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Fasthosts

The Insider's Guide

UK web hosting, domains, VPS and dedicated servers



Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among web hosts, read from Fasthosts's own pages.

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ToolGPA put this guide together from Fasthosts's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on Fasthosts'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 5 of the 122 other web hosts we grade

Fasthosts is a UK hosting company that sells shared web hosting in four tiers, WordPress hosting, VPS, dedicated and bare-metal servers, domains and email. Its web hosting plans run from data centres in the UK, include unlimited bandwidth and a free first-year domain, and carry a 30-day money-back guarantee.

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> **You pick a plan, point a domain and install your site, so there is setup to do.**
>
> From our grade for ease of use

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

1 **Best for cheap UK shared hosting for a first year**

Fasthosts is a UK host with four shared tiers, from 1 site on Start to 100 sites on Pro, and a 30-day money-back guarantee.

2 **Paid plans start at about $7.70 a month**

As its pricing page puts it: £5.75 per month after a first 3 months at £1, excluding VAT (Start).

3 **It runs on Web**

Web.

4 **Four shared hosting tiers**

Plans scale from 1 website on 100 GB to 100 websites on 500 GB, all with unlimited bandwidth and the OneClick app installer.

5 **UK data centres**

The site says hosting runs from UK data centres, with a Tier IV-certified Worcester facility and ISO 27001 certification.

6 **Free domain and SSL**

Each plan includes free first-year domains and free SSL certificates; Scale and Pro certificates last for the life of the package.

7 **A 1.6 GPA, above 5 of 122**

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

8 **Keep it**

To replace Fasthosts you would be making servers kept running, patched and backed up for you. That is not a weekend's work, with an AI app builder or without one.

Fasthosts at a glance

PRICING
Paid, from £5.75 per month after a first 3 months at £1, excluding VAT (Start)

FREE PLAN
No

FREE TRIAL
None stated

RUNS ON
Web

MADE BY
Fasthosts

CATEGORY
Web Hosting

OUR GRADE
1.6 GPA, weak

The report card

Best for cheap UK shared hosting for a first year

Fasthosts is a UK host with four shared tiers, from 1 site on Start to 100 sites on Pro, and a 30-day money-back guarantee. The £1 and 99p prices only last for the first 3 or 12 months, and there is no free plan or trial, so work out the renewal price before you sign.

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

SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	C	Start is £5.75 a month after the intro offer, excluding VAT, which puts it in the middle of what web hosts charge. The £1 for 3 months is a teaser, not the price.
Free plan and trial	F	No free plan and no trial. The 30-day money-back guarantee is a refund, not a free try.
Features	C	Four shared tiers with unlimited bandwidth, a free first-year domain, SSL and email. The listing does not record VPS and server prices, and Start gives you 1 site and 1 email address.
Ease of use	C	No store rating on record. You pick a plan, point a domain and install your site, so there is setup to do.
Platforms and integrations	C	A web control panel only, with links to WordPress, Acronis and Microsoft 365. No API or app is listed.
Grade point average		Weak, out of 4.0 **1.6**

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 Fasthosts is for

- ✓ Fits if you run one UK business site and want hosting, domain and email from one supplier
- ✓ Works for agencies that need up to 100 sites on the Pro plan

Who it is not for

- ✗ Pricey if you stay past the offer: Start renews at £5.75 and Pro at £20.50 a month, excluding VAT
- ✗ Watch out: the first-year domain is free, then it renews at the normal price, and it only covers .com, .uk, .co.uk and .online
- ✗ Skip it if you want to try before paying, as there is no free plan or trial
- ✗ Watch out: the VAT footnote on the plans page is garbled, so check the total at checkout
- ✗ Tight if you need a second email address on Start, which includes just 1

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ UK small businesses that want a low first-month price
- ✓ Agencies hosting many sites on one plan
- ✓ Customers who want domains, email and hosting from one UK supplier

Worth knowing

- ⓘ Prices shown appear to exclude 20% UK VAT, but the page's VAT footnote is garbled; the site offers a toggle to show VAT pricing.
- ⓘ The advertised £1 and 99p prices apply to the first 3 or 12 months only; the plan then renews at its regular price.
- ⓘ The free domain is for the first year and covers .com, .uk, .co.uk and .online.
- ⓘ VPS, dedicated and cloud server pricing is separate and was not recorded here.

