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OpenHands

The Insider's Guide

Open-source platform for AI coding agents and automations



Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among AI agents, read from OpenHands's own pages.

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The open platform for cloud coding agents.

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ToolGPA put this guide together from OpenHands's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on OpenHands's page too, where it is kept up to date. Checked Nov 12, 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 101 other AI agents we grade

OpenHands is an open platform for agentic software development. Its free, MIT-licensed Agent Canvas runs on your own machine with your own LLM key and any agent, while a Teams plan adds multi-user identity, built-in integrations and budgeting controls. Automations can start from GitHub, Slack, Jira, Linear or a schedule.

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> **No store rating, and the route is to self-host it on a laptop or shared VM.**
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> From our grade for ease of use

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

1 **Best for running coding agents on your own machine for free**

OpenHands is an open-source platform for coding agents, free to self-host on a laptop with your own LLM key.

2 **Paid plans start at $500 a month**

As its pricing page puts it: $500 per month for up to 10 users.

3 **There is a free plan**

Agent Canvas is free and open source (MIT) to self-host on a laptop or shared VM, with your own LLM key and a single shared identity.

4 **It runs on Web**

Web.

5 **Agent Canvas**

A workspace for chatting with coding agents, customizing them and setting automations, run locally with your own LLM key.

6 **Bring your own agent**

Use third-party agents such as Claude and Codex alongside OpenHands, with MCP servers and secrets on every plan.

7 **Event-driven automations**

Start work from GitHub, Slack, Jira, Linear, schedules or other integrations, such as PR review or CI-failure fixes.

8 **A 2.4 GPA, above 61 of 101**

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

9 **Keep it**

To replace OpenHands you would be making an AI agent, with the models and the safeguards behind it. That is not a weekend's work, with an AI app builder or without one.

OpenHands at a glance

PRICING Free plan, from $500 per month for up to 10 users	FREE PLAN Yes
FREE TRIAL None stated	RUNS ON Web
MADE BY OpenHands	CATEGORY AI Agents
OUR GRADE 2.4 GPA, fair	

The report card

Best for running coding agents on your own machine for free

OpenHands is an open-source platform for coding agents, free to self-host on a laptop with your own LLM key. Teams is $500 a month for up to 10 users, everything is self-hosted, and the free version has one shared identity and no roles.

TOOLGPA REPORT CARD — **OpenHands** — Graded Nov 12, 2026

SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	B	Agent Canvas is free (MIT) on your own machine, but the LLM bill is yours. Teams is $500 a month for 10 users, $50 a seat past that.
Free plan and trial	B	A free open-source program you can run on a laptop, with no caps, but with your own LLM key and one shared identity.
Features	C	Bring-your-own-agent canvas, event-driven automations and team controls. The listing's gaps: no roles or SSO on the free version and no vendor-hosted plan.
Ease of use	D	No store rating, and the route is to self-host it on a laptop or shared VM.
Platforms and integrations	B	Web, with GitHub, Slack, Jira, Linear and Notion listed, plus an SDK.
Grade point average		Fair, out of 4.0 **2.4**

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 OpenHands is for

- ✓ Fits if you can self-host and want coding agents on your own machine
- ✓ Makes sense if you already pay an LLM provider and want to use that key

Who it is not for

- ✕ Not for you if you want a hosted service, as the pricing page lists no vendor-hosted plan
- ✕ Tight if you grow, since Teams is capped at 10 users and 5,000 sessions a month
- ✕ Watch out: every plan needs your own LLM key and that cost is paid separately
- ✕ Watch out: SSO and roles are not in the free version

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ Developers who want a free, self-hosted coding agent with their own keys
- ✓ Engineering teams automating PR review, triage and CI fixes
- ✓ Organizations that need agents governed in their own environment

Worth knowing

- ⓘ You pay your LLM provider separately: every plan is bring-your-own-key.
- ⓘ Teams is capped at 10 users (+$50 a month per seat) and 5,000 sessions a month.
- ⓘ The free Agent Canvas has a single shared identity, with no user roles or SSO.
- ⓘ Teams and Enterprise are self-hosted; the pricing page lists no vendor-hosted plan.

PART 02 · PRICING

What it costs

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

$500

A month to start. There is a free plan too

OpenHands has a free plan. Paid plans start at $500 per month for up to 10 users.

> **Agent Canvas is free (MIT) on your own machine, but the LLM bill is yours.**
>
> From our grade for value for money

AGENT CANVAS

$0

Open source (MIT), self-hosted on your laptop or a shared VM; bring your own LLM key and agent.

TEAMS

$500

per month for up to 10 users

Self-hosted, multi-user RBAC, SSO/SAML, budgeting, built-in integrations; +$50 a month per extra seat.

ENTERPRISE

Custom

Unlimited seats and organizations, enterprise agreement, SLA-based support and a customer success manager.

The free plan

Agent Canvas is free and open source (MIT) to self-host on a laptop or shared VM, with your own LLM key and a single shared identity.

Read from openhands.dev on Nov 12, 2026.

Ways to pay less

OTHER SAVINGS

30-day trial of Teams

The Teams plan is listed with a 30-day trial that can be started from the pricing page.

