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Set up your own personal AI system: your notes, tasks and plans in one place, with Claude working on them around the clock. Guided step by step.

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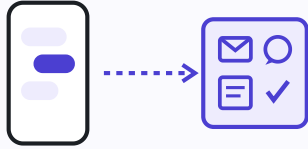
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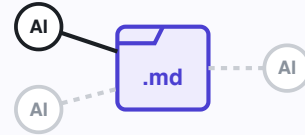
01 Why it is worth it

Your own AI chief of staff, built on files you own and running on a server you control.



Claude Code in your pocket

Chat with your own Claude over Telegram, wherever you are. It can reach your vault, your mail and WhatsApp, and asks before it does anything with an Allow / Deny button.



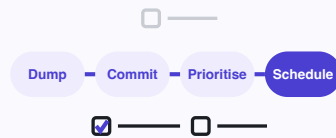
Not locked to any AI

Everything you know lives in plain Markdown files that you own. If a better model comes along, point it at the same folder. Your notes move with you, and nothing needs exporting.



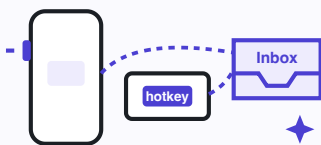
Fast, because it is all local

Your notes are plain files on your laptop, so your agent searches thousands of them in milliseconds. No database or app in the way, which makes the agent much faster and more capable.



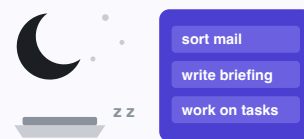
Task management built in

Tasks, priorities and schedules live in your vault. Talk through what is on your mind, and Claude turns it into tasks, helps you prioritise and fits them into your week.



One button to capture

The iPhone Action Button or a Mac hotkey drops an idea, note or task into your Inbox in two seconds. Send it to your Telegram bot instead, and Claude starts on it straight away.

