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Habit Star

The Insider’s Guide

Habit and routine app for iPhone, iPad and Apple Watch



Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among habit trackers, read from Habit Star’s own pages.

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ToolGPA put this guide together from Habit Star's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on Habit Star'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 61 of the 64 other habit trackers we grade

Habit Star organizes habits by time of day, with routines, timers, a streak shield and stars earned for progress. Free covers unlimited habits and reminders; a one-time Pro purchase adds routines, Apple Watch, Apple Health, iCloud sync and trend views. The app keeps data on your phone, with no account.

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> **No account to make, so you install it and start.**
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> From our grade for ease of use

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

1 **Best for habits by time of day on iPhone**

Habit Star groups habits by time of day, with streak shields and stars, no account and no ads.

2 **What it costs**

Paid plans start at $9.99 once for Pro.

3 **There is a free plan**

Unlimited habits and reminders, areas, streak shield, stars, goals, widgets, Siri, Shortcuts and 18 themes, with no account or ads.

4 **It runs on iOS**

iOS.

5 **Habits by time of day**

Routines for morning, evening and other parts of the day show one habit at a time with a single reminder.

6 **Break habits and pauses**

Quit habits with slip counts and daily limits, and pause or skip a habit when sick or traveling.

7 **Streak shield and stars**

A shield covers a missed day when most of the last two weeks were kept, and stars are earned along the way.

8 **A 3.2 GPA, above 61 of 64**

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

9 **Your call**

A habit tracker at its plainest is a list of habits, a tick for each day and a count of the streak.

Habit Star at a glance

PRICING
Free plan, from $9.99 once for Pro

FREE PLAN
Yes

FREE TRIAL
14-day free trial of Pro, nothing charged and nothing renews

RUNS ON
iOS

MADE BY
Habit Star

CATEGORY
Habit Trackers

OUR GRADE
3.2 GPA, very good

The report card

Best for habits by time of day on iPhone

Habit Star groups habits by time of day, with streak shields and stars, no account and no ads. Free covers unlimited habits, and a one-time $9.99

Pro adds routines, Apple Watch, Apple Health, iCloud sync and trends. It's Apple only.

TOOLGPA REPORT CARD	Habit Star	Graded Nov 13, 2026
SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	A	Pro is $9.99 once with no renewal, under a year of the $4.99 middle subscription. The free part covers unlimited habits too.
Free plan and trial	A	Unlimited habits and reminders, goals, widgets and Siri, free, with no account or ads. Pro also has a 14-day trial.
Features	B	Habits by time of day, break habits, streak shield, widgets, Siri and a Watch app. Nothing in the listing shows a gap in the basics, though Health and sync sit in Pro.
Ease of use	B	No store rating on record. No account to make, so you install it and start.
Platforms and integrations	C	iPhone, iPad and Apple Watch with Apple Health and iCloud. No Android or web version.
Grade point average		Very good, out of 4.0 **3.2**

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 Habit Star is for

- ✓ Fits if you want your habits sorted into morning, afternoon and evening
- ✓ Works for people who'd rather pay once than subscribe

Who it is not for

- ✗ Skip it if you use Android or Windows, as it's Apple devices only
- ✗ Tight if you want sync, trends or Apple Watch for free, since they need Pro
- ✗ Watch out: data stays on your device, so backups depend on your own iCloud
- ✗ Watch out: the browser demo doesn't sync

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ Apple users who want a one-time price instead of a subscription
- ✓ Building routines around morning, evening and workout times

Worth knowing

- ⓘ iPhone, iPad and Apple Watch only; the browser demo is for demonstration and does not sync.
- ⓘ Routines, Apple Watch, Apple Health, iCloud sync and trends all need the Pro purchase.
- ⓘ Data stays on your device, so sync and backups depend on your own iCloud.

PART 02 · PRICING

What it costs

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

$9.99 one-time

To start. There is a free plan too

Habit Star has a free plan. Paid plans start at $9.99 once for Pro.

