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FlashBack

The Insider's Guide

Windows screen recorder with a built-in video editor



Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among screen recording and video tools, read from FlashBack's own pages.

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ToolGPA put this guide together from FlashBack's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on FlashBack'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 104 of the 133 other screen recording and video tools we grade

FlashBack Express, from Flashback, is a screen recorder and video editor for Windows. It captures the screen, webcam and audio, then lets you trim, add text and zoom effects, and export. It is sold as a one-year license or a lifetime license, and a free version is available to download.

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

> **No store rating on record, but it is a program you install and start recording with, with nothing to set up.**
>
> From our grade for ease of use

1 **Best for Windows screen recording with light editing**

FlashBack is a Windows screen recorder with a built-in editor, and its free plan records with no time limit.

2 **Paid plans start at $2.42 a month when paid by the year**

As its pricing page puts it: $29 per year (shown as $39 crossed out).

3 **There is a free plan**

Recording with no time limit, plus 10 minutes of AI subtitles and 7 minutes of AI voice changer.

4 **It runs on Windows**

Windows.

5 **Screen, webcam and audio capture**

Records a full screen, a window or a region, with webcam and system or microphone audio, and can capture them on separate tracks.

6 **Built-in video editing**

Trim clips, balance audio and add captions, titles, shapes and stickers to guide viewers through a recording.

7 **Zoom and spotlight**

The paid plans include zoom and spotlight effects to point viewers at the action, plus a Smart Zoom feature.

8 **A 2.8 GPA, above 104 of 133**

That is against the other screen recording and video tools we grade, on value, the free plan, features, ease of use and platforms.

9 **Keep it**

To replace FlashBack you would be making a video editor. That is not a weekend's work, with an AI app builder or without one.

FlashBack at a glance

PRICING Free plan, from $29 per year (shown as $39 crossed out)	FREE PLAN Yes
FREE TRIAL None stated	RUNS ON Windows
MADE BY Flashback	CATEGORY Screen Recording & Video
OUR GRADE 2.8 GPA, good	

The report card

Best for Windows screen recording with light editing

FlashBack is a Windows screen recorder with a built-in editor, and its free plan records with no time limit. It runs on Windows 10 and 11 only, and the AI subtitle and voice minutes are capped even on paid plans.

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

SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	A	$29 a year or $49 once, against a category middle of $14 a month and one-time prices around $37. A year costs about two months of the typical subscription.
Free plan and trial	B	The free plan records with no time limit and includes 10 minutes of AI subtitles and 7 of voice changer. You will hit the AI minute caps.
Features	B	Screen, webcam and audio capture, built-in editing, zoom and spotlight, scheduled and multi-monitor recording. Nothing in the core job of recording a screen is missing.
Ease of use	B	No store rating on record, but it is a program you install and start recording with, with nothing to set up.
Platforms and integrations	D	Windows 10 and 11 only, with no Mac version listed and no integrations.

Grade point average — Good, out of 4.0 **2.8**

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 FlashBack is for

- ✓ Fits if you record your Windows screen and want to trim the clip in the same program
- ✓ Works for people who want a one-time lifetime price

Who it is not for

- ✗ Skip it if you use a Mac, as the site lists no Mac version
- ✗ Tight if you use the AI tools, as subtitles are capped at 10 minutes free and 120 paid, and voice changer at 7 and 75
- ✗ Watch out: Flashback Connect, for private video storage and sharing, is a separate $4.95 a month add-on
- ✗ Watch out: business and site licenses are sold separately from the Personal plans
- ✗ Not for you if you want a mobile or web recorder, as only Windows is listed

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ Windows users making software tutorials and demos
- ✓ People who want a one-time purchase instead of a subscription
- ✓ Educators recording lessons, with an education license option

Worth knowing

- ⓘ Express is for Windows 10 and 11 only; the site lists no Mac version.
- ⓘ AI subtitle and voice changer minutes are capped: 10 and 7 on Free, 120 and 75 on paid plans, with more sold on request.
- ⓘ Flashback Connect, private video storage and sharing, is a separate $4.95 a month add-on.
- ⓘ Business and site licenses are sold separately from the Personal plans shown.

