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Commander One

The Insider’s Guide

Dual-panel file manager and FTP client for Mac



Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among desktop utilities, read from Commander One’s own pages.

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ToolGPA put this guide together from Commander One's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on Commander One'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 17 of the 96 other desktop utilities we grade

Commander One is a dual-panel file manager for macOS from Electronic Team. It handles local files and connects to FTP, SFTP, WebDAV and cloud services such as Dropbox, Google Drive, Amazon S3 and OneDrive. Extras include a terminal emulator, archive handling and mounting of iOS and Android devices.

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

> **It is a file manager with servers and cloud drives to connect, and two panels to get used to.**
>
> From our grade for ease of use

1 **Best for a dual-panel file manager with FTP on a Mac**

Commander One is a two-panel file manager for the Mac with FTP, SFTP, cloud drives and a terminal built in.

2 **What it costs**

Paid plans start at $29.99 one-time for PRO.

3 There is a free plan

A free version exists, including in the Mac App Store; PRO features are an in-app purchase there.

4 It runs on macOS

macOS.

5 Dual-panel view

Two panels for moving files between folders, servers and storage.

6 Remote connections

Built-in FTP, SFTP and WebDAV client, plus Amazon S3, OpenStack and Backblaze.

7 Cloud storage

Connects to Dropbox, Google Drive, OneDrive, Box, MEGA and pCloud.

8 A 2.4 GPA, above 17 of 96

That is against the other desktop utilities we grade, on value, the free plan, features, ease of use and platforms.

9 Keep it

The plain part of Commander One you could make: file compression. What surrounds it you could not. The 4 things listed below take a company, not a weekend.

Commander One at a glance

PRICING Free plan, from $29.99 one-time for PRO	FREE PLAN Yes
FREE TRIAL None stated	RUNS ON macOS
MADE BY Electronic Team, Inc.	CATEGORY Desktop Utilities
OUR GRADE 2.4 GPA, fair	

The report card

Best for a dual-panel file manager with FTP on a Mac

Commander One is a two-panel file manager for the Mac with FTP, SFTP, cloud drives and a terminal built in. The App Store copy is cut down, the personal licence is for one Mac and non-commercial use, and if you have a Windows or Linux machine too, it won't follow you there.

TOOLGPA REPORT CARD — **Commander One** — Graded Nov 12, 2026

SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	A	$29.99 once for the PRO Pack, less than a year of what this category's middle subscription costs. The team licence is $99.99 for 5 Macs, so $20 a head.
Free plan and trial	C	A free version exists, including in the Mac App Store, but it has fewer features than PRO and the PRO Pack is an in-app purchase there. You will hit that edge.
Features	B	Dual panels, FTP, SFTP, WebDAV, S3 and six cloud drives, archives, a terminal and phone mounting over MTP. Nothing in the listing is missing from the job of a file manager.
Ease of use	C	No rating on record. It is a file manager with servers and cloud drives to connect, and two panels to get used to.
Platforms and integrations	D	Mac only, on macOS 10.13 or later. Cloud drives are connected inside it, but there is no Windows, Linux, phone or web version.

Grade point average Fair, out of 4.0 **2.4**

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 Commander One is for

- ✓ Fits if you want a Total Commander-style file manager on a Mac
- ✓ Works for developers who move files to FTP or S3 and want it in the same window

Who it is not for

- ✗ Skip it if you also use Windows or Linux, as it is Mac only
- ✗ Tight if you want everything the site shows without paying, because the free version has fewer features than PRO
- ✗ Watch out: the personal licence covers one Mac and non-commercial use, and lifetime upgrades are a separate add-on
- ✗ Pricey if you need commercial use, which starts at $99.99 for 5 Macs

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ Mac users who want a Total Commander-style file manager
- ✓ Developers who want FTP and file management in one app

Worth knowing

- ⓘ The Mac App Store version has limits compared with the PRO version sold on the site.
- ⓘ The personal license allows non-commercial use on one Mac only.
- ⓘ Mac only; requires macOS 10.13 or later.

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What it costs

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

$29.99 one-time

To start. There is a free plan too

Commander One has a free plan. Paid plans start at $29.99 one-time for PRO.

