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dupeGuru

The Insider's Guide

Free open-source tool that finds duplicate files by name or content



Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among desktop utilities, read from dupeGuru's own pages.

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ToolGPA put this guide together from dupeGuru's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on dupeGuru'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 154 of the 186 other desktop utilities we grade

dupeGuru is a cross-platform desktop tool for finding duplicate files. It can compare filenames, with fuzzy matching, or file contents, and has separate Music and Picture modes for tags and similar images. Found duplicates can be deleted, moved or copied. Its source is published on GitHub under the GPL-3.0 license.

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

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> **Scan modes and a fuzzy threshold to tune, and results to review by hand.**
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> From our grade for ease of use

1 **Best for finding duplicate files for free**

dupeGuru finds duplicate files by name or content, with separate music and picture modes, and it's free under GPL-3.0.

2 **It is free**

dupeGuru has no paid plan at all. The vendor's site lists downloads for each platform and no price or paid edition; the source is under GPL-3.0.

3 **It runs on 3 platforms**

macOS, Windows and Linux.

4 **Filename and content scans**

Scans either filenames or file contents. The filename scan uses fuzzy matching, so similar names are found as well as identical ones.

5 **Music mode**

Scans music tags and shows music-specific information in the duplicate results window.

6 **Picture mode**

Scans pictures fuzzily to find images that are similar but not exactly the same.

7 **A 3.0 GPA, above 154 of 186**

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

8 **Keep it**

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

dupeGuru at a glance

PRICING Free	FREE PLAN Yes
FREE TRIAL None stated	RUNS ON macOS, Windows, Linux
MADE BY dupeGuru open-source project	CATEGORY Desktop Utilities
OUR GRADE 3.0 GPA, very good	

The report card

Best for finding duplicate files for free

dupeGuru finds duplicate files by name or content, with separate music and picture modes, and it's free under GPL-3.0. But the site looks unmaintained, with a 2018 copyright line, and low-threshold fuzzy scans return false matches you have to review by hand.

TOOLGPA REPORT CARD	dupeGuru	Graded Nov 13, 2026

SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	A	Free under GPL-3.0, with no paid edition.
Free plan and trial	A	The whole program is free to download on every platform listed.
Features	B	Filename and content scans, music and picture modes, and delete, move or copy. Nothing in the listing is missing from the job.
Ease of use	C	Scan modes and a fuzzy threshold to tune, and results to review by hand. No store rating is on record.
Platforms and integrations	C	Mac, Windows and Linux, computers only. No phone or web version, and no ARM Mac build is listed.
Grade point average		Very good, out of 4.0 **3.0**

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 dupeGuru is for

- ✓ Fits if you want a free duplicate finder on Mac, Windows or Linux
- ✓ Works for sorting duplicate music and pictures

Who it is not for

- ✗ Skip it if you want an actively updated site: the copyright line reads 2018 and recent downloads are on GitHub
- ✗ Not for you if you have an Apple silicon Mac and want a native build, as none is listed
- ✗ Watch out: fuzzy scans at a low threshold return false duplicates you must check yourself
- ✗ Watch out: the site's own text disagrees about which platforms it runs on

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ People who want a free duplicate finder on Mac, Windows or Linux
- ✓ Photo and music collections with near-duplicate files
- ✓ Users who want to inspect or build the source

Worth knowing

- ⓘ The vendor's site is sparse and its copyright line reads 2018; recent downloads are on GitHub releases.
- ⓘ The Mac download is listed for macOS 10.12 or later, and the page lists no ARM-specific build.
- ⓘ Fuzzy scans at a low threshold can return false duplicates that you have to review by hand.
- ⓘ The site's own text is inconsistent about platforms: one paragraph also says it runs only on Mac OS X and Linux.

What it costs

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

Free

No paid plan at all

dupeGuru is free to use.

> **The whole program is free to download on every platform listed.**

From our grade for free plan and trial

DUPEGURU

$0

Free download for Windows, macOS and Ubuntu, with source code on GitHub.

The free plan

The vendor's site lists downloads for each platform and no price or paid edition; the source is under GPL-3.0.

Read from dupeguru.voltaicideas.net on Nov 13, 2026.

What it does

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

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Places it runs: macOS, Windows and Linux

Free open-source tool that finds duplicate files by name or content. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: open source, disk cleanup, file management.

> **Filename and content scans, music and picture modes, and delete, move or copy.**

From our grade for features

Filename and content scans

Scans either filenames or file contents. The filename scan uses fuzzy matching, so similar names are found as well as identical ones.

Music mode

Scans music tags and shows music-specific information in the duplicate results window.

