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Contrado

The Insider's Guide

Made-to-order custom printing with dropshipping and artist stores

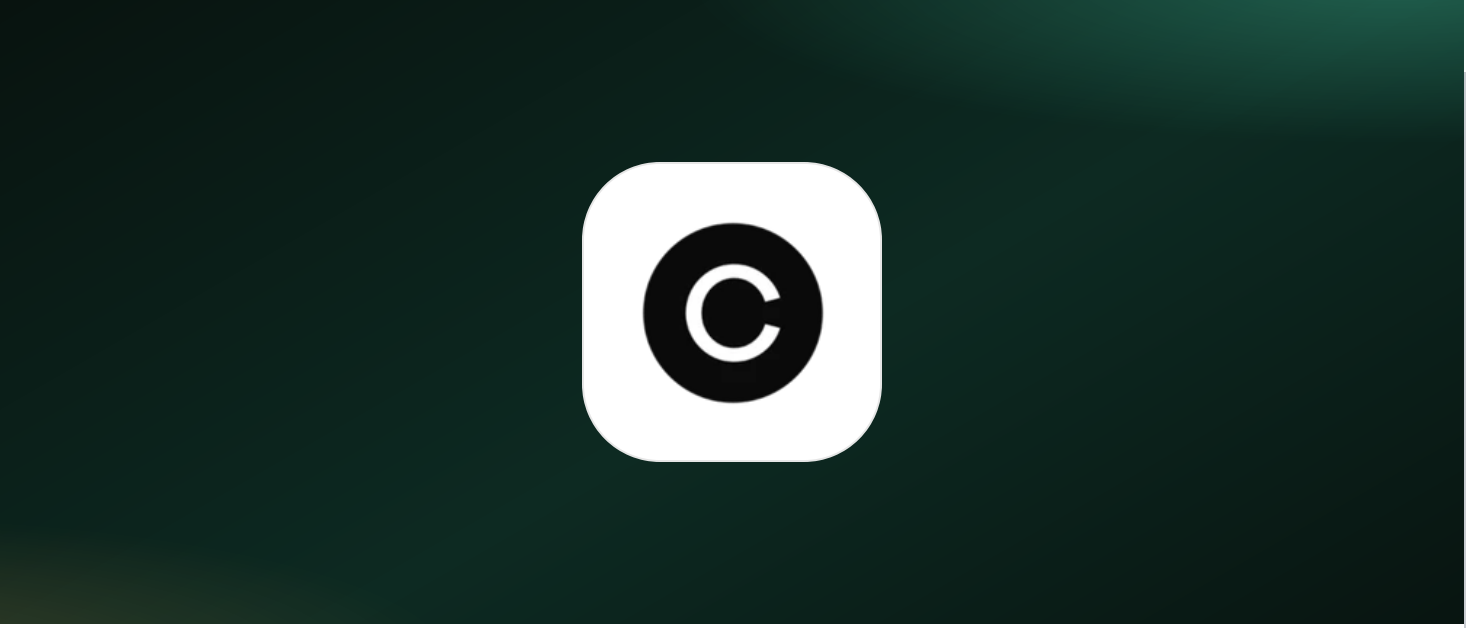


Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among print-on-demand and dropshipping services, read from Contrado's own pages.

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ToolGPA put this guide together from Contrado's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on Contrado'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 33 of the 70 other print-on-demand and dropshipping services we grade

Contrado prints custom products and fabric in its own facility and sells them through its site. Business routes include dropshipping, wholesale, and a store on its artist marketplace, where artists earn a commission on each sale.

To get you started, here are **8 things to know about Contrado**, taken from its own pages and our grades.

> **You have to design products, set prices and sync a store, so there is a setup job before the first sale.**
>
> From our grade for ease of use

1 **Best for made-to-order custom printing for artists**

Contrado prints made-to-order products in its own facility and sells them through an artist store, dropshipping or wholesale.

2 **It is free**

Contrado has no paid plan at all. Opening an artist store and dropshipping through the Shopify app are free to start; artists get a 20-25% base commission.

3 **It runs on Web**

Web.

4 **Artist marketplace store**

Open a store and sell your designs; set your own price to earn more than the base commission.