> **The free part covers unlimited habits too.**
>
> From our grade for value for money

FREE

$0

Unlimited habits and reminders, areas, goals, widgets, Siri and Shortcuts, and a daily backup to your own iCloud.

PRO

$9.99

one-time purchase, no renewal

Adds routines, workouts, timers, Apple Watch, Apple Health, iCloud sync, trends, calendar, journal and extra themes.

The free plan

Unlimited habits and reminders, areas, streak shield, stars, goals, widgets, Siri, Shortcuts and 18 themes, with no account or ads.

Trying it first

14-day free trial of Pro, nothing charged and nothing renews

Read from habitstar.app 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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Place it runs: iOS

Habit and routine app for iPhone, iPad and Apple Watch. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: local-first, daily notes, habit tracking, goals, reports.

> **Habits by time of day, break habits, streak shield, widgets, Siri and a Watch app.**

From our grade for features

Habits by time of day

Routines for morning, evening and other parts of the day show one habit at a time with a single reminder.

Break habits and pauses

Quit habits with slip counts and daily limits, and pause or skip a habit when sick or traveling.

Streak shield and stars

A shield covers a missed day when most of the last two weeks were kept, and stars are earned along the way.

Apple Health

Pro checks off habits from Health data such as steps, sleep, workouts and mindful minutes. Access is read-only.

Widgets, Siri and Watch

Check off habits from widgets, Siri phrases, Shortcuts, and with Pro the Apple Watch app.

Trends and journal

Pro shows when you usually do each habit, a month view, a timeline and a searchable journal.

Where it runs

iOS

What it works with

Apple Health
iCloud
Siri Shortcuts
Apple Watch

Habit Star is made by Habit Star.

Where it stands

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

61/64

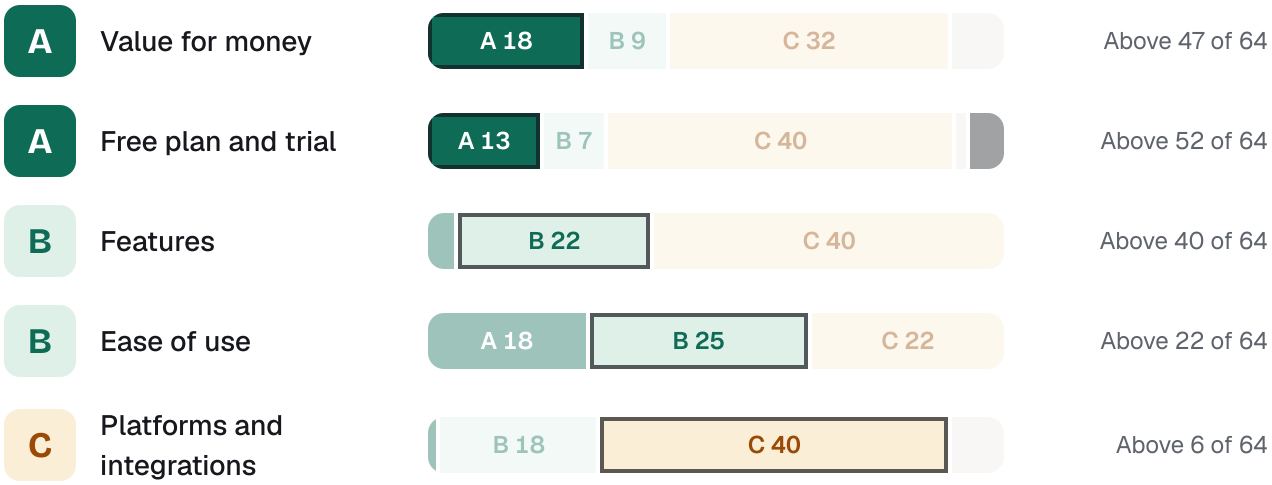
Other habit trackers it is graded above

Habit Star's GPA of 3.2 is higher than 61 of the 64 other habit trackers we grade, and level with 1.

