cockatoo offer any discounts?

Cockatoo publicly lists the following: Annual billing lowers Pro and Team.

How is Cockatoo rated?

Cockatoo's iPhone and iPad app averages 4.7 out of 5 from 786 ratings on the App Store in the United States, as read on Nov 13, 2026.

Does Cockatoo have an Android app?

No Android app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. Cockatoo is listed for Web and iOS.

Does Cockatoo have a Windows app?

No Windows app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. Cockatoo is listed for Web and iOS.

Is Cockatoo open source?

Cockatoo is not described as open source on its own site, as read on Nov 13, 2026.

Who makes Cockatoo?

Cockatoo is made by a company of the same name.

What are the alternatives to Cockatoo?

The closest alternatives to Cockatoo in our directory are Otter.ai, Notta, Transkriptor, Sonix and Trint.

How does Cockatoo compare with other AI meeting note takers?

Cockatoo's GPA of 2.2 is higher than 20 of the 89 other AI meeting note takers we grade, and level with 27.

Is Cockatoo good value for money?

ToolGPA grades Cockatoo C for value for money. Its paid plans start at $22.50 a month, against a middle price of $12 for the category: 66 of the 76 others that charge start lower.

Could I make my own version of Cockatoo?

To replace Cockatoo you would be making a bot that joins your calls and turns the talk into notes.

Where this guide comes from

The prices, plans, platforms and features were read from Cockatoo's own pages on Nov 13, 2026, and the grades were given on Nov 13, 2026. Graded from this listing, whose facts were read from Cockatoo's own pages on 13 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 Cockatoo. Prices change, so check cockatoo.com before you buy.

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PART 07 · ABOUT

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.

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7,721	95	739	579
tools graded	categories	price changes on record	apps priced in 12 countries

What else is on toolgpa.com

Cockatoo, kept up to date

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

toolgpa.com/tools/cockatoo

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

toolgpa.com/keep-or-make

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AI Meeting Notes Insider's Guide

Every one of the 90 AI meeting note takers we grade, compared

HyNote Insider's Guide

AI note taker for meetings, audio, PDFs and videos

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Wave AI Insider's Guide

AI note taker and recorder for meetings, calls and lectures

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Fireflies.ai Insider's Guide

Meeting notetaker that records, transcribes and summarizes calls

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