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gopass

The Insider's Guide

Command-line password manager built on Git and GPG



Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among password managers, read from gopass's own pages.

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ToolGPA put this guide together from gopass's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on gopass'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 21 of the 49 other password managers we grade

gopass is a free, open-source password manager for developers and power users that runs from the command line. Secrets are encrypted with GPG, stored locally and versioned with Git, with support for sharing a store with a team or family. Add-ons cover browser fill and Git credentials.

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

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> **It costs nothing, but setup needs GPG and a Git remote that you configure, there is no graphical app, and the site lists no phone apps.**
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> From our report card of gopass

1 **Best for terminal users sharing passwords through Git**

gopass is a command-line password store built on Git and GPG, with team and family sharing.

2 **It is free**

gopass has no paid plan at all. Free and open source, with no paid plans.

3 **It runs on 3 platforms**

macOS, Linux and Windows, with a browser extension too.

4 **Command-line first**

Commands such as list, show and generate cover everyday use, so a password can be fetched without leaving the terminal.

5 **GPG encryption**

Secrets are encrypted with GnuPG, and the site says data is stored locally and private keys stay on your machine.

6 **Git versioning**

The store is versioned with Git, giving a history of changes and a way to sync secrets across devices.

7 **A 2.6 GPA, above 21 of 49**

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

8 **Keep it**

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

gopass at a glance

PRICING Free	FREE PLAN Yes
FREE TRIAL None stated	RUNS ON macOS, Windows, Linux, Browser extension
MADE BY gopass project	CATEGORY Password Managers
OUR GRADE 2.6 GPA, good	

The report card

Best for terminal users sharing passwords through Git

gopass is a command-line password store built on Git and GPG, with team and family sharing. It costs nothing, but setup needs GPG and a Git

remote that you configure, there is no graphical app, and the site lists no phone apps.

TOOLGPA REPORT CARD	gopass	Graded Nov 13, 2026
SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	A	Free and open source with no paid plans, well under 60% of the cheaper quarter.
Free plan and trial	A	Free outright, with no plan, no cap and no account to open.
Features	C	It covers storing and sharing secrets from a terminal. Browser fill relies on a separate add-on and the site lists no graphical app.
Ease of use	D	Setup needs GPG and a Git remote you set up yourself. No store rating on record.
Platforms and integrations	C	Mac, Linux and Windows plus a browser add-on. No phone apps listed, so it is a computer-only tool.
Grade point average		Good, out of 4.0 **2.6**

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 gopass is for

- ✓ Fits if you work in a terminal and keep secrets in Git
- ✓ Makes sense if a small team shares credentials through an encrypted store

Who it is not for

- ✗ Not for you if you want a graphical app or a click-through setup
- ✗ Watch out: browser fill depends on the gopass-bridge add-on
- ✗ Skip it if you need phone apps, as the site lists none
- ✗ Tight if you do not want to run GPG keys and a Git remote

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ Developers who live in the terminal and use Git
- ✓ Small teams sharing credentials through an encrypted store
- ✓ People who want to avoid a hosted vault

Worth knowing

- ⓘ There is no graphical app on the site; browser fill depends on the gopass-bridge add-on.
- ⓘ Setup needs GPG and a Git remote that you configure yourself.
- ⓘ The site lists no mobile apps.

What it costs

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

Free

No paid plan at all

gopass is free to use.

> **Free outright, with no plan, no cap and no account to open.**
>
> From our grade for free plan and trial

FREE

$0

The full command-line tool, installed with a package manager such as Homebrew or pacman.

The free plan

Free and open source, with no paid plans.

Read from gopass.pw 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, Linux and Browser extension

Command-line password manager built on Git and GPG. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: open source, end-to-end encrypted, password manager.

> **It covers storing and sharing secrets from a terminal.**

From our grade for features

Command-line first

Commands such as list, show and generate cover everyday use, so a password can be fetched without leaving the terminal.

GPG encryption

Secrets are encrypted with GnuPG, and the site says data is stored locally and private keys stay on your machine.

Git versioning

The store is versioned with Git, giving a history of changes and a way to sync secrets across devices.

Team and family sharing

Secrets can be shared with other people while keeping them encrypted.

