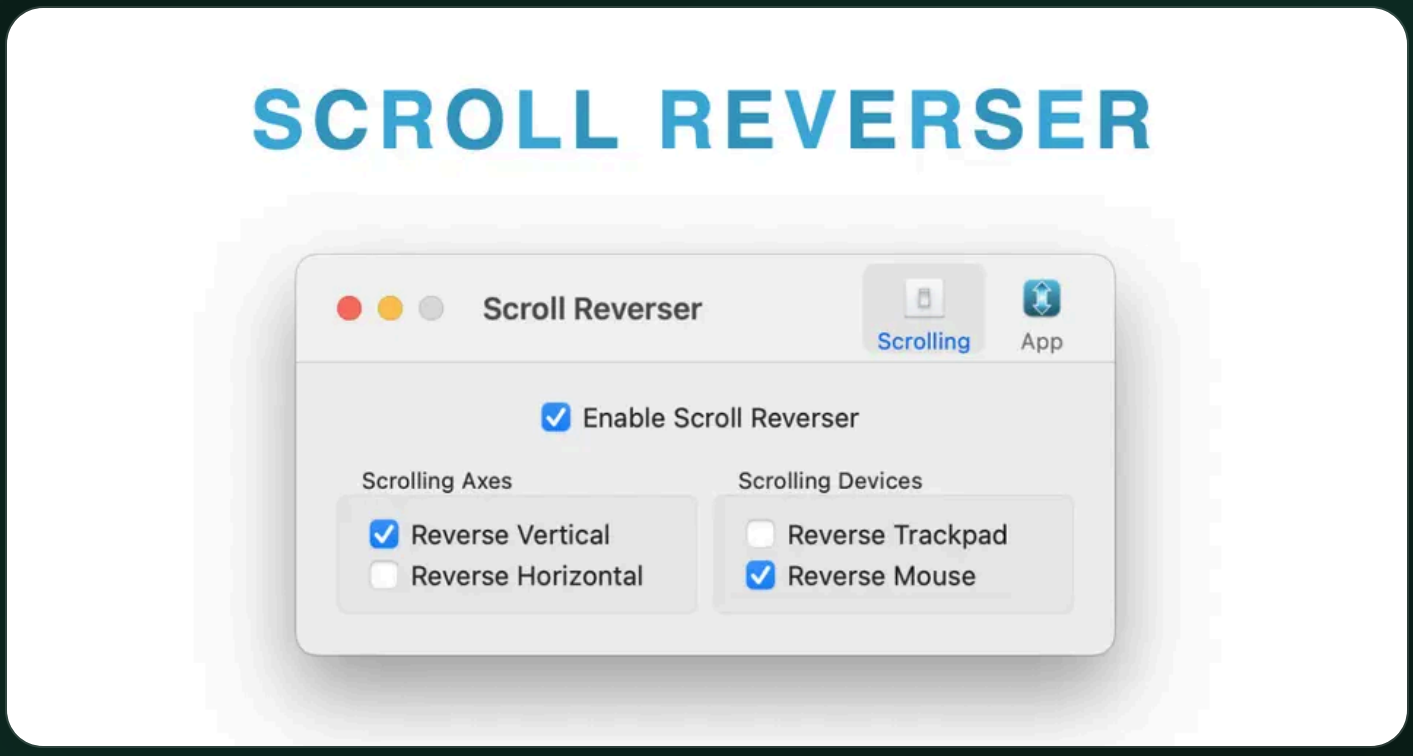
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Scroll Reverser

The Insider's Guide

Mac menu bar app that sets scroll direction per device

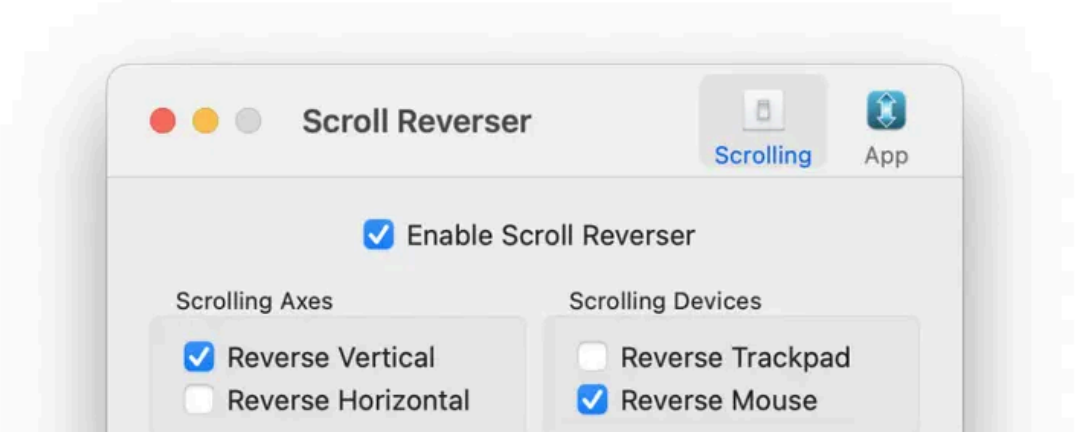


Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among desktop utilities, read from Scroll Reverser's own pages.