PART 02 · PRICING

What it costs

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

~$7.70

A month to start

Fasthosts is a paid product, starting at £5.75 per month after a first 3 months at £1, excluding VAT (Start).

START

£5.75

per month, excluding VAT, after a first 3 months at £1

1 website, 100 GB SSD storage, unlimited bandwidth, 15 databases, 1 email address and a free first-year domain. Advertised at £1 a month for 3 months.

GROW

£8

per month, excluding VAT, after a first 12 months at 99p

3 websites, 250 GB SSD storage, 45 databases, 2 email addresses, 2 free domains and 2 free 1-year SSL certificates. Advertised at 99p a month for 12 months.

SCALE

£13.75

per month, excluding VAT, after a first 3 months at £1

10 websites, 350 GB SSD storage, 150 databases, 4 email addresses and 3 free domains, with Marketing Radar free for the first year.

PRO

£20.50

per month, excluding VAT, after a first 3 months at £1

100 websites, 500 GB SSD storage, 1,500 databases, 8 email addresses and 5 free domains, with Marketing Radar free for the first year.

Read from fasthosts.co.uk on Nov 13, 2026.

Ways to pay less

OTHER SAVINGS

£1 for the first 3 months on Start, Scale and Pro

The web hosting page advertises £1 a month for the first 3 months on Start, Scale and Pro, and 99p a month for 12 months on Grow.

Stated on fasthosts.co.uk

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

UK web hosting, domains, VPS and dedicated servers. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: AI features, app builder, managed WordPress.

> **Four shared tiers with unlimited bandwidth, a free first-year domain, SSL and email.**

From our grade for features

Four shared hosting tiers

Plans scale from 1 website on 100 GB to 100 websites on 500 GB, all with unlimited bandwidth and the OneClick app installer.

UK data centres

The site says hosting runs from UK data centres, with a Tier IV-certified Worcester facility and ISO 27001 certification.

Free domain and SSL

Each plan includes free first-year domains and free SSL certificates; Scale and Pro certificates last for the life of the package.

Servers beyond shared hosting

VPS, cloud VPS with pay-per-minute billing, dedicated servers, bare-metal servers and GPU servers are listed in its menu.

WordPress and site builders

The site also sells WordPress hosting, a website builder, an ecommerce builder and an AI App & Site Builder.

30-day guarantee

A 30-day money-back guarantee is stated on the web hosting page.

Where it runs

Web

What it works with

WordPress

Acronis

Microsoft 365

Fasthosts is made by Fasthosts.

PART 04 · STANDING

Where it stands

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

5/122

Other web hosts it is graded above

Fasthosts's GPA of 1.6 is higher than 5 of the 122 other web hosts we grade, and level with 23.