Add-ons

gopass-bridge fills passwords in Firefox and Chrome, git-credential-gopass serves Git tokens, and gopass-hibp checks for exposed passwords.

Where it runs

- macOS
- Windows
- Linux
- Browser extension

What it works with

- GnuPG
- Git
- Firefox
- Chrome

gopass is made by gopass project.

Where it stands

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

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Other password managers it is graded above

gopass's GPA of 2.6 is higher than 21 of the 49 other password managers we grade, and level with 6.

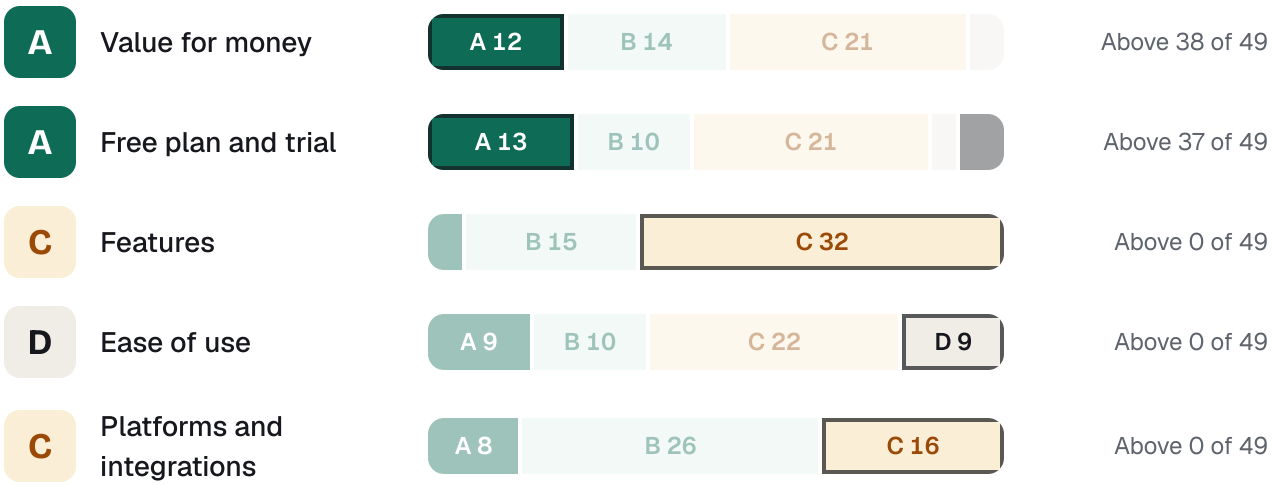
It stands best on value for money (A, above 38 of 49) and worst on ease of use (D, above 0).

gopass has no paid plan.

On features, ease of use and platforms it scores 1.7 out of 4. Nothing scores higher for less, though at least one tool matches that score at a lower price.

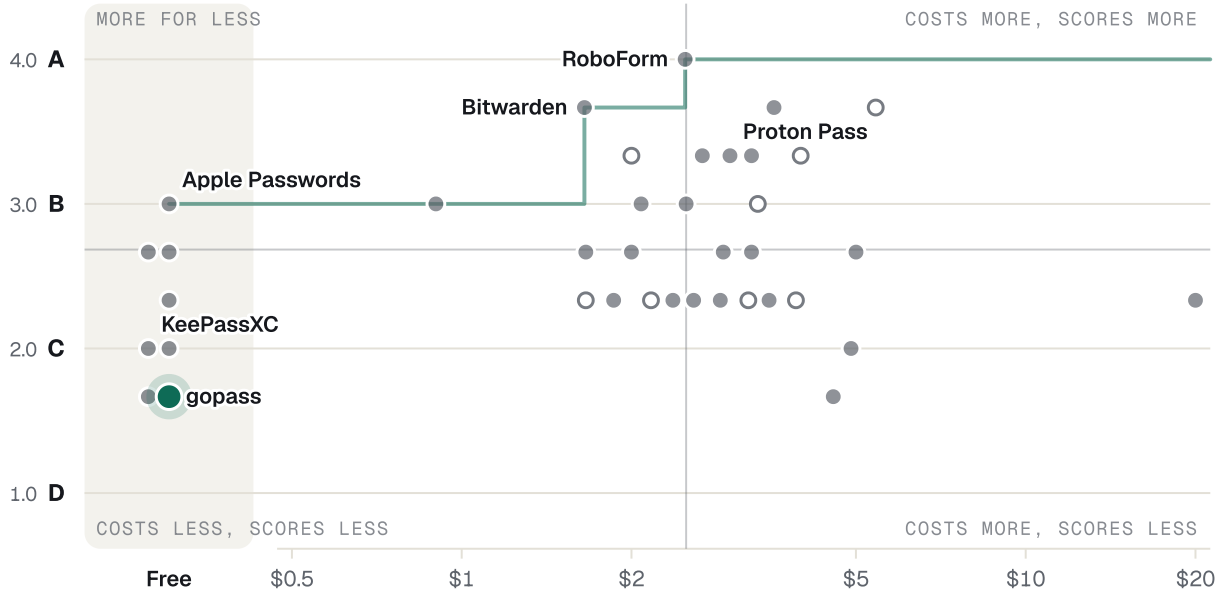
Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 50 password managers we grade, cut by the letter each got. gopass's own letter is outlined.



