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Trac

The Insider's Guide

Open source wiki and issue tracker for software projects



Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among project management tools, read from Trac's own pages.

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ToolGPA put this guide together from Trac's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on Trac'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 38 of the 149 other project management tools we grade

Trac is an open source system that pairs a wiki with an issue tracker for software development projects. It links tickets, commits, files and wiki pages together, reads from Subversion and Git repositories, and keeps a timeline and roadmap of project events. It is released under the modified BSD license.

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

> **You install and run it yourself, there is no hosted version, and it has no boards, sprints or Gantt charts.**
>
> From our report card of Trac

1 **Best for a free wiki and issue tracker you host yourself**

Trac is an open source wiki and ticket tracker for software projects, free under a BSD licence, with source browsing for Subversion and Git.

2 **It is free**

Trac has no paid plan at all.

3 **It runs on Web**

Web.

4 **Integrated wiki**

Wiki markup works in pages, ticket descriptions and commit messages, creating links between bugs, tasks, changesets, files and wiki pages.

5 **Ticket tracking**

Tickets record bugs and tasks, with convenient reporting facilities to list and filter them.

6 **Source browsing**

A repository interface works with Subversion and Git, or other version control systems through plugins.

7 **A 2.2 GPA, above 38 of 149**

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

8 **Keep it**

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

Trac at a glance

PRICING Free	FREE PLAN It is free
FREE TRIAL None stated	RUNS ON Web
MADE BY Edgewall Software	CATEGORY Project Management
OUR GRADE 2.2 GPA, fair	

The report card

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TOOLGPA REPORT CARD	Trac	Graded Nov 12, 2026
SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	C	Free to download, but it only works once you host it on your own server, so it is a C under the ladder.
Free plan and trial	A	Nothing to pay at all. The project site lists no paid edition.
Features	C	Wiki, tickets, timeline, roadmap and source browser. No boards, sprints or Gantt on the project's pages.
Ease of use	D	You install and run it yourself, and support is mailing lists, IRC and the project wiki.
Platforms and integrations	C	Web only, linking to Subversion and Git.
Grade point average		Fair, out of 4.0 **2.2**

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 Trac is for

- ✓ Fits if you want a plain ticket and wiki system on your own server
- ✓ Works for software teams already comfortable running their own tools

Who it is not for

- ✕ Skip it if you want hosted software, as the project site offers no hosted service
- ✕ Too light for boards, sprints or Gantt charts, which its pages do not list
- ✕ Not for you if you want paid support, since help comes from lists and a wiki
- ✕ Skip it if you do not run servers, as you install and maintain it

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ Developers who want a wiki and tickets tied to their repository
- ✓ Teams that prefer a minimal tool that does not impose a process
- ✓ Open source projects hosting their own tracker

Worth knowing

- ⓘ You install and run it yourself; the project site offers no hosted service.
- ⓘ It has no boards, sprints or Gantt charts on the project's pages; it is a ticket and wiki system.
- ⓘ Support comes from mailing lists, an IRC channel and the project wiki, not from a paid vendor.

What it costs

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

Free

No paid plan at all

Trac is free to use.

> **Free to download, but it only works once you host it on your own server, so it is a C under the ladder.**
>
> From our grade for value for money

OPEN SOURCE

$0

Free to download and install yourself under the modified BSD license. No hosted edition is listed.

Read from trac.edgewall.org on Nov 12, 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: Web

Open source wiki and issue tracker for software projects. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: open source, self-hostable, wiki, issue tracking, reports.

> **Wiki, tickets, timeline, roadmap and source browser.**

From our grade for features

Integrated wiki

Wiki markup works in pages, ticket descriptions and commit messages, creating links between bugs, tasks, changesets, files and wiki pages.

Ticket tracking

Tickets record bugs and tasks, with convenient reporting facilities to list and filter them.

Source browsing

A repository interface works with Subversion and Git, or other version control systems through plugins.

Timeline

A chronological view shows current and past project events, which gives a quick overview of progress.