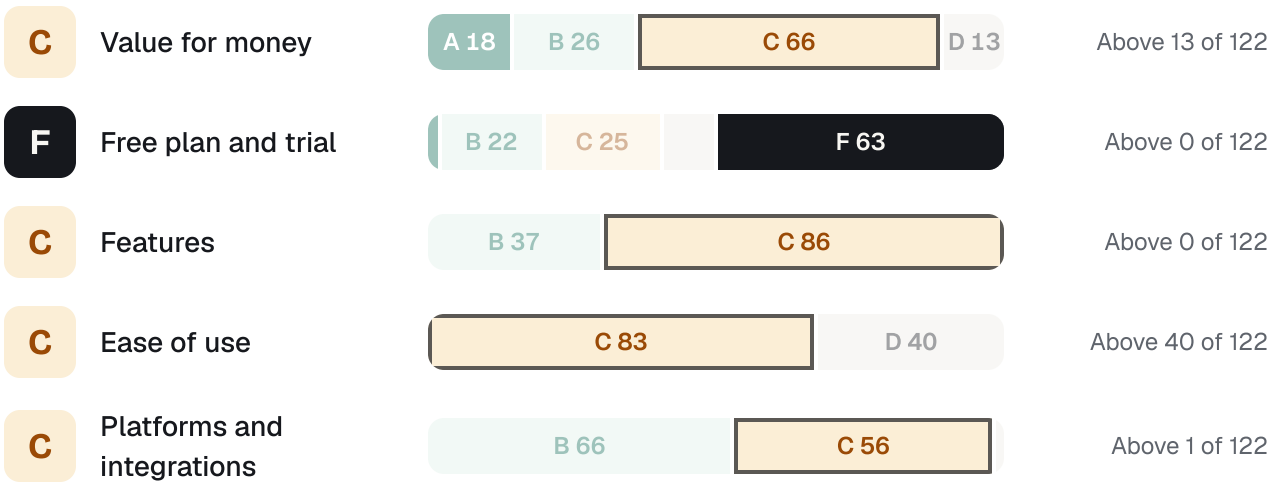
It stands best on ease of use (C, above 40 of 122) and worst on free plan and trial (F, above 0).

Its paid plans start at about $7.70 a month, against a middle price of $9.69 for the category: 46 of the 107 others that charge start lower.

On features, ease of use and platforms it scores 2.0 out of 4. 21 tools score higher and cost less.

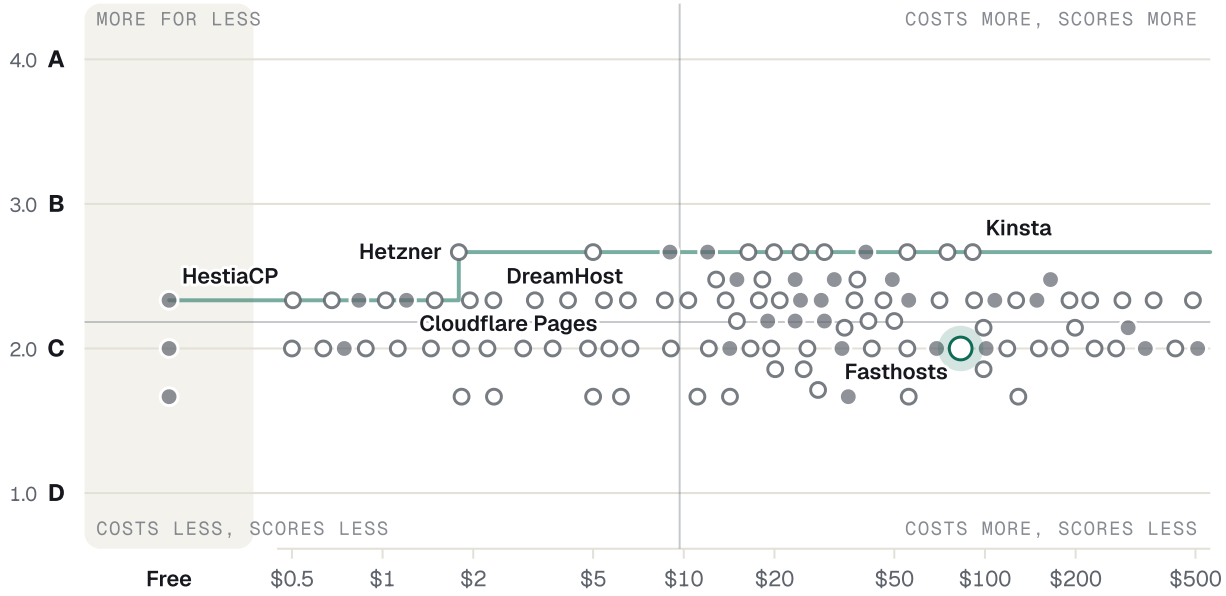
Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 123 web hosts we grade, cut by the letter each got. Fasthosts's own letter is outlined.