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

ToolGPA put this guide together from Scroll Reverser's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on Scroll Reverser'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 154 of the 186 other desktop utilities we grade

Scroll Reverser is a macOS utility that lets the trackpad and the mouse scroll in different directions. Each connected device gets its own vertical and horizontal setting, and wheel mice can scroll a fixed number of lines per click. It is free and its source code is published on GitHub under the Apache License 2.0.

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

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> **But swipe gestures can't be reversed, and it is Mac only.**
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> From our report card of Scroll Reverser

1 **Best for different scroll directions for mouse and trackpad**

Scroll Reverser lets a Mac's trackpad and mouse scroll in different directions, and it is free and open source.

2 **It is free**

Scroll Reverser has no paid plan at all. The whole app is free; the author accepts voluntary donations.

3 **It runs on macOS**

macOS.

4 **Separate direction per device**

Choose Natural, Classic or Unchanged for each trackpad and mouse. By default trackpads use Natural and mice use Classic.

5 **Horizontal scrolling control**

Horizontal scrolling follows the vertical setting by default and can be set to Reversed or Unchanged in the settings popover.

6 **Step size for wheel mice**

Scrolls a fixed number of lines with each wheel click instead of macOS scroll acceleration. The control can be turned off.

7 **A 3.0 GPA, above 154 of 186**

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

8 **Keep it**

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

Scroll Reverser at a glance

PRICING Free	FREE PLAN Yes
FREE TRIAL None stated	RUNS ON macOS
MADE BY Pilotmoon Software, since 2011	CATEGORY Desktop Utilities
OUR GRADE 3.0 GPA, very good	

The report card

Best for different scroll directions for mouse and trackpad

Scroll Reverser lets a Mac's trackpad and mouse scroll in different directions, and it is free and open source. But swipe gestures can't be reversed, and it is Mac only.

TOOLGPA REPORT CARD	Scroll Reverser	Graded Nov 13, 2026

SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	A	Free under Apache 2.0, with voluntary donations.
Free plan and trial	A	The whole app is free, and donations are voluntary, so nothing is charged on record.
Features	C	Separate direction per device, horizontal control and wheel step size. It does that job fully, but it is a smaller one.
Ease of use	B	Install and tick a box: nothing to set up. No store rating is on record.
Platforms and integrations	C	Mac only, macOS 13.5 or later for version 2.1.1. Intel and Apple silicon builds.
Grade point average		Very good, out of 4.0 **3.0**

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 Scroll Reverser is for

- ✓ Fits if you use a trackpad and a mouse on the same Mac and want opposite scroll directions
- ✓ Works for people who want an AppleScript on/off switch

Who it is not for

- ✗ Skip it if you want swipe gestures reversed, as they follow the system Scroll Direction setting
- ✗ Not for you if you use Windows or Linux, since it is Mac only
- ✗ Watch out: it doesn't work in iPhone Mirroring or Calendar, which scroll by gesture
- ✗ Watch out: it needs macOS 13.5 or later

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ Mac users who want natural scrolling on the trackpad and classic scrolling on a mouse
- ✓ People who keep a wheel mouse on a laptop and want fixed scroll steps
- ✓ Anyone who prefers a small, free utility with public source code

Worth knowing

- ⓘ Swipe gestures cannot be reversed; they follow the system Scroll Direction setting.
- ⓘ Does not work in iPhone Mirroring or Calendar, which use gesture-based scrolling rather than scroll events.
- ⓘ Version 2.1.1 requires macOS 13.5 or later; the page lists Intel and Apple silicon builds.
- ⓘ Mac only, with no Windows or Linux version.

What it costs

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

Free

No paid plan at all

Scroll Reverser is free to use.

> **The whole app is free, and donations are voluntary, so nothing is charged on record.**

From our grade for free plan and trial

FREE

$0

Full app, open source under Apache 2.0.
Voluntary donations are accepted.

The free plan

The whole app is free; the author accepts voluntary donations.

Read from pilotmoon.com 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: macOS

Mac menu bar app that sets scroll direction per device. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: open source, menu bar app, keyboard and mouse remapping.

> **Separate direction per device, horizontal control and wheel step size.**

From our grade for features

Separate direction per device

Choose Natural, Classic or Unchanged for each trackpad and mouse. By default trackpads use Natural and mice use Classic.

