

GitHub Enterprise

The AI-powered developer platform for the agent-ready enterprise

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BEST FOR

- + Enterprise engineering organizations that need centralized governance, compliance, and security across multiple teams — GitHub Enterprise Cloud provides SSO, SCIM, EMU, SOC 2 compliance, FedRAMP ATO, data residency, and enterprise-wide policy enforcement starting at \$21 per user/month
- + Development teams adopting AI-assisted coding at scale — GitHub Copilot Business (\$19 per user/month) and Enterprise (\$39 per user/month) integrate directly into the platform developers already use, with organizational policy controls and IP indemnity
- + Organizations prioritizing DevSecOps — GitHub Advanced Security embeds CodeQL scanning, secret protection, and Copilot Autofix directly into the pull request workflow, shifting security left without disrupting developer velocity
- + Teams of any size that want to start free and scale — GitHub's Free tier (unlimited repos, 2,000 CI/CD minutes) through Team (\$4 per user/month) to Enterprise (\$21 per user/month) provides a growth path without platform migration

NOT IDEAL FOR

- ! Organizations that need all security features included in the base platform price — GitHub Advanced Security, Copilot, Premium Support, and expanded Actions minutes are all separate add-ons, meaning the total cost can reach \$60+ per user/month when fully loaded, which some competitors like GitLab bundle into their top tier
- ! Teams requiring self-hosted CI/CD with the latest AI features — GitHub Copilot is not currently available for Enterprise Server (self-hosted), limiting AI-assisted development to Enterprise Cloud deployments
- ! Organizations with strict requirements for binary/large file management — Git LFS pricing at \$5 per month for 50 GB bandwidth has been widely criticized as expensive for teams with heavy binary assets (game development, media production)

Key Features

Enterprise-Grade Developer Platform with Centralized Governance

GitHub Enterprise Cloud provides a centrally governed development platform starting at \$21 per user/month. It includes enterprise accounts to manage multiple organizations from a single pane, Enterprise Managed Users (EMU) controlled via your identity provider, SCIM-based user provisioning, SAML single sign-on, advanced audit logging with API access, repository rulesets enforceable across the entire enterprise, environment protection rules, IP allow lists, and data residency options for controlling where code is stored. GitHub Enterprise Server is also available for self-hosted deployments at the same license price.

GitHub Copilot — AI-Powered Coding Assistant

GitHub Copilot is available as a separate add-on on top of all GitHub plans. Copilot Business costs \$19 per user/month and includes code completions, chat, agent mode, Copilot coding agent, centralized policy management, and IP indemnity. Copilot Enterprise costs \$39 per user/month (requires Enterprise Cloud) and adds codebase indexing, custom models trained on organizational code, pull request summaries, and chat that references context across all project repositories. Premium requests beyond plan allocations cost \$0.04 each. Copilot is not currently available for Enterprise Server.

GitHub Actions — Built-In CI/CD Automation

GitHub Actions automates software development workflows directly within the platform. The Enterprise plan includes 50,000 CI/CD minutes per month (free for public repositories), compared to 3,000 for Team and 2,000 for Free. Linux jobs consume minutes 1:1, Windows jobs at 2x, and macOS jobs at 10x. Additional minutes can be purchased. GitHub reduced hosted runner prices by up to 39% effective January 2026. Actions integrates with the GitHub Marketplace's ecosystem of pre-built actions and reusable workflows.

GitHub Advanced Security — Application Security at Scale

GitHub Advanced Security (GHAS) is an add-on available for Enterprise customers that embeds security directly into the developer workflow. It includes CodeQL semantic code analysis, secret scanning with push protection, Dependabot security updates, dependency review, Copilot Autofix (AI-powered vulnerability remediation generating fixes for 90% of alert types in JavaScript, TypeScript, Java, and Python), security campaigns for burning down security backlogs, and SARIF upload for centralizing findings from third-party scanning tools. GHAS is priced per active committer — every unique contributor who has committed to a GHAS-enabled private repository in the last 90 days counts toward billing. Contact sales for pricing.

Compliance, Security Certifications, and Data Residency

GitHub Enterprise Cloud provides SOC 1 Type 2 and SOC 2 Type 2 reports annually, FedRAMP Tailored Authority to Operate (ATO) for US federal government compliance, SAML SSO and SCIM provisioning, advanced audit log with API access, and IP allow lists. Data residency on Microsoft Azure allows customers to choose a regional cloud deployment for controlling where in-scope data (including code) is stored at rest. GitHub Connect enables hybrid deployments linking Enterprise Server instances with Enterprise Cloud.