Price against what you get

Each dot is one of 111 web hosts. Further left costs less; higher up scores better on features, ease of use and platforms. Fasthosts 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 Fasthosts you would be making servers kept running, patched and backed up for you. 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: 94 of the 122 other web hosts grade higher. It costs $92.45 a year.

What you could not

- ✕ Servers kept running, patched and backed up for you.
- ✕ A tool that builds and hosts other apps.

- ✕ AI features, unless you pay a model provider for each request yourself.

What this rests on. Fasthosts'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



34SP, 20i, Krystal, 123 Reg and Heart Internet

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

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34SP

From £9.95/mo

UK web hosting with phone support and a 30-day refund.

- Fasthosts also covers app builder.
- 34SP also covers no-code.

Fasthosts and 34SP compared in full

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20i

From £10/mo

Autoscaling cloud web hosting with a free CDN and UK support.

- Fasthosts also covers app builder.
- 20i also covers malware protection.

Fasthosts and 20i compared in full

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Krystal

From £7/mo

UK cPanel web hosting on its own cloud, with phone support.

- Fasthosts also covers app builder.
- Krystal also covers malware protection.

Fasthosts and Krystal compared in full

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123 Reg

From £6.99/mo

UK domain registrar with shared cPanel web hosting plans.

- Fasthosts also covers app builder.
- 123 Reg also covers page speed.

Fasthosts and 123 Reg compared in full

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Heart Internet

From £5.99/mo

UK cPanel web hosting with NVMe storage and bundled email.

- Fasthosts also covers app builder.
- Heart Internet also covers page speed.

Fasthosts and Heart Internet 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 Fasthosts free?

No. Fasthosts is a paid product, starting at £5.75 per month after a first 3 months at £1, excluding VAT (Start).

How much does Fasthosts cost?

Fasthosts lists 4 plans. Start: £5.75 per month, excluding VAT, after a first 3 months at £1.

What platforms does Fasthosts work on?

Fasthosts is available on Web.

Does Fasthosts offer any discounts?

Fasthosts publicly lists the following: £1 for the first 3 months on Start, Scale and Pro.

Does Fasthosts have an Android app?

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

Does Fasthosts have an iPhone app?

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

Is Fasthosts open source?

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

What does Fasthosts integrate with?

Fasthosts's listing names WordPress, Acronis and Microsoft 365. A listing names up to eight integrations, so it may connect to more.

Who makes Fasthosts?

Fasthosts is made by a company of the same name.

What are the alternatives to Fasthosts?

The closest alternatives to Fasthosts in our directory are 34SP, 20i, Krystal, 123 Reg and Heart Internet.

How does Fasthosts compare with other web hosts?

Fasthosts's GPA of 1.6 is higher than 5 of the 122 other web hosts we grade, and level with 23.

Is Fasthosts good value for money?

ToolGPA grades Fasthosts C for value for money. Its paid plans start at about $7.70 a month, against a middle price of $9.69 for the category: 46 of the 107 others that charge start lower.

Could I make my own version of Fasthosts?

To replace Fasthosts you would be making servers kept running, patched and backed up for you.

Where this guide comes from

The prices, plans, platforms and features were read from Fasthosts'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 Fasthosts'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 Fasthosts. Prices change, so check fasthosts.co.uk before you buy.

fasthosts.co.uk/web-hosting

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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

Fasthosts, kept up to date

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

toolgpa.com/tools/fasthosts

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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Web Hosting Insider's Guide

Every one of the 123 web hosts we grade, compared

Cloudflare Pages Insider's Guide

Git-based hosting for static sites and full-stack apps

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GitHub Pages Insider's Guide

Static site hosting built into GitHub repositories

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Netlify Insider's Guide

Git-based hosting for sites and web apps, priced by monthly credits

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