5 **Dropshipping**

Drop-ship orders with a minimum profit of 20%, per the page.

6 **Shopify app**

A free Contrado Shopify app syncs a store.

7 **A 2.4 GPA, above 33 of 70**

That is against the other print-on-demand and dropshipping services we grade, on value, the free plan, features, ease of use and platforms.

8 **Keep it**

Contrado is free, so making your own would save you nothing.

Contrado at a glance

PRICING Free	FREE PLAN Yes
FREE TRIAL None stated	RUNS ON Web
MADE BY Contrado Imaging Ltd	CATEGORY Print on Demand & Dropshipping
OUR GRADE 2.4 GPA, fair	

The report card

Best for made-to-order custom printing for artists

Contrado prints made-to-order products in its own facility and sells them through an artist store, dropshipping or wholesale. Opening an artist store costs nothing, but artists keep only a 20-25% base commission unless they

set their own price, the range is mostly clothing, homeware and fabric, and Shopify is the one store connection listed.

TOOLGPA REPORT CARD	Contrado	Graded Nov 13, 2026
SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	B	Opening an artist store is $0 and dropshipping through the Shopify app is free to start. The cost is the 20-25% base commission, and no per-item prices are listed.
Free plan and trial	B	The artist store and the Shopify app are free to start, with no card and no time limit. Anything you sell still pays Contrado its cut, so it is not a free ride.
Features	C	Artist store, dropshipping, wholesale and its own production in 1-3 days. The listing says the range is mostly clothing, homeware, accessories and fabric, which narrows what you can sell.
Ease of use	C	No store rating is on record. You have to design products, set prices and sync a store, so there is a setup job before the first sale.
Platforms and integrations	C	Web only, with one listed connection, the free Shopify app. No Etsy, Amazon or other marketplace link is on record.
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 Contrado is for

- ✓ Fits if you are an artist who wants a store without handling production
- ✓ Works for designers who sell fabric and home goods

Who it is not for

- ✗ Skip it if you sell on Etsy or Amazon, as Shopify is the only store connection listed
- ✗ Too light for sellers who want many product types, since the range is mostly clothing, homeware and fabric
- ✗ Tight if you live on commission: 20-25% base, paid within 14 days, unless you set your own price
- ✗ Watch out: the site serves several regions in local currencies, and the US dollar view was the one read

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ Artists who want a store without handling production
- ✓ Designers working with fabric and home goods

Worth knowing

- ⓘ Artist payouts are the vendor's stated 20-25% base commission, paid within 14 days.
- ⓘ The site serves several regions with regional currencies; the US dollar view was read.
- ⓘ Products are mostly clothing, homeware, accessories and fabric.

What it costs

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

Free

No paid plan at all

Contrado is free to use.

> **The artist store and the Shopify app are free to start, with no card and no time limit.**
>
> From our grade for free plan and trial

ARTIST STORE

$0

Sell your art on Contrado and earn a 20-25% base commission on each sale.

The free plan

Opening an artist store and dropshipping through the Shopify app are free to start; artists get a 20-25% base commission.

Read from contrado.com on Nov 13, 2026.

Ways to pay less

EDUCATION

Student discounts

The sell-your-art page offers student discounts on fabrics, branding materials and the marketplace.

Stated on contrado.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: Web

Made-to-order custom printing with dropshipping and artist stores. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: online store, print on demand, dropshipping.

> **The listing says the range is mostly clothing, homeware, accessories and fabric, which narrows what you can sell.**
>
> From our grade for features

Artist marketplace store

Open a store and sell your designs; set your own price to earn more than the base commission.

Dropshipping

Drop-ship orders with a minimum profit of 20%, per the page.

Shopify app

A free Contrado Shopify app syncs a store.

Wholesale

Bulk orders with discounts of up to 40%, with no minimum order on 450+ products.

Own production

Products are made to order in the vendor's facility in 1-3 days, it says.

Where it runs

Web

What it works with

Shopify

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PART 04 · STANDING

Where it stands

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

33/70

Other print-on-demand and dropshipping services it is graded above

Contrado's GPA of 2.4 is higher than 33 of the 70 other print-on-demand and dropshipping services we grade, and level with 11.