PART 02 · PRICING

What it costs

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

$2.42

A month to start, paid by the year.
There is a free plan too

FlashBack has a free plan. Paid plans start at $29 per year (shown as $39 crossed out).

> **A year costs about two months of the typical subscription.**
>
> From our grade for value for money

FREE

$0

Screen, webcam and audio recording with no recording time limit; 10 minutes of AI subtitles and 7 of AI voice changer.

1-YEAR

$29

per year, billed yearly

Adds multi-track editing, text, images and effects, and zoom and spotlight. Shown as $39 crossed out, no end date.

LIFETIME

$49

one-time payment

Lifetime access to Express V7 with the 1-Year features. Shown as $65 crossed out, no end date.

The free plan

Recording with no time limit, plus 10 minutes of AI subtitles and 7 minutes of AI voice changer.

Read from flashbackrecorder.com on Nov 13, 2026.

Ways to pay less

EDUCATION

Licensing for education

The pricing page links to licensing options for schools, colleges and universities, and to site licenses for organizations.

Stated on flashbackrecorder.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: Windows

Windows screen recorder with a built-in video editor. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: one-time purchase, AI features, transcription, screen recording, video editing.

> **Screen, webcam and audio capture, built-in editing, zoom and spotlight, scheduled and multi-monitor recording.**
>
> From our grade for features

Screen, webcam and audio capture

Records a full screen, a window or a region, with webcam and system or microphone audio, and can capture them on separate tracks.

Built-in video editing

Trim clips, balance audio and add captions, titles, shapes and stickers to guide viewers through a recording.

Zoom and spotlight

The paid plans include zoom and spotlight effects to point viewers at the action, plus a Smart Zoom feature.

AI subtitles and voice changer

The pricing page lists AI subtitles and an AI voice changer, with minute allowances that grow on paid plans.

Scheduled and multi-monitor recording

The comparison table lists scheduled recording, multi-monitor recording and cursor highlighting.

Where it runs

Windows

What it works with

Its own pages name no integrations.

FlashBack is made by Flashback.

Where it stands

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

104/133

Other screen recording and video tools it is graded above

FlashBack's GPA of 2.8 is higher than 104 of the 133 other screen recording and video tools we grade, and level with 15.

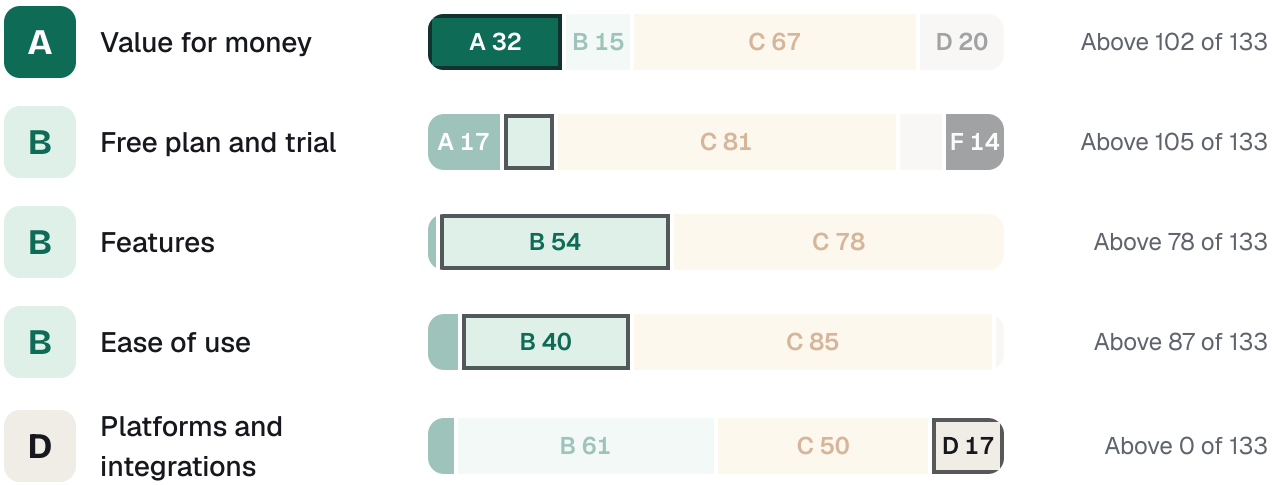
It stands best on value for money (A, above 102 of 133) and worst on platforms and integrations (D, above 0).

