

Productivity & Project Management Tools

These tools help me stay organized, manage projects, and handle research efficiently.

Tools I Use

- Gemini Deep Research (free)
 - Al research assistant by Google to explore complex topics and gather insights.
- Microsoft 365 (\$6-\$12/month for personal use, \$25/month for businesses) Email, document creation, cloud storage, and team collaboration tools.
- Notebook LM (free)
 - Experimental AI tool that summarizes, organizes, and connects ideas in your notes.

Other Recommended Tools

- Asana (free/\$10-\$25/month)
 - Project management platform to assign tasks, set deadlines, and track progress.
- Notion (free/\$8+/month)
 - All-in-one workspace combining notes, tasks, wikis, and databases.
- **Slack** (free/\$7.25+/month)
 - Team messaging platform to organize communication and share files in channels.
- Trello (free/\$5-\$10/month)
 - Visual project management boards with cards and lists to track tasks and workflows.

Marketing & Social Media Tools

These tools help me design content, automate outreach, and strengthen customer communication.

Tools I Use

• Awesome Screenshot (free/paid)

Capture, annotate, and share screenshots for social media or tutorials.

• Buffer (free/\$6+/month)

Social media scheduling tool to automate posts across multiple platforms.

• <u>Canva</u> (free/\$12.99 Pro)

Graphic design tool for social posts, flyers, presentations, and marketing visuals.

• <u>Kit (ConvertKit)</u> (free/\$15+/month)

Email marketing platform to automate campaigns, manage subscribers, and track results.

Other Recommended Tools

• Later (free/\$18+/month)

Visual social media scheduling platform with a drag-and-drop calendar.

• Mailchimp (free/\$13-\$20+/month)

Email marketing service known for easy automation and audience segmentation.

Finance & Accounting Tools

These tools help me track income, expenses, invoicing, and overall finances.

Tools I Use

• QuickBooks (\$25+/month)

Bookkeeping, invoicing, expense tracking, and financial reporting for small businesses.

Other Recommended Tools

• Expensify (free/\$5+/month)

App to scan receipts, track expenses, and manage reimbursements.

• FreshBooks (\$19-\$33/month)

Accounting software tailored for freelancers and service businesses.

• Wave (free, fees apply)

Free accounting and invoicing software; payment processing and payroll cost extra.

E-commerce & Automation Tools

These tools help me process payments, manage online sales, and automate workflows.

Tools I Use

• Make (Integromat) (free/\$9+/month)

Tool to automate workflows by connecting apps and reducing manual tasks.

• **Stripe** (transaction fees)

Flexible online payment processor for websites, apps, and online stores.

Other Recommended Tools

• **Shopify** (\$39+/month)

All-in-one e-commerce platform for creating and managing online stores.

• **Square** (fees apply)

Point-of-sale system and payment processor for both in-person and online sales.

Operations & Customer Management Tools

These tools help me manage customer relationships, team collaboration, and internal workflows.

Tools I Use

• Make (Integromat)

(Also listed under automation) Automates internal workflows by linking apps and services.

• Microsoft 365

(Also listed under productivity) Provides essential tools for email, document management, and collaboration.

Other Recommended Tools

Airtable (free/\$10+/month)

Combines spreadsheets and databases for project and data management.

• Google Workspace (\$6-\$12+/month)

Cloud-based suite for email, documents, storage, and team collaboration.

• HubSpot CRM (free, upgrades available)

CRM platform to manage contacts, sales pipelines, and customer relationships.

Cybersecurity & Password Protection Tools

These tools help protect sensitive data, secure accounts, and ensure safe remote work.

Tools I Use

• Microsoft 365 Security

Built-in security features like multi-factor authentication and encryption.

Other Recommended Tools

• <u>1Password</u> (\$2.99-\$7.99/month)

Password manager to securely store, organize, and share logins.

• LastPass (free/\$3-\$4/month)

Password manager with team sharing and secure vaults.

• ExpressVPN (\$8-\$12/month)

VPN to encrypt your internet connection and protect data.

• <u>NordVPN</u> (\$4-\$8/month)

VPN service to secure online activity, especially on public Wi-Fi.

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