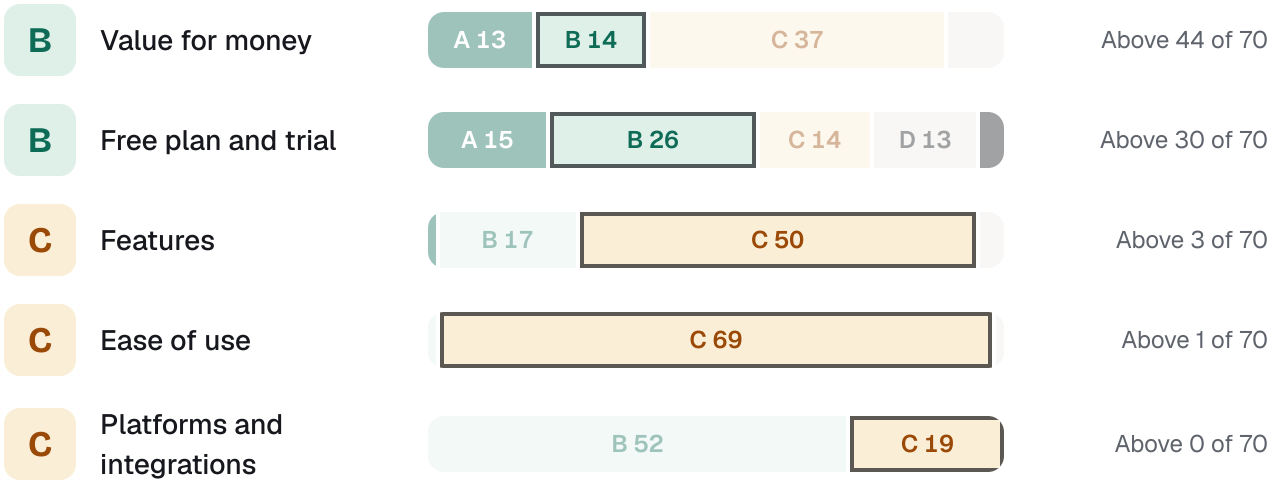
It stands best on value for money (B, above 44 of 70) and worst on platforms and integrations (C, above 0).

Contrado has no paid plan.

On features, ease of use and platforms it scores 2.0 out of 4. Nothing scores higher for less, though at least one tool matches that score at a lower price.

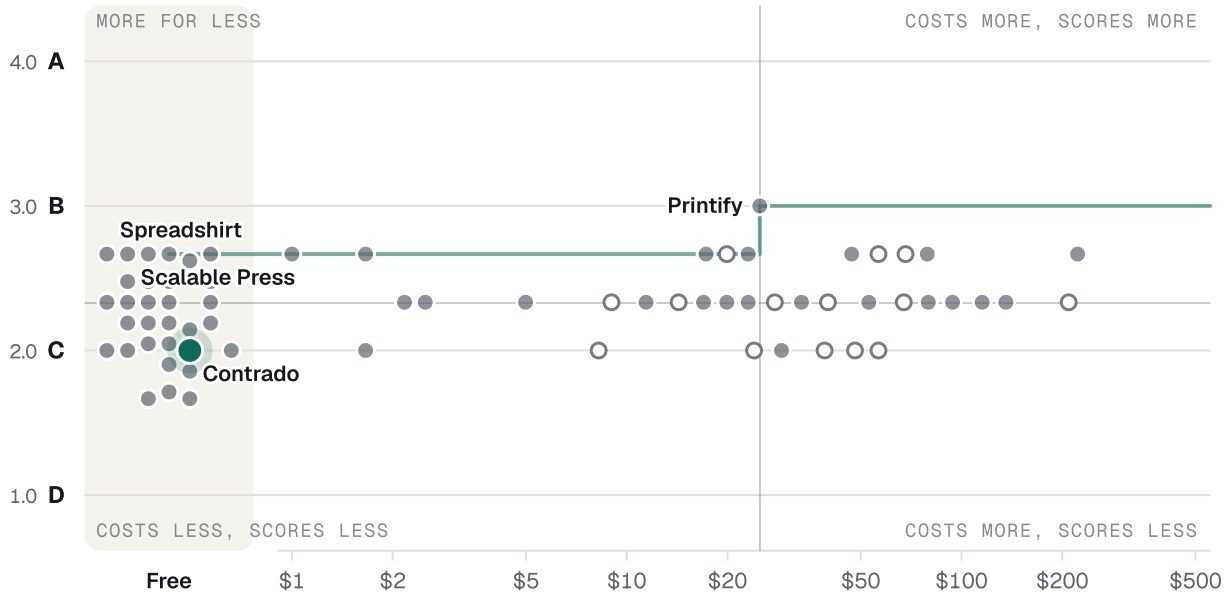
Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 71 print-on-demand and dropshipping services we grade, cut by the letter each got. Contrado's own letter is outlined.