Its paid plans start at $2.42 a month when paid by the year, against a middle price of $12.25 for the category: 2 of the 88 others that charge start lower.

On features, ease of use and platforms it scores 2.3 out of 4. 1 tool scores higher and costs less.

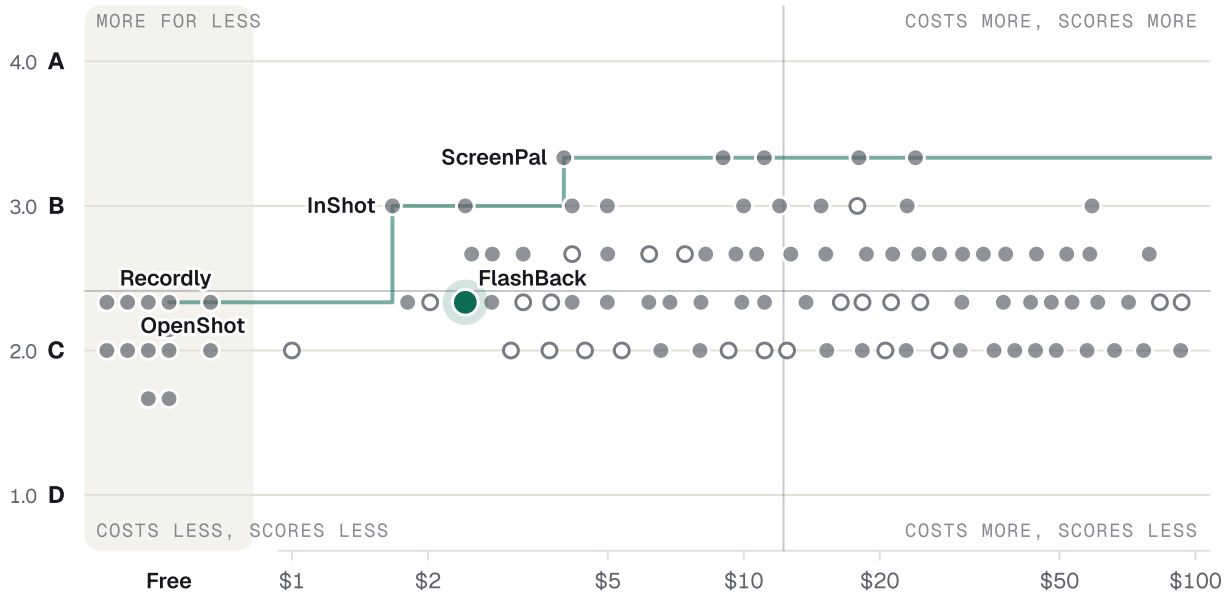
Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 134 screen recording and video tools we grade, cut by the letter each got. FlashBack's own letter is outlined.



Price against what you get

Each dot is one of 102 screen recording and video tools. Further left costs less; higher up scores better on features, ease of use and platforms. FlashBack 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 FlashBack you would be making a video editor. That is not a weekend's work, with an AI app builder or without one.

It is one of the better ones too: its GPA of 2.8 is higher than 104 of the 133 other screen recording and video tools we grade. It costs $29 a year.