Platform Scale and Ecosystem

GitHub is trusted by over 180 million developers and used by organizations including Ford, Stripe, Spotify, American Airlines, KPMG, SAP, and Procter & Gamble. The GitHub Marketplace provides an ecosystem of apps, actions, and integrations for extending the platform. GitHub Codespaces offers cloud-based development environments starting at \$0.18 per hour of compute and \$0.07 per GB of storage per month. GitHub Packages provides 50 GB of package storage on Enterprise (free for public repos). Git Large File Storage is available at \$5 per month for 50 GB of bandwidth and 50 GB of storage.

Pricing & Plan Guidance

PLAN	PRICE (ANNUAL)	KEY INCLUDES
Free	\$0 per user/month	Unlimited public and private repositories Unlimited collaborators 2,000 CI/CD minutes/month (free for public repos) 500 MB Packages storage (free for public repos) Dependabot security and version updates Issues & Projects for project management Community support
Team	\$4 per user/month	Everything in Free, plus: Access to GitHub Codespaces Repository rules (branch and tag protections) Multiple reviewers in pull requests, draft PRs Code owners and required reviewers Pages and Wikis Environment deployment branches and secrets 3,000 CI/CD minutes/month (free for public repos) 2 GB Packages storage (free for public repos) Web-based support
Enterprise	Starting at \$21 per user/month	Everything in Team, plus: Data residency (regional cloud deployment on Azure) Enterprise Managed Users (EMU) via identity provider User provisioning through SCIM Enterprise Account for managing multiple organizations Environment protection rules Enterprise-wide repository rulesets Audit Log API SOC 1, SOC 2 Type 2 reports annually FedRAMP Tailored Authority to Operate (ATO) SAML single sign-on Advanced auditing GitHub Connect (hybrid Server + Cloud) 50,000 CI/CD minutes/month (free for public repos) 50 GB Packages storage (free for public repos) IP allow lists

PLAN GUIDANCE

GitHub's Free plan is genuinely powerful for individual developers and open-source projects — unlimited public and private repos, 2,000 CI/CD minutes, and Dependabot security updates at no cost. The Team plan at \$4 per user/month adds the collaboration features most small teams need: protected branches, code owners, required reviewers, and Codespaces access. Enterprise at \$21 per user/month is required for organizations needing SAML SSO, SCIM provisioning, enterprise-wide governance, audit logs, SOC 2 compliance, data residency, or FedRAMP

authorization. The total cost of ownership scales significantly with add-ons: adding Copilot Business (\$19 per user/month) brings the per-user cost to \$40, and Copilot Enterprise (\$39 per user/month) brings it to \$60 per user/month on top of Enterprise. GitHub Advanced Security adds further cost per active committer. A 30-day free trial includes Enterprise, Copilot, and Advanced Security with no credit card required.

Compliance Transparency Index™

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Score: 95 / 100

Security 40/40 | Pricing 25/25 | Data Rights 15/20 | Legitimacy 15/15

Methodology: blocksentient.com/about

COMPLIANCE SNAPSHOT

✔ SOC 2 Yes

✔ GDPR Yes

✔ SSO Yes

✔ Data Retention Yes

✔ Public Pricing Yes

✔ Free Trial Yes

✔ Data Export Yes

✔ Data Deletion Yes

KEY FACTS

Starting Price	\$0 per user/month	Output Ownership	User
AI Training Opt-Out	Yes (Business/Enterprise: code and prompts never used for model training)	Legal privacy	Git Hub, Inc. (subsidiary of Microsoft Corporation)

HOW IT WORKS

You sign up at github.com — either creating a personal account (Free) or starting a 30-day free trial of Enterprise that includes Copilot and Advanced Security, no credit card required. For the Enterprise trial, you create an enterprise account, invite organization members, and configure SAML SSO and SCIM provisioning with your identity provider. GitHub operates as a cloud-based SaaS platform (Enterprise Cloud) or a self-hosted solution (Enterprise Server) that you deploy on your own infrastructure. The core workflow centers on Git-based version control: developers create repositories, work on branches, submit pull requests for code review, and merge changes. GitHub Actions automates CI/CD pipelines directly within the platform. GitHub Copilot provides AI-powered code completion, chat, and agent capabilities in your IDE. GitHub Advanced Security scans code for vulnerabilities and secrets as part of the pull request workflow, with Copilot Autofix generating remediation suggestions. The GitHub Marketplace extends the platform with thousands of pre-built integrations. GitHub is owned and operated by GitHub, Inc., a subsidiary of Microsoft Corporation, headquartered in San Francisco, California. The platform was founded in 2008 and acquired by Microsoft in 2018 for \$7.5 billion. As of 2025, GitHub serves over 180 million developers worldwide.

ALTERNATIVE TO CONSIDER

GitLab: GitLab offers similar features with a focus on integrated CI/CD and DevOps capabilities.

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Full review: blocksentient.com/review/github-enterprise