Horizontal scrolling control

Horizontal scrolling follows the vertical setting by default and can be set to Reversed or Unchanged in the settings popover.

Step size for wheel mice

Scrolls a fixed number of lines with each wheel click instead of macOS scroll acceleration. The control can be turned off.

Scrolling from apps

Scroll events that come from other apps, such as remote access software, can be reversed or left unchanged.

AppleScript on/off switch

An enabled property lets a script turn the app on or off.

Where it runs

macOS

What it works with

Its own pages name no integrations.

Scroll Reverser is made by Pilotmoon Software, and has been around since 2011.

PART 04 · STANDING

Where it stands

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

154/186

Other desktop utilities it is graded above

Scroll Reverser's GPA of 3.0 is higher than 154 of the 186 other desktop utilities we grade, and level with 27.

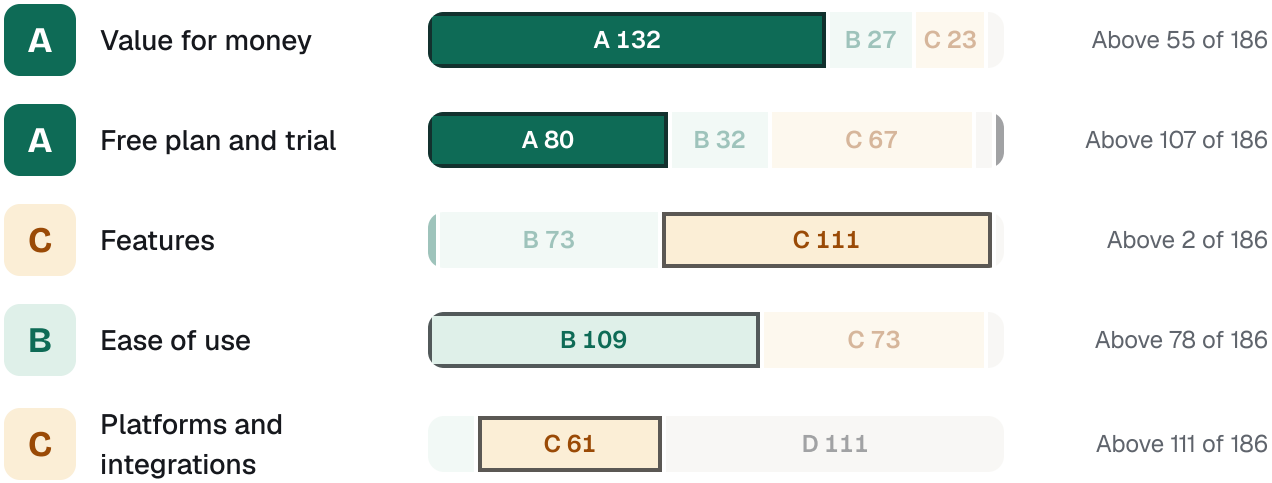
It stands best on free plan and trial (A, above 107 of 186) and worst on features (C, above 2).

Scroll Reverser has no paid plan.

On features, ease of use and platforms it scores 2.3 out of 4. Nothing scores higher for less, though at least one tool matches that score at a lower price.

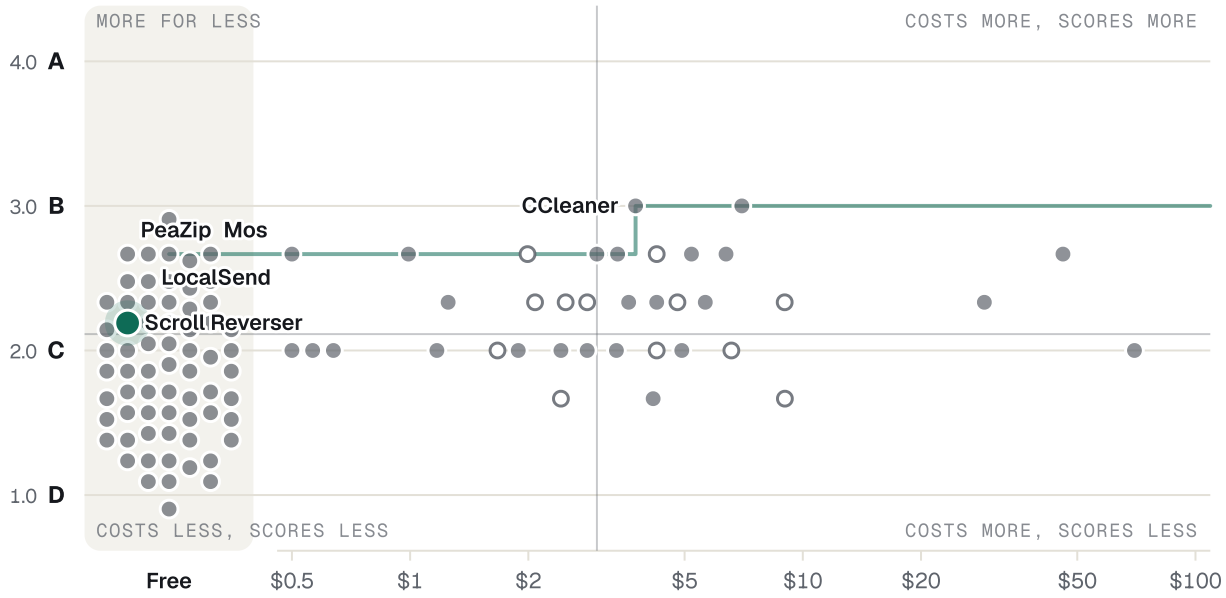
Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 187 desktop utilities we grade, cut by the letter each got. Scroll Reverser's own letter is outlined.