Picture mode

Scans pictures fuzzily to find images that are similar but not exactly the same.

Safety features

A reference directory system and grouping system are meant to stop you deleting files you did not mean to.

Delete, move or copy

Duplicates can be deleted, moved or copied elsewhere, and results can be filtered and sorted to weed out false matches.

Where it runs

macOS Windows Linux

What it works with

Its own pages name no integrations.

dupeGuru is made by dupeGuru open-source project.

Where it stands

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

154/186

Other desktop utilities it is graded above

dupeGuru's GPA of 3.0 is higher than 154 of the 186 other desktop utilities we grade, and level with 27.

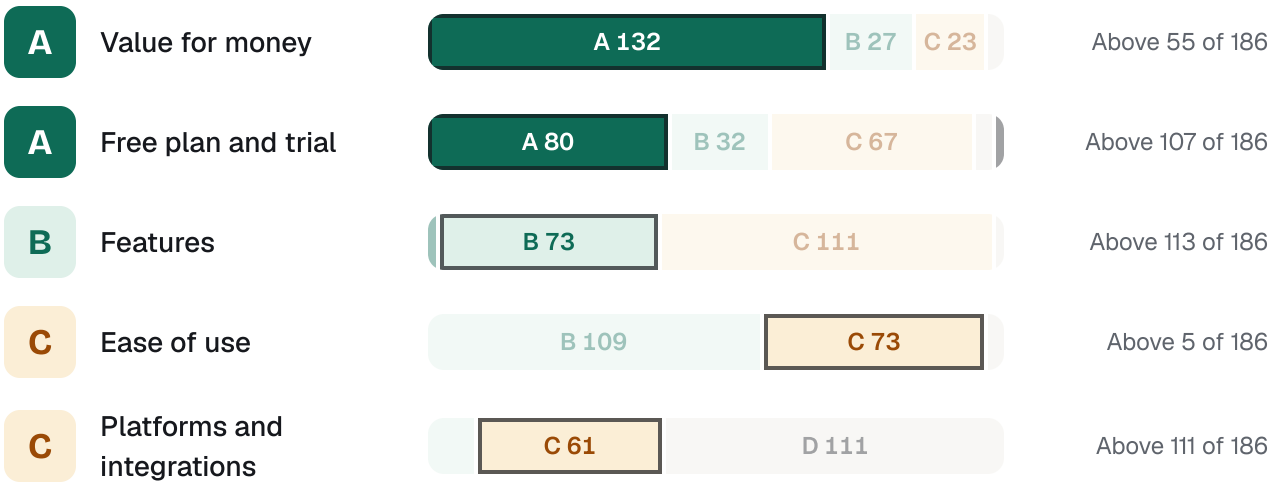
It stands best on free plan and trial (A, above 107 of 186) and worst on ease of use (C, above 5).

dupeGuru has no paid plan.

On features, ease of use and platforms it scores 2.3 out of 4. Nothing scores higher for less, though at least one tool matches that score at a lower price.

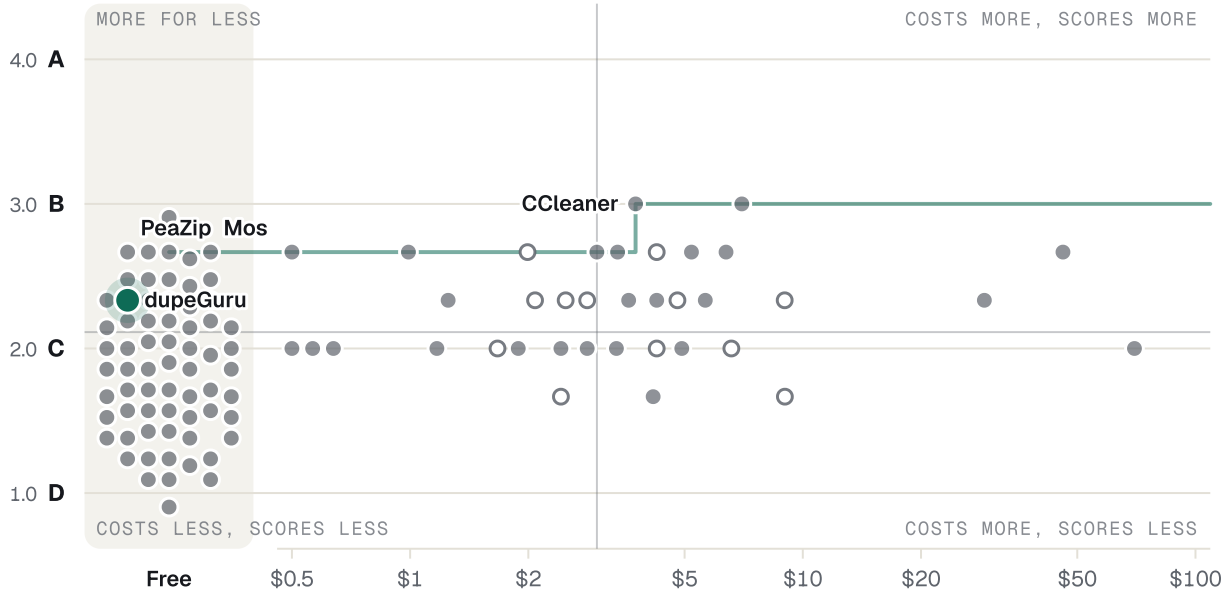
Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 187 desktop utilities we grade, cut by the letter each got. dupeGuru's own letter is outlined.