Roadmap

The roadmap lists upcoming milestones so the team can see what is planned next.

Where it runs

Web

What it works with

Subversion

Git

Trac is made by Edgewall Software.

Where it stands

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

38/149

Other project management tools it is graded above

Trac's GPA of 2.2 is higher than 38 of the 149 other project management tools we grade, and level with 31.

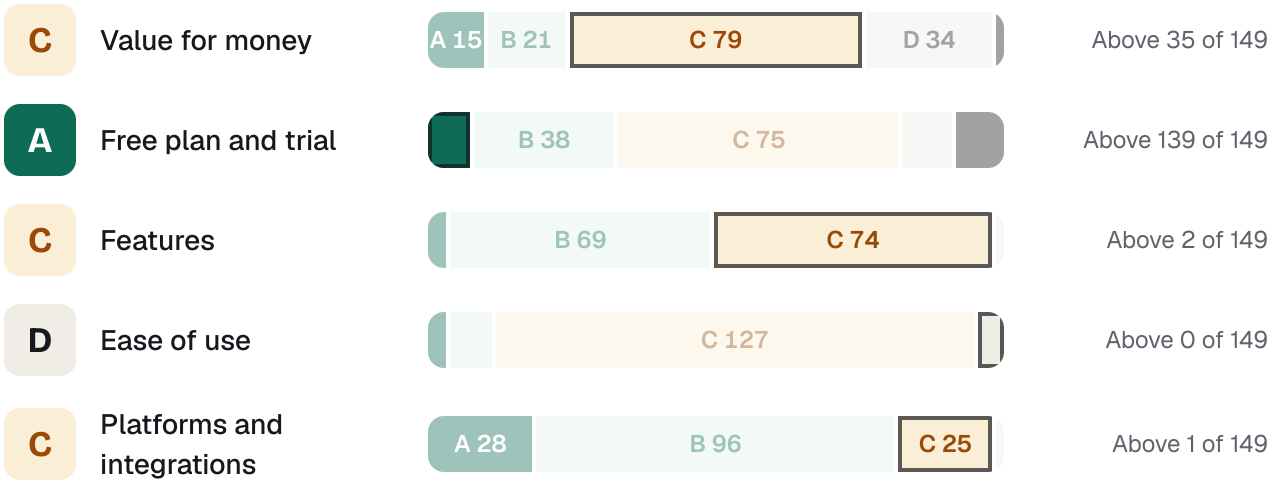
It stands best on free plan and trial (A, above 139 of 149) and worst on ease of use (D, above 0).

Trac 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.

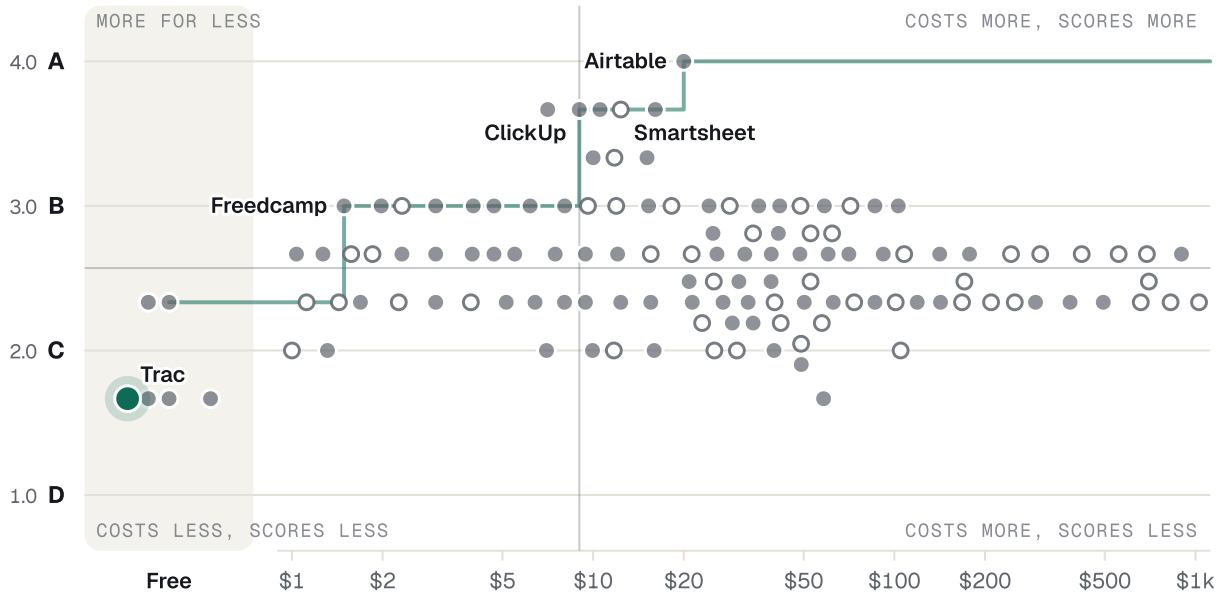
Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 150 project management tools we grade, cut by the letter each got. Trac's own letter is outlined.