What you could not

- ✕ A video editor.
- ✕ Recording the screen with its sound, and somewhere to keep the video.
- ✕ Speech turned into text you can trust.

- ✕ A real app for Windows. Something home-made would be a web page.
- ✕ AI features, unless you pay a model provider for each request yourself.
- ✕ The depth: we grade its features B, which means it covers the whole job.

What this rests on. FlashBack'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



Camtasia, Bandicam, ScreenPal, OBS Studio and Icecream Screen Recorder

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

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Camtasia

Free plan · from $39/yr

Screen recorder and video editor for tutorials and training videos.

- Only Camtasia lists a web app.
- Only Camtasia lists a macOS app.
- FlashBack can be bought with a one-time purchase.

FlashBack and Camtasia compared in full

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Bandicam

Free plan · from $33.26/yr

Screen, game and webcam recorder for Windows, with a Mac edition.

- Only Bandicam lists a macOS app.
- Bandicam also covers screenshots.

FlashBack and Bandicam compared in full



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ScreenPal

Free plan · from $4/mo

Screen recorder, video editor and video hosting in one low-cost suite.

- Only ScreenPal lists a web app.
- Only ScreenPal lists macOS, iOS and Android apps.
- Only ScreenPal lists a browser extension.

FlashBack and ScreenPal compared in full



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OBS Studio

Free

Free, open-source software for video recording and live streaming.

- Only OBS Studio lists macOS and Linux apps.
- FlashBack can be bought with a one-time purchase.
- OBS Studio is open source, according to its own site.

FlashBack and OBS Studio compared in full



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Icecream Screen Recorder

Free plan · from $29.95/yr

Free screen recorder for Windows with a paid Pro license.

- Only Icecream Screen Recorder lists macOS and Android apps.
- FlashBack also covers transcription.
- Icecream Screen Recorder also covers screenshots.

FlashBack and Icecream Screen Recorder 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 FlashBack free?

FlashBack has a free plan. Recording with no time limit, plus 10 minutes of AI subtitles and 7 minutes of AI voice changer.

How much does FlashBack cost?

FlashBack lists 3 plans. Free: $0.

What platforms does FlashBack work on?

FlashBack is available on Windows.

Does FlashBack offer any discounts?

FlashBack publicly lists the following: Licensing for education.

Does FlashBack have an Android app?

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

Does FlashBack have an iPhone app?

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

Is FlashBack open source?

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

Does FlashBack have a student discount?

Licensing for education. The pricing page links to licensing options for schools, colleges and universities, and to site licenses for organizations.

Who makes FlashBack?

FlashBack is made by Flashback.

What are the alternatives to FlashBack?

The closest alternatives to FlashBack in our directory are Camtasia, Bandicam, ScreenPal, OBS Studio and Icecream Screen Recorder.

How does FlashBack compare with other screen recording and video tools?

FlashBack's GPA of 2.8 is higher than 104 of the 133 other screen recording and video tools we grade, and level with 15.

Is FlashBack good value for money?

ToolGPA grades FlashBack A for value for money. Its paid plans start at $2.42 a month when paid by the year, against a middle price of $12.25 for the category: 2 of the 88 others that charge start lower.

Could I make my own version of FlashBack?

To replace FlashBack you would be making a video editor. That is not a weekend's work, with an AI app builder or without one.

Where this guide comes from

The prices, plans, platforms and features were read from FlashBack'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 FlashBack'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 Flashback. Prices change, so check flashbackrecorder.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.

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

FlashBack, kept up to date

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

toolgpa.com/tools/flashback

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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Prices and grades as they are today

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Every one of the 134 screen recording and video tools we grade, compared

DaVinci Resolve Insider's Guide

Video editing, color, effects and audio post-production in one app

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Zencastr Insider's Guide

Free podcast recording, chat-based editing and hosting in one app

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Cap Insider's Guide

Open-source screen recorder with instant share links and an editor

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