> **A free version exists, including in the Mac App Store, but it has fewer features than PRO and the PRO Pack is an in-app purchase there.**
>
> From our grade for free plan and trial

FREE VERSION

$0

Mac App Store version with fewer features than PRO; the PRO Pack is an in-app purchase.

PRO PACK PERSONAL

$29.99

one-time purchase, for 1 Mac

Personal, non-commercial use on one Mac. Lifetime upgrades are a separate add-on.

PRO PACK TEAM

$99.99

one-time purchase, for 5 Macs

Allows commercial use within a business. Larger licenses are sold through sales.

The free plan

A free version exists, including in the Mac App Store; PRO features are an in-app purchase there.

Read from ftp-mac.com on Nov 12, 2026.

Ways to pay less

OTHER SAVINGS

Migration discount for other-tool owners

The purchase page advertises 50% off for people who hold a license for alternative software; the discount is requested through the vendor.

Stated on ftp-mac.com

What it does

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

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Place it runs: macOS

Dual-panel file manager and FTP client for Mac. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: one-time purchase, file management, file compression.

> **Nothing in the listing is missing from the job of a file manager.**

From our grade for features

Dual-panel view

Two panels for moving files between folders, servers and storage.

Remote connections

Built-in FTP, SFTP and WebDAV client, plus Amazon S3, OpenStack and Backblaze.

Cloud storage

Connects to Dropbox, Google Drive, OneDrive, Box, MEGA and pCloud.

Terminal emulator

A built-in terminal for running commands without leaving the app.

Archives

Compresses and extracts RAR, 7-Zip, ZIP and Tar GZ files.

Device mounting

Mounts iOS and Android devices and cameras over MTP.

Where it runs

macOS

What it works with

Dropbox · Google Drive · OneDrive · Amazon S3 · Box · MEGA · pCloud · Backblaze B2

Commander One is made by Electronic Team, Inc.

Where it stands

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

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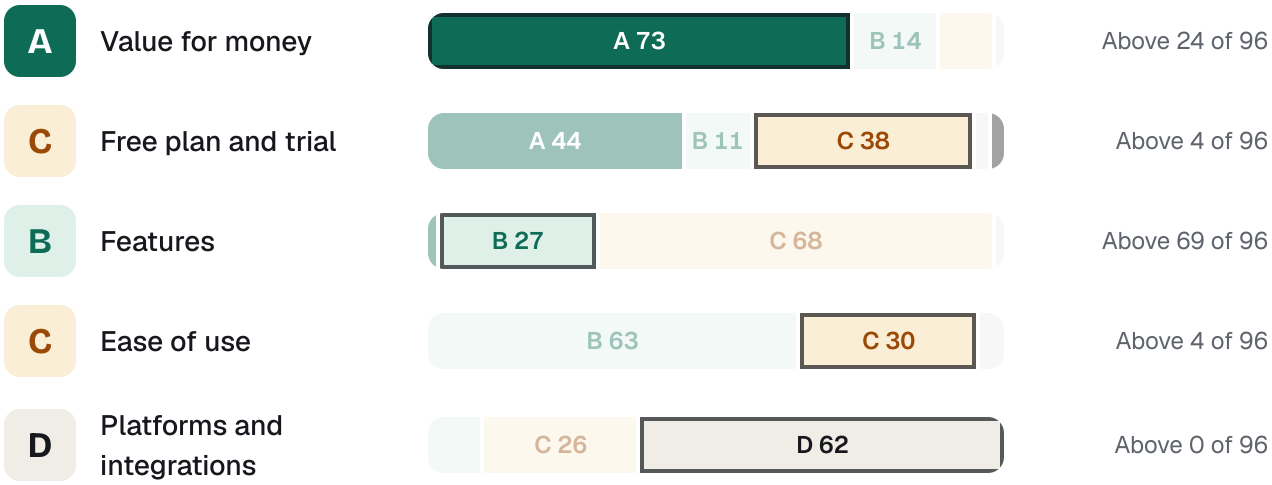
Other desktop utilities it is graded above

Commander One's GPA of 2.4 is higher than 17 of the 96 other desktop utilities we grade, and level with 17.