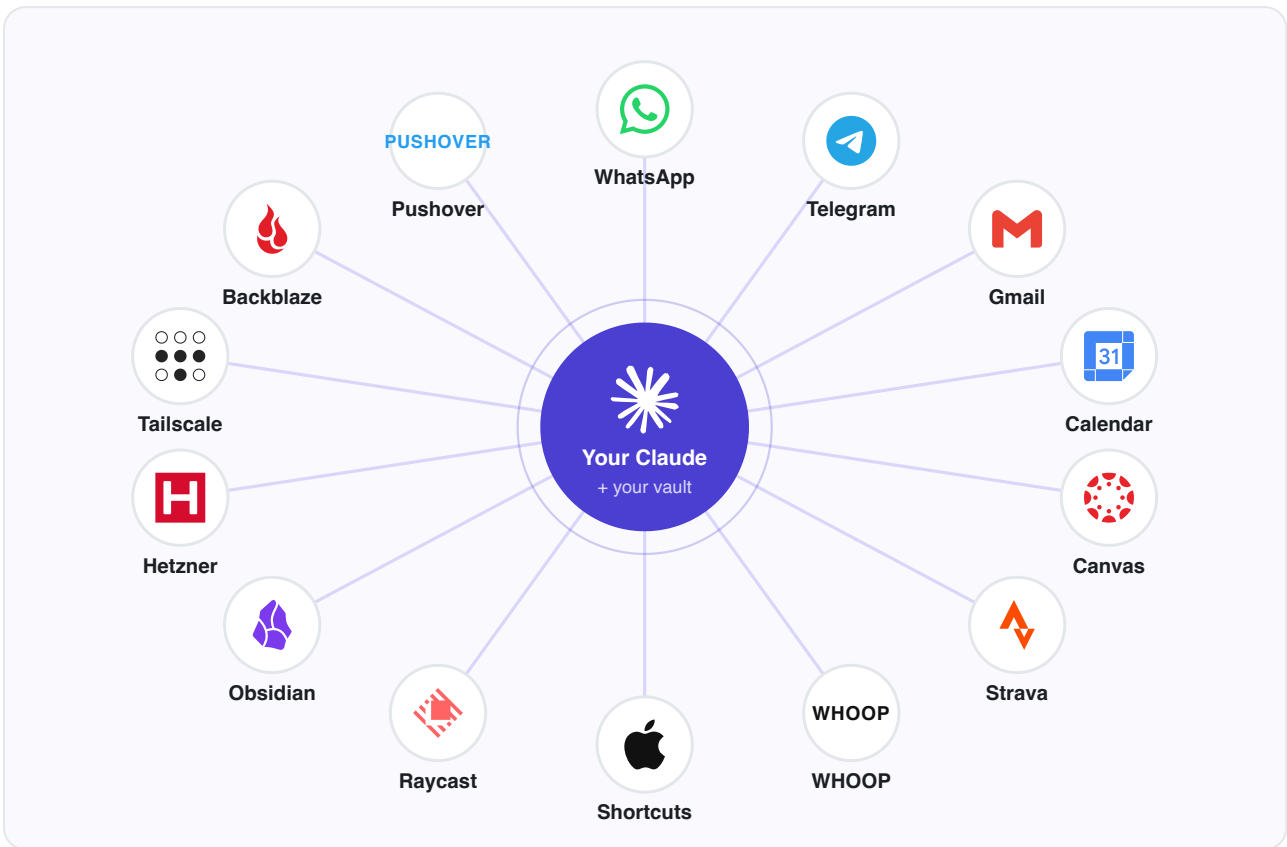


Works overnight, laptop off

The server keeps going when you sleep: backups, health checks and tidy-ups out of the box. You can add your own jobs with Claude, such as sorting mail, a morning briefing or background work on tasks.

02 Connects to basically everything

Out of the box it works with the services below. Anything else with an API or an MCP connector, Claude can add for you.

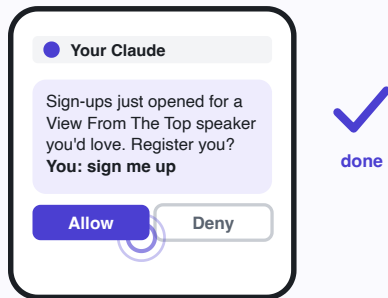


Chat	WhatsApp, Telegram
Mail and time	Gmail, Google Calendar
School	Canvas: courses, files, assignments as tasks
Health and sport	Strava, WHOOP
Capture	Apple Shortcuts (Action Button), Raycast
Notes	Obsidian on Mac, iPhone and server; claude.ai and the Claude app
Server and safety	Hetzner, Tailscale, Backblaze B2, Pushover, Healthchecks.io
And more	Anything with an API or MCP connector: ask your Claude to add it

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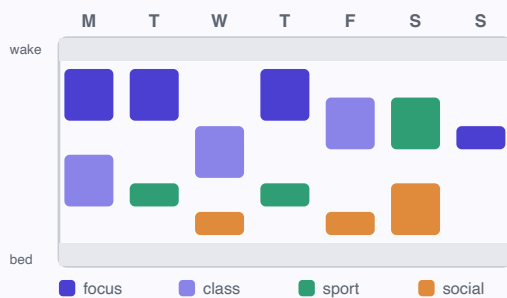
03 It runs your week with you

Not just a notes app: an assistant that knows your goals, your time and your commitments.



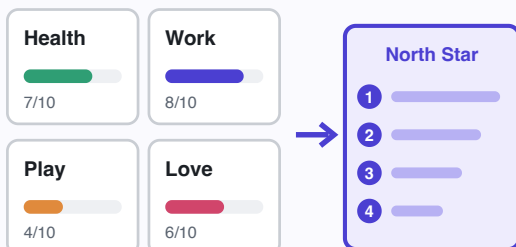
It messages you, you tap once

Claude can message you on Telegram when something needs you. Have it watch for what you care about, for example sign-ups for a View From The Top speaker you would love to hear. It messages you, you reply "sign me up", and before it acts it asks for your OK with one tap on Allow.



Your perfect week, planned for you

Describe your ideal week once: wake and bed times, focus blocks, sport, social plans, classes. Claude then schedules your tasks, assignments and readings around it, reads your calendars, says plainly when the week is overbooked, and puts the blocks in your calendar once you approve.

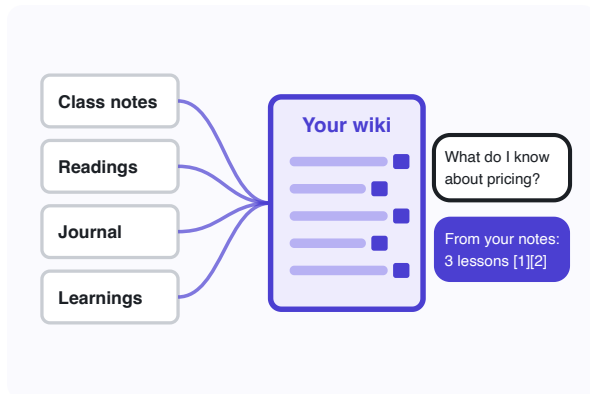


Priorities that mean something

Your North Star note holds what matters this quarter. You rate Health, Work, Play and Love (inspired by Designing Your Life), set an objective for each, then rank three to five priorities. Every prioritisation pass reads it first, so urgent never quietly beats important.

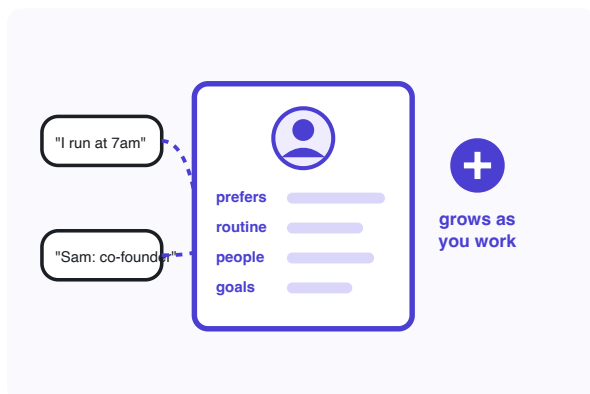
04 It learns you, and stays yours

The longer you use it, the better it knows you. And nothing about it is locked.