Price against what you get

Each dot is one of 103 desktop utilities. Further left costs less; higher up scores better on features, ease of use and platforms. Scroll Reverser 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

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

And it is not the kind of software a weekend replaces. It is one of the better ones too: its GPA of 3.0 is higher than 154 of the 186 other desktop utilities we grade.

What you could not

- ✕ Keys and buttons remapped below the level of apps.
- ✕ A native app living in the menu bar.
- ✕ A real app for macOS. Something home-made would be a web page.

What this rests on. Scroll Reverser'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



Mos, LinearMouse, Mac Mouse Fix, SteerMouse and Smooze

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

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Mos

Free

Free Mac menu bar utility for smooth mouse wheel scrolling.

Scroll Reverser and Mos compared in full

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LinearMouse

Free

Free, open-source mouse and trackpad customizer for Mac.

- Scroll Reverser also covers menu bar app.

Scroll Reverser and LinearMouse compared in full

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Mac Mouse Fix

Free trial · from $2.99 one-time

Trackpad-style gestures and smooth scrolling for third-party mice.

- Scroll Reverser has a free plan. Mac Mouse Fix does not, though it has a free trial.
- Mac Mouse Fix can be bought with a one-time purchase.
- Scroll Reverser also covers menu bar app.

Scroll Reverser and Mac Mouse Fix compared in full

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SteerMouse

Free trial · from $19.99 one-time

Mac utility for customizing mouse buttons, wheels and cursor speed.

- Scroll Reverser has a free plan. SteerMouse does not, though it has a free trial.
- Scroll Reverser is open source, according to its own site.
- SteerMouse can be bought with a one-time purchase.

Scroll Reverser and SteerMouse compared in full

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Smooze

Free trial · from $19.99 one-time

Mac app for smooth scrolling and mouse button actions.

- Scroll Reverser has a free plan. Smooze does not, though it has a free trial.
- Scroll Reverser is open source, according to its own site.
- Smooze can be bought with a one-time purchase.

Scroll Reverser and Smooze 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 Scroll Reverser free?

Yes. Scroll Reverser is free to use.

How much does Scroll Reverser cost?

Scroll Reverser lists one plan. Free: $0.

What platforms does Scroll Reverser work on?

Scroll Reverser is available on macOS.

Does Scroll Reverser have an Android app?

No Android app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. Scroll Reverser is listed for macOS.

Does Scroll Reverser have an iPhone app?

No iPhone app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. Scroll Reverser is listed for macOS.

Is Scroll Reverser open source?

Yes. Scroll Reverser is open source, according to its own site.

Who makes Scroll Reverser?

Scroll Reverser is made by Pilotmoon Software. It dates from 2011.

What are the alternatives to Scroll Reverser?

The closest alternatives to Scroll Reverser in our directory are Mos, LinearMouse, Mac Mouse Fix, SteerMouse and Smooze.

How does Scroll Reverser compare with other desktop utilities?

Scroll Reverser's GPA of 3.0 is higher than 154 of the 186 other desktop utilities we grade, and level with 27.

Is Scroll Reverser good value for money?

ToolGPA grades Scroll Reverser A for value for money. Scroll Reverser has no paid plan.

Could I make my own version of Scroll Reverser?

Scroll Reverser 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 Scroll Reverser'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 Pilotmoon Software'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 Pilotmoon Software. Prices change, so check pilotmoon.com before you buy.

pilotmoon.com/scrollreverser/

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

Scroll Reverser, kept up to date

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

toolgpa.com/tools/scroll-reverser

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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Desktop Utilities Insider's Guide

Every one of the 187 desktop utilities we grade, compared

Just Color Picker Insider's Guide

Free portable color picker and editor for Windows and macOS

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LocalSend Insider's Guide

Open-source file sharing between nearby devices, no cloud

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Mos Insider's Guide

Free Mac menu bar utility for smooth mouse wheel scrolling

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