It stands best on value for money (A, above 24 of 96) and worst on platforms and integrations (D, above 0).

Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 97 desktop utilities we grade, cut by the letter each got. Commander One's own letter is outlined.



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 Commander One you could make: file compression. 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: 62 of the 96 other desktop utilities grade higher. It costs $29.99, paid once.

What you could make

- File compression: an app builder makes this well.

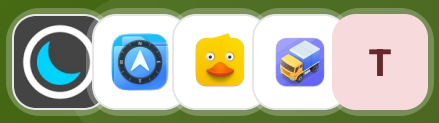
What you could not

- A file manager working directly on your disk.
- A real app for macOS. Something home-made would be a web page.
- It plugs into other products, Dropbox, Google Drive and OneDrive among them.
- The depth: we grade its features B, which means it covers the whole job.

What this rests on. Commander One'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



ForkLift, Path Finder, Cyberduck, Transmit and Total Commander

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

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ForkLift

Free trial · from $19.95 one-time

Dual-pane file manager and file transfer client for macOS.

- Commander One has a free plan. ForkLift does not, though it has a free trial.
- Commander One also covers file compression.
- ForkLift also covers file sync.

Commander One and ForkLift compared in full

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Path Finder

Free trial · from $2.95/mo

Dual-pane file manager for Mac, built as a Finder alternative.

- Commander One has a free plan. Path Finder does not, though it has a free trial.
- Commander One can be bought with a one-time purchase.
- Commander One also covers file compression.

Commander One and Path Finder compared in full



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Cyberduck

Free plan · from $10

Server and cloud storage browser for Mac and Windows.

- Only Cyberduck lists a Windows app.
- Commander One can be bought with a one-time purchase.
- Commander One also covers file compression.

Commander One and Cyberduck compared in full



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Transmit

Free trial · from $45 one-time

Mac file transfer app for servers and cloud storage.

- Commander One has a free plan. Transmit does not, though it has a free trial.
- Commander One also covers file compression.
- Transmit also covers file sharing.

Commander One and Transmit compared in full

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Total Commander

Free trial · from €42 one-time

Two-pane file manager for Windows with FTP and archive tools.

- Commander One has a free plan. Total Commander does not, though it has a free trial.
- Only Commander One lists a macOS app.
- Only Total Commander lists Windows and Android apps.

Commander One and Total Commander compared in full

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 Commander One free?

Commander One has a free plan. A free version exists, including in the Mac App Store; PRO features are an in-app purchase there.

How much does Commander One cost?

Commander One lists 3 plans. Free version: $0.

What platforms does Commander One work on?

Commander One is available on macOS.

Does Commander One offer any discounts?

Commander One publicly lists the following: Migration discount for other-tool owners.

Does Commander One have an Android app?

No Android app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 12, 2026. Commander One is listed for macOS.

Does Commander One have an iPhone app?

No iPhone app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 12, 2026. Commander One is listed for macOS.

Is Commander One open source?

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

What does Commander One integrate with?

Commander One's listing names Dropbox, Google Drive, OneDrive, Amazon S3, Box, MEGA, pCloud and Backblaze B2.

Who makes Commander One?

Commander One is made by Electronic Team, Inc.

What are the alternatives to Commander One?

The closest alternatives to Commander One in our directory are ForkLift, Path Finder, Cyberduck, Transmit and Total Commander.

How does Commander One compare with other desktop utilities?

Commander One's GPA of 2.4 is higher than 17 of the 96 other desktop utilities we grade, and level with 17.

Could I make my own version of Commander One?

The plain part of Commander One you could make: file compression. What surrounds it you could not.

Where this guide comes from

The prices, plans, platforms and features were read from Commander One'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 Electronic Team'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 Electronic Team, Inc. Prices change, so check ftp-mac.com before you buy.

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ftp-mac.com/purchase.html

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Tools graded, in 95 categories

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tools graded	categories	price changes on record	apps priced in 12 countries

What else is on toolgpa.com

Commander One, kept up to date

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

toolgpa.com/tools/commander-one

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

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Keep or make

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

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Free file archiver for Linux, macOS and Windows

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