Price against what you get

Each dot is one of 38 password managers. Further left costs less; higher up scores better on features, ease of use and platforms. gopass 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

gopass 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

- A password vault, the last thing anyone should make for themselves.
- Apps for macOS, Windows and Linux that stay in step with each other.
- End-to-end encryption done properly.
- Sharing with other people, which means accounts and invitations.

What this rests on. gopass'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



pass, KeePassXC, Passbolt, Bitwarden and Psono

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

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pass

Free

Unix command-line password manager built on GPG and Git.

- Only gopass lists a Windows app.
- Only gopass lists a browser extension.
- gopass is end-to-end encrypted, according to its own site.

gopass and pass compared in full

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KeePassXC

Free

Free, open-source offline password manager for desktop.

- gopass is end-to-end encrypted, according to its own site.
- KeePassXC also covers passkeys.

gopass and KeePassXC compared in full



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Passbolt

Free plan · from $4.90/mo

Open-source password manager for teams, self-hosted or cloud.

- Only gopass lists macOS and Linux apps.
- Only Passbolt lists a web app.
- Only Passbolt lists iOS and Android apps.

gopass and Passbolt compared in full



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Bitwarden

Free plan · from $1.65/mo

Open-source password manager with a free plan and self-hosting.

- Only Bitwarden lists a web app.
- Only Bitwarden lists iOS and Android apps.
- Bitwarden is self-hostable, according to its own site.

gopass and Bitwarden compared in full



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Psono

Free plan · from $3/mo

Open-source password manager that a company runs on its own servers.

- Only Psono lists a web app.
- Only Psono lists iOS and Android apps.
- gopass is end-to-end encrypted, according to its own site.

gopass and Psono 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 gopass free?

Yes. gopass is free to use. Free and open source, with no paid plans.

How much does gopass cost?

gopass lists one plan. Free: $0.

What platforms does gopass work on?

gopass is available on macOS, Linux and Windows. It also has a browser extension.

Does gopass have an Android app?

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

Does gopass have an iPhone app?

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

Is gopass open source?

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

Is gopass end-to-end encrypted?

gopass describes itself as end-to-end encrypted on its own site. Nobody here has audited that.

What does gopass integrate with?

gopass's listing names GnuPG, Git, Firefox and Chrome. A listing names up to eight integrations, so it may connect to more.

Who makes gopass?

gopass is made by gopass project.

What are the alternatives to gopass?

The closest alternatives to gopass in our directory are pass, KeePassXC, Passbolt, Bitwarden and Psono.

How does gopass compare with other password managers?

gopass's GPA of 2.6 is higher than 21 of the 49 other password managers we grade, and level with 6.

Is gopass good value for money?

ToolGPA grades gopass A for value for money. gopass has no paid plan. On features, ease of use and platforms it scores 1.7 out of 4.

Could I make my own version of gopass?

gopass 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 gopass'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 the project 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 gopass project. Prices change, so check gopass.pw before you buy.

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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.

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

What else is on toolgpa.com

gopass, kept up to date

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

toolgpa.com/tools/gopass

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

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Every one of the 51 password managers we grade, compared

Bitwarden Insider's Guide

Open-source password manager with a free plan and self-hosting

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Apple Passwords Insider's Guide

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