Price against what you get

Each dot is one of 103 desktop utilities. Further left costs less; higher up scores better on features, ease of use and platforms. dupeGuru 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

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

And it is not the kind of software a weekend replaces. It is one of the better ones too: its GPA of 3.0 is higher than 154 of the 186 other desktop utilities we grade.

What you could not

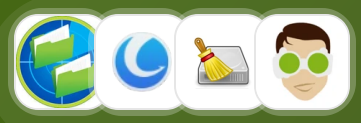
- A file manager working directly on your disk.
- Deleting system files without breaking anything.
- Apps for macOS, Windows and Linux that stay in step with each other.

- The depth: we grade its features B, which means it covers the whole job.

What this rests on. dupeGuru'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



Easy Duplicate Finder, Glary Utilities, BleachBit and Disk Drill

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



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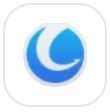
Easy Duplicate Finder

Free trial · from $39.95

Duplicate finder for files, photos, music and cloud drives.

- dupeGuru has a free plan. Easy Duplicate Finder does not, though it has a free trial.
- Only dupeGuru lists a Linux app.
- dupeGuru is open source, according to its own site.

dupeGuru and Easy Duplicate Finder compared in full



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Glary Utilities

Free plan · from $39.95/yr

Windows maintenance suite with registry, junk-file and startup tools.

- Only dupeGuru lists macOS and Linux apps.
- dupeGuru is open source, according to its own site.

dupeGuru and Glary Utilities compared in full



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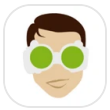
BleachBit

Free

Free, open-source disk cleaner for Windows and Linux.

- Only dupeGuru lists a macOS app.
- dupeGuru also covers file management.

dupeGuru and BleachBit compared in full



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Disk Drill

Free plan · from $49/yr

Data recovery app for Mac and Windows with free disk tools.

- Only dupeGuru lists a Linux app.
- dupeGuru is open source, according to its own site.
- Disk Drill can be bought with a one-time purchase.

dupeGuru and Disk Drill compared in full

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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 dupeGuru free?

Yes. dupeGuru is free to use. The vendor's site lists downloads for each platform and no price or paid edition; the source is under GPL-3.0.

How much does dupeGuru cost?

dupeGuru lists one plan. dupeGuru: $0. Prices were read from dupeguru.voltaicideas.net on Nov 13, 2026.

What platforms does dupeGuru work on?

dupeGuru is available on macOS, Windows and Linux.

Does dupeGuru have an Android app?

No Android app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. dupeGuru is listed for macOS, Windows and Linux.

Does dupeGuru have an iPhone app?

No iPhone app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. dupeGuru is listed for macOS, Windows and Linux.

Is dupeGuru open source?

Yes. dupeGuru is open source, according to its own site.

Who makes dupeGuru?

dupeGuru is made by dupeGuru open-source project.

What are the alternatives to dupeGuru?

The closest alternatives to dupeGuru in our directory are Easy Duplicate Finder, Glary Utilities, BleachBit and Disk Drill.

How does dupeGuru compare with other desktop utilities?

dupeGuru's GPA of 3.0 is higher than 154 of the 186 other desktop utilities we grade, and level with 27.

Is dupeGuru good value for money?

ToolGPA grades dupeGuru A for value for money. dupeGuru has no paid plan.

Could I make my own version of dupeGuru?

dupeGuru 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 dupeGuru'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 Hardcoded Software'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 dupeGuru open-source project. Prices change, so check dupeguru.voltaicideas.net before you buy.

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github.com/arsenetar/dupeguru

dupeguru.voltaicideas.net/downloads/

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

What else is on toolgpa.com

dupeGuru, kept up to date

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

toolgpa.com/tools/dupeguru

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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