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Best Windows Password Manager of 2025

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Free version	Yes	Free Version	No
Best security feature	Multifactor authentication (MFA) availability	Best Security Feature	Breach Alerts + Remote Logou

The 5 Best Windows Password Managers of 2025

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Norton Password Manager

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Free plan	Yes
Price range	None
Unique feature	One-click password change

Editor's Take

It’s hard to find a better password manager for the price than Norton Password Manager—it’s 100% free; there’s no paid plan available. This means you’ll get all the features available for the tool without having to worry about charges of any kind. Norton uses the industry-standard AES-256 encryption method and a zero-knowledge protocol, which keeps your passwords secure.

Premium features you might find from paid versions of other password managers for Windows are included with a Norton Password Manager account. You’ll get a random password generator for strong passwords that are difficult to guess or crack and an automatic password changer, which lets you change any of your various accounts’ passwords with one click. It syncs across all your devices, and you can even use the mobile app (with biometric login) to launch your desktop version. Its biggest drawbacks are that it won’t allow you to share login info with others and there’s no file storage option.

Who should use it:

Norton Password Manager is one of the best password managers for Windows users who want a completely free tool with advanced features to keep all your login info safe.

Read more:

Read our full [Norton review](#).

Pros & Cons

Free tool for anyone

- Change passwords with one click
- Random password generator included
- Syncs across all devices (PC, mobile, tablet)
- Mobile app can unlock desktop version
- Lacking option to share login info
- Stores passwords only

BEST BUDGET-FRIENDLY OPTION

NordPass



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Free plan	Yes
Price range	Free to \$1.49 per month (for two-year plan)
Unique feature	Dark web monitor

Editor's Take

Many Windows password managers offer free plans for those who need a simple password manager but NordPass’ free option is a bit more robust. There’s no limit to the number of passwords it protects, and it includes multifactor authentication, ensuring even greater security. The biggest limitation of the free version of NordPass is that you can’t log into your password manager with more than one device at a time.

If you upgrade to a paid plan (\$1.49 per user, per month on a two-year plan), you can log into NordPass with multiple devices simultaneously and you can share your login info with guests, such as Wi-Fi login at your home. There’s a password checker for all your accounts so you can be sure you have no duplicates because it’s a good rule of thumb to not use the same password twice. The dark web monitoring feature lets you know if your personal information shows up on any cracked password or data breach lists.

Learn more: Read our full [NordPass review](#).

Who should use it:

Pros & Cons

- Free version
- Family plan for up to six members
- Business plans available
- Protected notes, address info, payment info
- Multifactor, biometric authentication
- Ability to share login info with guests
- Monitors dark web for your personal info
- Only one device at a time with free plan
- Doesn't allow for file storage

BEST FEATURE-RICH OPTION

Dashlane



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Free plan	Yes
Price range	Free to \$8 per month
Unique feature	VPN on two paid plans

Editor's Take

Although Dashlane offers a free version of its password manager, it's severely limited. You can only use Dashlane on one device, and you're limited to 50 passwords. You can share login info with others, but only up to five accounts. There's also no dark web monitoring available.

If you bump up your Dashlane account to a premium plan for \$4.99 per month, you can store unlimited passwords, share your passwords with anyone and use Dashlane on as many devices as you'd like. You'll also get bonus features, such as 1 GB of file storage, a virtual private network (VPN) and encrypted notes.

Who should use it:

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Pros & Cons

- Free plan available
- Biometric, two-factor authentication
- Free trial available
- Password and login sharing
- VPN bundled with Premium and Family plans
- Dark web monitoring
- Security alerts on all plans
- Relatively expensive
- Free plan is limiting (50 passwords)
- Only two paid plans get file storage
- Lower-priced plans have syncing limitations

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Free plan	No
Price range	\$2.99 to \$19.95 per month
Unique feature	1Password mini app

Editor's Take

Most password managers offer a free version to users, but 1Password breaks from the norm. There is a 14-day trial, which allows you to test out all of its features, but if you like it, you'll have to choose a plan, which starts at \$2.99 monthly for individuals, \$4.99 monthly for families of five and \$7.99 to \$19.95 monthly for business plans.

dark web monitoring. Two-factor authentication ensures your 1Password account stays safe too. What 1Password offers that other password managers don't is a mini app for Windows users (and for Apple too). It's a good idea conceptually, but 1Password works with virtually every browser, so it might not even be necessary to use.

Who should use it:

If you prefer to access your account via a mini app, 1Password is a good choice for you. Keep in mind that it will be costly compared to other password managers, though.

Read more:

Read our full [1Password review](#).

Pros & Cons

- Unlimited passwords and devices
- 14-day trial available
- Two-factor authentication
- Dark web monitoring
- 1Password mini app for Windows
- Expensive
- No free plan available

BEST FREE OPTION

Bitwarden

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Free plan	Yes
Price range	Free to \$6 per month, per user
Unique feature	Unlimited passwords and devices on free plan

Editor's Take

free accounts won't get two-factor authentication.

A paid Bitwarden account is affordable at just \$10 per year. A premium account includes everything in the free plan, plus you get 1 GB of file storage, and you can share passwords and files with others.

Who should use it:

If you're looking for a full-featured free Windows password manager, Bitwarden is a great choice. The paid version is cheap enough that it's worth it for two-factor authentication and encrypted file storage.

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Pros & Cons

- Full-featured free plan
- Affordable paid plans
- 1 GB file storage
- Login sharing available
- No limits on passwords or devices
- Two-factor authentication on paid plans only
- No file storage or sharing on free plan

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 NordPass	Forbes ADVISOR 4.4★★★★★①	Yes	Free to \$1.49 per month	Learn More On NordPass' Website	
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Bitwarden  1Password	Forbes ADVISOR 4.2 ★ ★ ★ ★ ☆ ⓘ	No	\$2.99 to \$19.95 per month	Read Forbes' Review Learn More On 1Password's Website
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What You Need To Know About Windows Password Managers

What Is a Password Manager?

A password manager securely stores all your passwords for various accounts, so you don't have to remember dozens of complex, unique passwords. Industry-standard practices include using AES-256 encryption and zero-knowledge policies. This sort of end-to-end encryption means not even the developers of the password manager have access to your information.

How Do You Use a Password Manager?

Most password managers let you use a browser extension, so any website you visit that requires a password will trigger your password manager to fill in information. So, you'll sign up for an account, create your master password and install the extension or app. Some password managers require you to manually add passwords but others offer a bulk password add for all your accounts, saving you time.

Methodology

Forbes Advisor looked at five primary factors and 14 secondary factors to create this list of the best password managers for Windows. We compared five of the most popular Windows password managers and ranked them according to security features, cost or value and unique features.

In regard to security features, we considered industry-standard AES-256 encryption, multifactor authentication and zero-knowledge policies. Although pricing is important, we looked at the overall value of a password manager because paying for an account may be worth the cost. Unique features are few among Windows password managers but only because most password managers have cross-platform functionality.

You'll find that most password managers are easy to use but we still considered whether they're intuitive. Free versions of password managers got more consideration, especially those that are fully featured. In order of importance, these are the factors we weighed when ranking the top Windows password managers:

- Security features
- Cost and value
- Cross-platform functionality
- Unique features
- Ease of use

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

- + **Does Windows 10 have a password manager?**
- + **Is it worth paying for a password manager?**
- + **Why shouldn't you use a password manager?**
- + **What are the most secure free password managers?**
- + **Are there advantages to paid password managers compared to free password managers?**
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