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Best Free Gantt Chart Software (2025)

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Starting price	\$7 per user per month (billed annually)
Resource Planning	Yes (paid plans)
Project Portfolio	Yes (limited on free plan)

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Starting Price	\$5 per user per month (billed annually)
Resource Planning	Yes (via Power-Ups)
Project Portfolio	Yes (via templates)

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Resource Planning	Yes (paid plans)
Project Portfolio	Yes (paid plans)

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Resource Planning	No
Project Portfolio	Yes (paid plans)

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Starting price	\$10 per user per month (billed annually)
Resource Planning	Yes
Project Portfolio	Yes (via template)

Editor's Take

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Starting price	\$9 per user per month (billed annually)
Resource Planning	Yes (native integration, paid plan)
Project Portfolio	Yes (paid plan)

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How To Choose the Best Free Gantt Chart Software

The best free Gantt chart software should give you more than a free trial of its features. You should be able to use a free plan forever to manage tasks and resources with a Gantt chart view.

However, you’re likely to eventually outgrow any free plan, so it’s a good idea to look for the [best Gantt chart software](#) that provides the advanced features you need. Consider the limits of any free plan and the starting price of paid plans along with how easy the transition will be from your current platform to a Gantt chart app.

Essential Features

- Task Dependencies:** It’s important to understand how tasks relate to each other in a project for the best project and time management. These should show or nest on a Gantt chart.
- Resource Management:** Resources include the people who work on projects or tools and materials needed to complete a project. It’s especially helpful if you have access to resource capacity or workloads in conjunction with a Gantt chart for easy scheduling and reference.
- Project Portfolios:** If you’re only working on one project at a time, project portfolio management is less important. However, most businesses have multiple projects happening simultaneously and these sometimes rely on each other. Having a way to view multiple project status is vital for larger companies.
- Templates:** Templates can help get a team started right away on a project so it’s a great time-saver. Even if a free Gantt chart app doesn’t offer pre-built templates, it’s a nice-to-have feature if you can create custom templates to save for the next project.
- Milestones:** Setting milestones in a Gantt chart gives you an at-a-glance idea of how a project is progressing. These can be stopping points that allow you to assess the project to determine whether you need to reallocate resources or break a project down into smaller projects.

Pricing

Naturally, one of the most important considerations for finding the best free Gantt chart software is cost. There should be a forever-free plan available to get you started. However, it’s good to consider the starting cost should you need to upgrade for more users, advanced features or to lift limits on file sizes or the number of projects.

Ease of Use

Choosing the right software for free Gantt charts also comes down to how easy it is to use. If you’re moving from Kanban boards or spreadsheets to Gantt charts, you want to choose a simple app that your team is more likely to adopt. Look for intuitive interfaces, guides or walk-throughs and tip screens that pop up as you’re using new features.

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Methodology

At Forbes Advisor, we developed a five-star rating system to help you see quickly which software is an all-around best option. We go deep into various features, factors and sub-factors so we don't miss even the smallest considerations. Apart from the categories, we also point out which software would be best suited for different situations. Here's how we break down the ranking for best free Gantt chart software:

- Pricing & Fees (10%):** In addition to offering a free plan, we considered the lowest cost of a paid plan from each app. Ten percent of the score goes to pricing and additional fees.

General Features (35%): The most important feature is obviously a Gantt chart view, so we ensured that was available on all the free plans we feature in our list. We also looked at core project management features such as task dependencies and integrations. We allocated 35% of the total score to general features.

Additional Features (15%): Additional features may include templates, milestones, billing and invoicing or client access. While these are important factors, we only gave this section 15% of the weight.

Reviews, Ratings and Support (20%): A combined 20% of the score goes to user reviews, ratings on third-party sites and support. It's important to consider what users have to say and how each software offers help to its users.

Expert Score (20%): The final 20% of the score is meant for the expert to weigh features that are harder to discern. For example, ease of use is subjective but our experts have experience with each of these platforms. Also, we look at the value of each free plan and paid plan and the quality of the features.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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