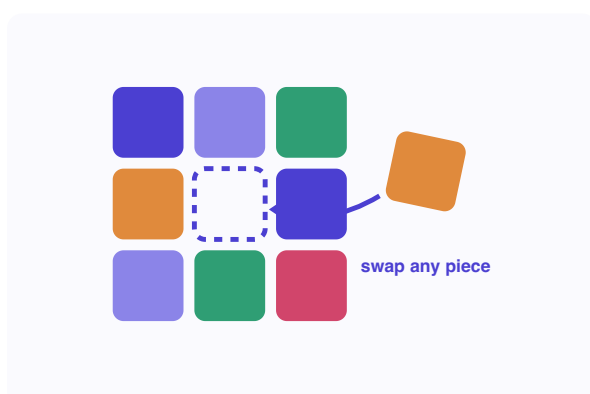
A second brain that maintains itself

Inspired by Andrej Karpathy's LLM wiki. Claude compiles your class notes, readings and life lessons into one small wiki that you never have to maintain. Ask it for advice, and it answers from what you yourself concluded, citing your notes. It keeps evolving as you write.



Great memory, built in

Agents get much better with good memory. Your profile notes hold durable facts about you (preferences, routines, people, goals), each dated, and Claude adds to them on its own as you work together. Unlike a chat app's memory, it is readable, editable, yours, and works with any model.



Fully yours to change

Everything is plain files and readable code. Change any piece, drop what you do not need, and build what is right for you. The kit simply lets you speedrun the infrastructure, so your time goes into the parts that matter to you.

05 What you end up with

You do not need to be technical. Claude does the typing; you create a few accounts, approve steps and answer questions.

An Obsidian vault

Your notes, tasks and plans as plain text files, in sync between your Mac, your phone and a small server.

An always-on server

A small rented Linux server (about the price of a coffee a month) where Claude runs 24/7 against your vault. Your laptop can be shut.

Claude from your phone

Use the Claude app or Telegram to capture a task, look something up or have Claude work on a project.

Jobs that run on their own

Health checks, a nightly encrypted backup, a weekly tidy-up of finished tasks, and phone alerts if something breaks.

Optional extras

Telegram (Claude on the go), email, calendar, a WhatsApp chat with your vault, local audio transcription on your Mac, one-button capture.

06 How to start

1

Install Claude Code

From claude.com. You need a paid Claude plan (Pro or Max). Check claude.com/pricing for what your plan includes; Max is recommended for heavy use.

2

Put the `vaultkit` folder in your home folder

So it sits at `~/vaultkit`.

3

Open the folder in Claude Code

In the Claude desktop app's Code tab, or in Terminal: `cd ~/vaultkit` then `claude`.

4

Type this:

`start the setup`

Claude first explains what the system does and where your data goes, and builds nothing until you say "I understand, continue". Then it checks what you already have, so it can reuse it instead of starting over. You can stop at any point: progress is saved, and a new session picks up where you left off.

07 Time and money

2 to 3 h

in total, including waiting.
Works well over two sittings.

\$30 to \$40

a month, typically, plus about
\$5 once.

15 to 45 min

extra per optional module.

ITEM	COST
Claude Pro (required). Max is \$100 or \$200/month	\$20/month
Hetzner server (CX23: 2 CPUs, 4 GB RAM), plus VAT in the EU	about €6/month
Obsidian Sync (needed for the server copy)	from \$4/month
Pushover (phone alerts)	\$4.99 once
Backblaze B2 (backups), first 10 GB free	usually \$0
Tailscale, Healthchecks.io, Google Cloud	free for this use
Optional: Strava subscription, needed for the fitness sync's Strava API access	about \$12/month

Prices checked 4 October 2026 and they change. Details are in WALKTHROUGH.md § 0 in the folder.

08 Privacy, in short

- **Whatever Claude reads is sent to Anthropic to be processed.** That includes your notes, and your emails and WhatsApp messages if you turn those on. The only way around this is a local AI model on your own hardware, which this kit does not support.
- **Everything else is locked down.** The server is reachable only through your own private Tailscale network, passwords and keys sit in locked files, and backups are encrypted before they leave the server.
- **András sees nothing and has no access** to your server, vault or accounts. Every account is yours.
- **WhatsApp can get your number banned.** The module uses an unofficial connection. It is optional and off by default.

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If you set it up, that is fully your decision and your responsibility: your server, your accounts, your data, your bills, and following the terms of every service you connect (WhatsApp included). Read what Claude proposes before you approve it.