

How To Sell More Online With Websites

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Top Website Considerations

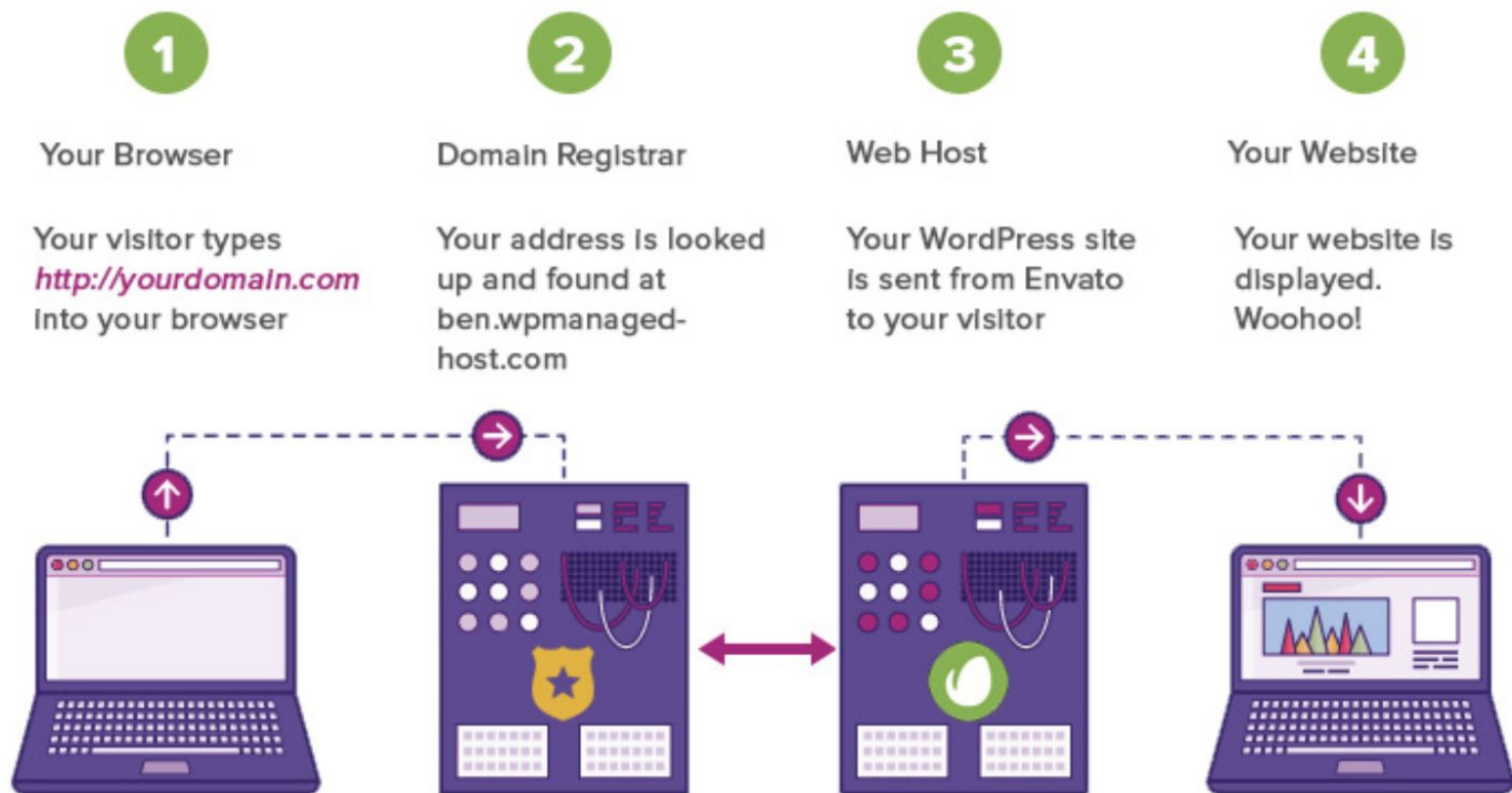
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Affordability

Easy To Use

Shows Up On Google

Safe Secure



Website Building Checklist

Before You Build:

P. 3-15

- Find your purpose
- Decide how to build
- Pick your platform
- Test it out
- Choose a price plan
- Pick a website address

Build Your Site:

P. 16-35

- Choose a template
- Choose your color scheme
- Design a logo
- Edit your page layout
- Add pages
- Write your content
- Say hello to SEO
- Don't forget images
- Set up a professional email address
- Want to sell online? Add a store to your site
- Make it mobile friendly
- Link to social media
- Preview your website
- Publish your website

After Publishing:

P. 36-40

- Set up Google Analytics
- Run a site speed check
- Analyze Google Analytics results
- Add Hotjar to check your site's UX
- Keep going!

Wordpress

WordPress.com vs WordPress.org

The key difference between WordPress.com and WordPress.org is who's actually hosting your website.

With **WordPress.org**, you host your own site (we recommend this).