Price against what you get

Each dot is one of 128 project management tools. Further left costs less; higher up scores better on features, ease of use and platforms. Trac 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

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

That makes this kind of software worth paying for, not this one in particular: 80 of the 149 other project management tools grade higher.

What you could make

- Issue tracking, wiki and reports: an app builder makes these well.

What this rests on. Trac'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



Redmine, Bugzilla, MantisBT, OpenProject and Kanboard

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

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Redmine

Free

Free, self-hosted issue tracker and project management web app.

- Trac also covers reports.
- Redmine also covers Gantt & timelines and time tracking.

Trac and Redmine compared in full

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Bugzilla

Free

Free open source bug tracker you run on your own server.

- Trac also covers wiki.

Trac and Bugzilla compared in full

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MantisBT

Free

Open source issue tracker for teams and clients.

- Trac also covers wiki and reports.

Trac and MantisBT compared in full



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OpenProject

Free plan · from $7.25/mo

Open-source project management for classic and agile teams.

- Only OpenProject lists iOS and Android apps.
- Trac also covers reports.
- OpenProject also covers kanban boards, Gantt & timelines and time tracking.

Trac and OpenProject compared in full



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Kanboard

Free

Free, self-hosted kanban board software under the MIT License.

- Trac also covers wiki and issue tracking.
- Kanboard also covers kanban boards, workflow automation and time tracking.

Trac and Kanboard compared in full

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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 Trac free?

Yes. Trac is free to use.

How much does Trac cost?

Trac lists one plan. Open source: $0.

What platforms does Trac work on?

Trac is available on Web.

Does Trac have an Android app?

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

Does Trac have an iPhone app?

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Is Trac open source?

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

What does Trac integrate with?

Trac's listing names Subversion and Git. A listing names up to eight integrations, so it may connect to more.

Who makes Trac?

Trac is made by Edgewall Software.

What are the alternatives to Trac?

The closest alternatives to Trac in our directory are Redmine, Bugzilla, MantisBT, OpenProject and Kanboard.

How does Trac compare with other project management tools?

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Is Trac good value for money?

ToolGPA grades Trac C for value for money. Trac has no paid plan.

Could I make my own version of Trac?

Trac is free, so making your own would save you nothing. That makes this kind of software worth paying for, not this one in particular: 80 of the 149 other project management tools grade higher.

Where this guide comes from

The prices, plans, platforms and features were read from Trac'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 Trac'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 Edgewall Software. Prices change, so check trac.edgewall.org before you buy.

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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.

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

What else is on toolgpa.com

Trac, kept up to date

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

toolgpa.com/tools/trac

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 150 project management tools we grade, compared

GitHub Issues Insider's Guide

Issue tracking and project planning built into GitHub

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Freedcamp Insider's Guide

Project management suite with a free plan for unlimited users

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Huly Insider's Guide

Open-source project management with chat, docs and video calls

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