It stands best on free plan and trial (A, above 52 of 64) and worst on platforms and integrations (C, above 6).

Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 65 habit trackers we grade, cut by the letter each got. Habit Star's own letter is outlined.



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.

Your call

A habit tracker at its plainest is a list of habits, a tick for each day and a count of the streak.

You could make the core of Habit Star for yourself: habit tracking, goals, daily notes and reports. What you would give up is listed below. Whether that is worth the price is your call. At $9.99, paid once, it costs less than the weekend it would take to replace, which is the argument for keeping it.

What you could make

- Habit tracking, goals, daily notes and reports: an app builder makes these well.

What you could not

- A real app for iOS. Something home-made would be a web page.
- Hooks into the device itself: an Apple Watch app, widgets and Siri.
- The depth: we grade its features B, which means it covers the whole job.

What this rests on. Habit Star'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



Streaks, HabitNow, HabitBoard, HabitKit and Way of Life

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

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Streaks

From $5.99 one-time

Habit tracker for Apple devices built around daily streaks.

- Habit Star has a free plan. Streaks does not.
- Only Streaks lists a macOS app.
- Streaks can be bought with a one-time purchase.

Habit Star and Streaks compared in full

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HabitNow

Free plan · from $0.99 one-time

Android habit tracker and to-do list with a one-time upgrade.

- Only Habit Star lists an iOS app.
- Only HabitNow lists an Android app.
- HabitNow can be bought with a one-time purchase.

Habit Star and HabitNow compared in full



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HabitBoard

Free plan

Habit tracker for iPhone, iPad and Apple Watch.

Habit Star and HabitBoard compared in full



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HabitKit

Free plan · from $0.99/mo

Habit tracker that shows each habit as a grid of daily tiles.

- Only HabitKit lists an Android app.
- HabitKit can be bought with a one-time purchase.
- Habit Star also covers daily notes and reports.

Habit Star and HabitKit compared in full



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Way of Life

Free plan · from $4.99

Color-coded habit tracker for building and breaking habits.

- Only Way of Life lists an Android app.
- Habit Star also covers daily notes and reports.

Habit Star and Way of Life 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 Habit Star free?

Habit Star has a free plan. Unlimited habits and reminders, areas, streak shield, stars, goals, widgets, Siri, Shortcuts and 18 themes, with no account or ads.

How much does Habit Star cost?

Habit Star lists 2 plans. Free: $0.

What platforms does Habit Star work on?

Habit Star is available on iOS.

Does Habit Star have an Android app?

No Android app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. Habit Star is listed for iOS.

Does Habit Star have a Windows app?

No Windows app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. Habit Star is listed for iOS.

Is Habit Star open source?

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

What does Habit Star integrate with?

Habit Star's listing names Apple Health, iCloud, Siri Shortcuts and Apple Watch.

Does Habit Star have a free trial?

Yes. 14-day free trial of Pro, nothing charged and nothing renews.

Who makes Habit Star?

Habit Star is made by a company of the same name.

What are the alternatives to Habit Star?

The closest alternatives to Habit Star in our directory are Streaks, HabitNow, HabitBoard, HabitKit and Way of Life.

How does Habit Star compare with other habit trackers?

Habit Star's GPA of 3.2 is higher than 61 of the 64 other habit trackers we grade, and level with 1.

Could I make my own version of Habit Star?

A habit tracker at its plainest is a list of habits, a tick for each day and a count of the streak.

Where this guide comes from

The prices, plans, platforms and features were read from Habit Star'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 Habit Star'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 Habit Star. Prices change, so check habitstar.app 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

Habit Star, kept up to date

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

toolgpa.com/tools/habit-star

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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Habit Trackers Insider's Guide

Every one of the 65 habit trackers we grade, compared



Finch Insider's Guide

Self-care app that ties daily goals to a virtual pet bird

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Habitica Insider's Guide

Habit and task tracker that works like a role-playing game

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HabitLab Insider's Guide

Free browser extension that cuts time on distracting sites

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