Stated on openhands.dev

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

Open-source platform for AI coding agents and automations. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: open source, self-hostable, workflow automation, AI agents.

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Bring-your-own-agent canvas, event-driven automations and team controls.

From our grade for features

Agent Canvas

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Bring your own agent

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Event-driven automations

Start work from GitHub, Slack, Jira, Linear, schedules or other integrations, such as PR review or CI-failure fixes.

Team controls

Teams adds user identity and RBAC, SSO/SAML, budgeting and usage controls, and built-in OAuth integrations.

SDK and control plane

The product menu lists an SDK and an Agent Control Plane for building and governing agents across an organization.

Where it runs

Web

What it works with

GitHub · Slack · Jira · Linear · Notion · Claude · Codex

OpenHands is made by OpenHands.

PART 04 · STANDING

Where it stands

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

61/101

Other AI agents it is graded above

OpenHands's GPA of 2.4 is higher than 61 of the 101 other AI agents we grade, and level with 8.

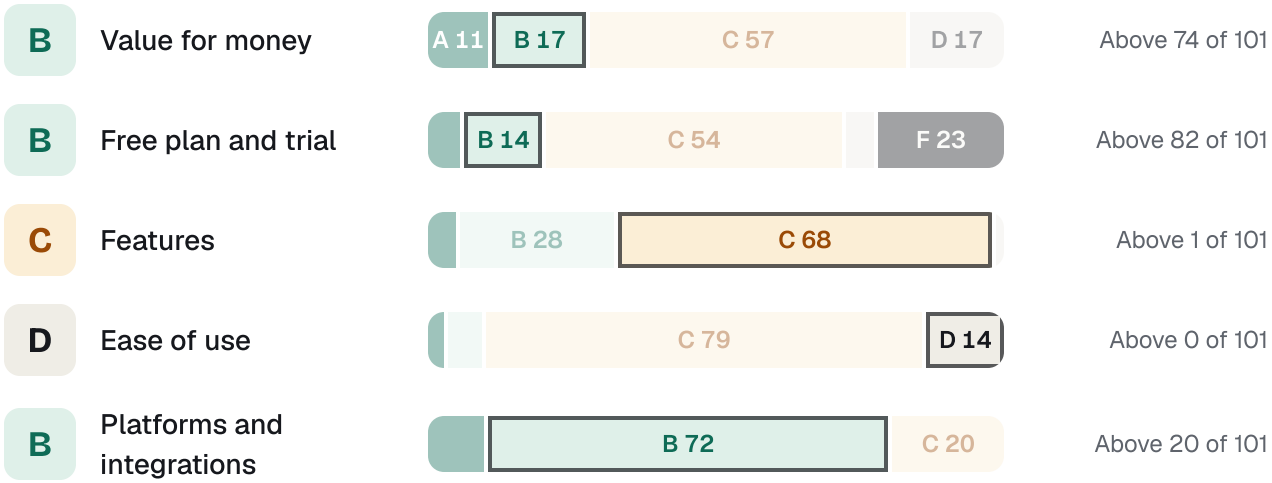
It stands best on free plan and trial (B, above 82 of 101) and worst on ease of use (D, above 0).

Its paid plans start at $500 a month, against a middle price of $22.13 for the category: 65 of the 65 others that charge start lower.

On features, ease of use and platforms it scores 2.0 out of 4. 57 tools score higher and cost less.

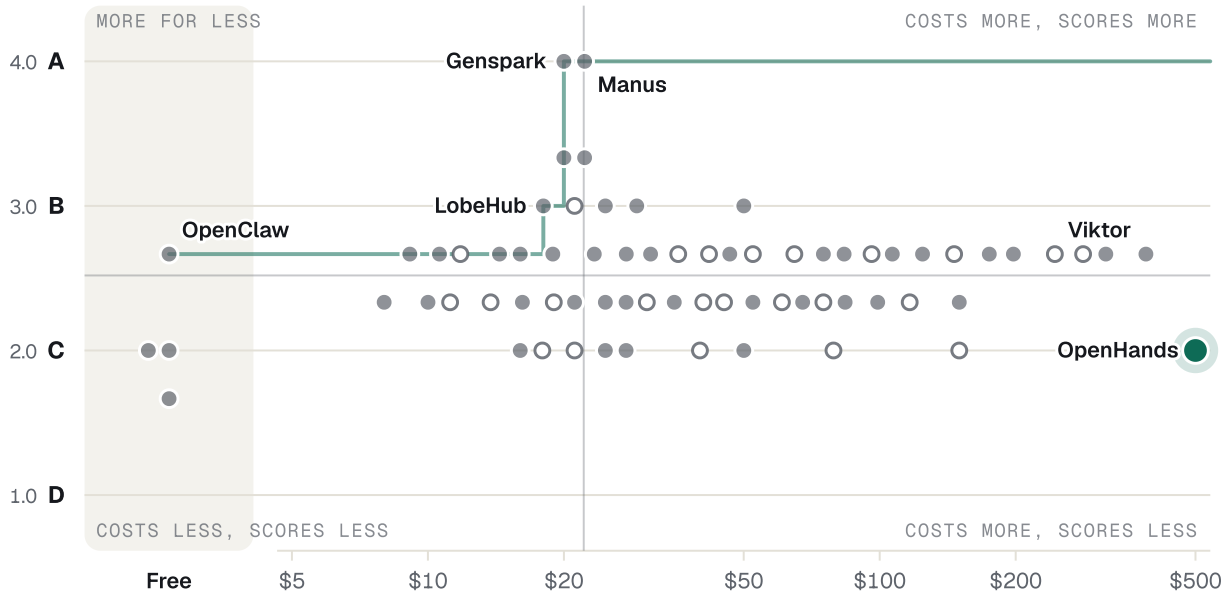
Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 102 AI agents we grade, cut by the letter each got. OpenHands's own letter is outlined.