Price against what you get

Each dot is one of 68 print-on-demand and dropshipping services. Further left costs less; higher up scores better on features, ease of use and platforms. Contrado 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

Contrado is free, so making your own would save you nothing.

And it is not the kind of software a weekend replaces.

What you could not

- ✕ Printers that make and ship each order.
- ✕ Suppliers who ship each order for you.
- ✕ Checkout, card payments and sales tax handled for you.

What this rests on. Contrado'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



Spreadshirt, Zazzle, Society6 and Printful

The 4 tools Contrado is most often weighed against, with where each one differs from it.

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Spreadshirt

Free

Free Spreadshop stores with print-on-demand apparel and gifts.

Contrado and Spreadshirt compared in full

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Zazzle

Free plan · from $19.95/yr

Marketplace where creators earn royalties on custom products.

- Contrado also covers dropshipping.

Contrado and Zazzle compared in full

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Society6

Free

Artist marketplace for wall art and home decor, with a curated shop.

- Contrado also covers dropshipping.

Contrado and Society6 compared in full



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Printful

Free plan · from $24.99/mo

Print-on-demand company that makes and ships orders in-house.

- Contrado also covers dropshipping.

Contrado and Printful 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 Contrado free?

Yes. Contrado is free to use.

How much does Contrado cost?

Contrado lists one plan. Artist store: $0.

What platforms does Contrado work on?

Contrado is available on Web.

Does Contrado offer any discounts?

Contrado publicly lists the following: Student discounts.

Does Contrado have an Android app?

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

Does Contrado have an iPhone app?

No iPhone app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. Contrado is listed for Web.

Is Contrado open source?

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

What does Contrado integrate with?

Contrado's listing names Shopify. A listing names up to eight integrations, so it may connect to more.

Does Contrado have a student discount?

Student discounts. The sell-your-art page offers student discounts on fabrics, branding materials and the marketplace.

Who makes Contrado?

Contrado is made by Contrado Imaging Ltd.

What are the alternatives to Contrado?

The closest alternatives to Contrado in our directory are Spreadshirt, Zazzle, Society6 and Printful.

How does Contrado compare with other print-on-demand and dropshipping services?

Contrado's GPA of 2.4 is higher than 33 of the 70 other print-on-demand and dropshipping services we grade, and level with 11.

Is Contrado good value for money?

ToolGPA grades Contrado B for value for money. Contrado has no paid plan.

Could I make my own version of Contrado?

Contrado is free, so making your own would save you nothing. And it is not the kind of software a weekend replaces.

Where this guide comes from

The prices, plans, platforms and features were read from Contrado'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 Contrado'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 Contrado Imaging Ltd. Prices change, so check contrado.com before you buy.

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contrado.com/sell-art-online

PART 07 · ABOUT

About ToolGPA

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

7,721

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**.

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

What else is on toolgpa.com

Contrado, kept up to date

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

toolgpa.com/tools/contrado

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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The best-graded print-on-demand and dropshipping services after Contrado, each with an Insider's Guide of its own.

Print on Demand & Dropshipping Insider's Guide

Every one of the 71 print-on-demand and dropshipping services we grade, compared

Printify Insider's Guide

Print-on-demand marketplace with 2,000+ products and 70+ printers

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CJdropshipping Insider's Guide

Dropshipping supplier and sourcing agent with factory-price products

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Printful Insider's Guide

Print-on-demand company that makes and ships orders in-house

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