Price against what you get

Each dot is one of 70 AI agents. Further left costs less; higher up scores better on features, ease of use and platforms. OpenHands 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 OpenHands you would be making an AI agent, with the models and the safeguards behind it. That is not a weekend's work, with an AI app builder or without one.

It costs $6,000 a year. OpenHands is open source, so there is a third way: take its code and run it yourself.

What you could not

- ✕ An AI agent, with the models and the safeguards behind it.
- ✕ Connections to other products, each kept working as those products change.

- ✕ What a company asks for before it lets staff use something: single sign-on.

What this rests on. OpenHands'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



Devin, Factory, Jules, Amp and goose

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

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Devin

Free plan · from $20/mo

Autonomous software engineer that runs in the cloud or locally.

- Only Devin lists macOS, Windows and Linux apps.
- OpenHands is open source and self-hostable, according to its own site.
- OpenHands also covers workflow automation.

OpenHands and Devin compared in full

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Factory

Free plan · from $20/mo

Coding agents called Droids for desktop, terminal and web.

- Only Factory lists macOS, Windows and Linux apps.
- OpenHands is open source and self-hostable, according to its own site.

OpenHands and Factory compared in full



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Jules

Free plan

Google's asynchronous coding agent that opens pull requests.

- OpenHands is open source and self-hostable, according to its own site.

OpenHands and Jules compared in full



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Amp

Free plan · from $20/mo

Coding agent that runs in cloud machines it calls orbs.

- Only Amp lists macOS, Windows, Linux, iOS and Android apps.
- OpenHands is open source and self-hostable, according to its own site.

OpenHands and Amp compared in full



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goose

Free

Open-source AI agent with a desktop app, CLI and API.

- Only OpenHands lists a web app.
- Only goose lists macOS, Windows and Linux apps.
- OpenHands is self-hostable, according to its own site.

OpenHands and goose 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 OpenHands free?

OpenHands has a free plan. Agent Canvas is free and open source (MIT) to self-host on a laptop or shared VM, with your own LLM key and a single shared identity.

How much does OpenHands cost?

OpenHands lists 3 plans. Agent Canvas: $0.

What platforms does OpenHands work on?

OpenHands is available on Web.

Does OpenHands offer any discounts?

OpenHands publicly lists the following: 30-day trial of Teams.

Does OpenHands have an Android app?

No Android app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 12, 2026. OpenHands is listed for Web.

Does OpenHands have an iPhone app?

No iPhone app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 12, 2026. OpenHands is listed for Web.

Is OpenHands open source?

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

What does OpenHands integrate with?

OpenHands's listing names GitHub, Slack, Jira, Linear, Notion, Claude and Codex.

Who makes OpenHands?

OpenHands is made by a company of the same name.

What are the alternatives to OpenHands?

The closest alternatives to OpenHands in our directory are Devin, Factory, Jules, Amp and goose.

How does OpenHands compare with other AI agents?

OpenHands's GPA of 2.4 is higher than 61 of the 101 other AI agents we grade, and level with 8.

Is OpenHands good value for money?

ToolGPA grades OpenHands B for value for money. Its paid plans start at $500 a month, against a middle price of $22.13 for the category: 65 of the 65 others that charge start lower.

Could I make my own version of OpenHands?

To replace OpenHands you would be making an AI agent, with the models and the safeguards behind it.

Where this guide comes from

The prices, plans, platforms and features were read from OpenHands's own pages on Nov 12, 2026, and the grades were given on Nov 12, 2026. Graded from this listing, whose facts were read from OpenHands's own pages on 12 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 OpenHands. Prices change, so check openhands.dev before you buy.

openhands.dev/pricing

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PART 07 · ABOUT

About ToolGPA

Who made this guide, what else is on the site, and how to cite it

5,038

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.

5,038	95	739	579
tools graded	categories	price changes on record	apps priced in 12 countries

What else is on toolgpa.com

OpenHands, kept up to date

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

toolgpa.com/tools/openhands

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 102 AI agents we grade, compared

Genspark Insider's Guide

AI workspace with an agent for research, slides, sheets and docs

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General AI agent for research, slides, websites and browser tasks

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OpenClaw Insider's Guide

Open-source personal AI agent you run yourself and message in chat

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