With **WordPress.com**, on the other hand, it's WordPress.com that takes care of all of this for you (easier to start, less freedom). **And that's the major difference.**



WORDPRESS

.COM *vs* .ORG

FREE to \$300/year



At least \$50/year

Hosted by WordPress



Self-hosted by you

Free Subdomain



Custom domain name

No maintenance



Maintained by you

Limited customization



Fully customizable

Ecommerce with top plan



Ecommerce supported

Forums not supported



bbPress & BuddyPress

Single site only



Multisite capability

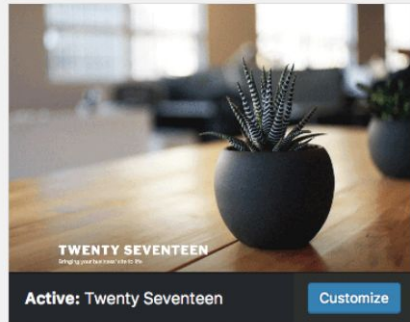
Great for new bloggers
or for online resumes



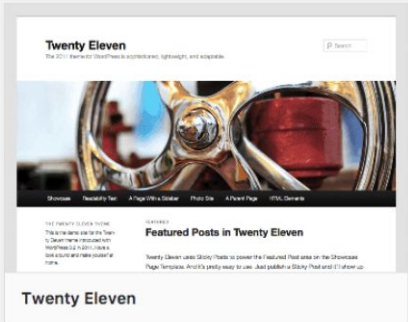
Perfect for serious
bloggers & businesses

- Dashboard
- Posts
- Media
- Pages
- Comments
- Appearance
- Themes
- Customize
- Widgets
- Menus
- Header
- Editor
- Plugins
- Users
- Tools
- Settings
- Collapse menu

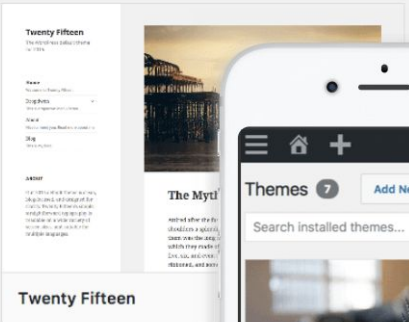
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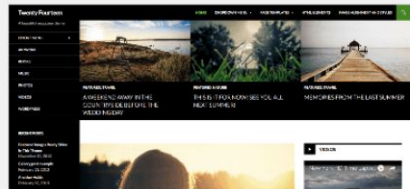
Active: Twenty Seventeen Customize



Twenty Eleven



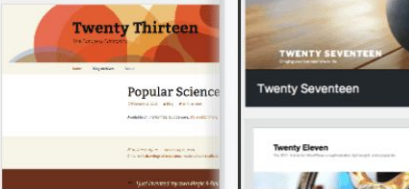
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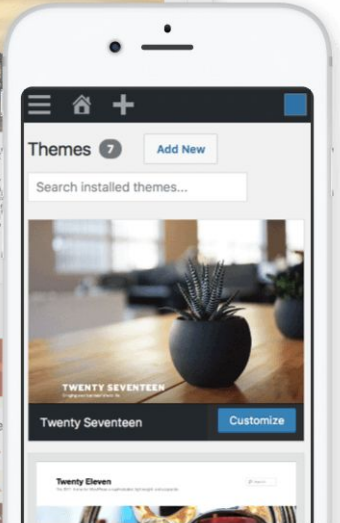
Twenty Fourteen



Twenty Ten



Twenty Thirteen



Weekly bestsellers

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Avada | Website Builder For WordPress ...
by ThemeFusion in Business

\$60

★★★★★ (24K)
659.7K Sales

Preview



The7 — Multi-Purpose Website Building...
by Dream-Theme in Corporate

\$39

★★★★★ (8K)
219.7K Sales

Preview

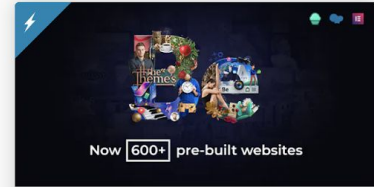


Flatsome | Multi-Purpose Responsive W...
by UX-themes in Woocommerce

\$59

★★★★★ (6.2K)
152.4K Sales

Preview



BeTheme - Responsive Multi-Purpose ...
by muffingroup in Business

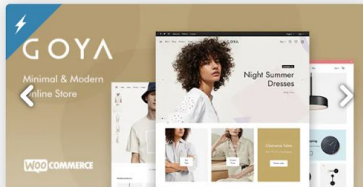
\$59

★★★★★ (6.1K)
219.7K Sales

Preview



Hot under \$40

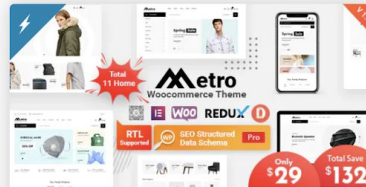
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Goya - Modern WooCommerce Theme
by luisvelaz in Woocommerce

\$29

★★★★★ (76)
2.8K Sales

Preview



Metro – Minimal WooCommerce WordPr...
by RadiusTheme in Woocommerce

\$29

★★★★★ (62)
2.3K Sales

Preview



Bizix - Corporate and Business WordPre...
by Softwebmedia in Business

\$19

★★★★★ (36)
1.7K Sales

Preview



Reobiz - Consulting Business WordPres...
by rs-theme in Business

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★★★★★ (54)
1.7K Sales

Preview

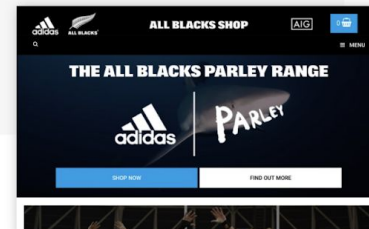
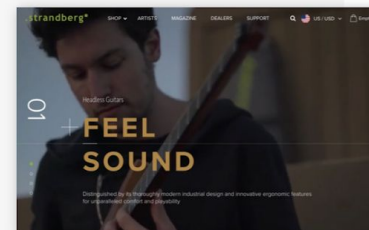
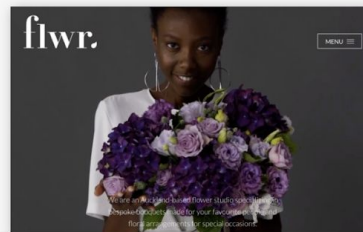
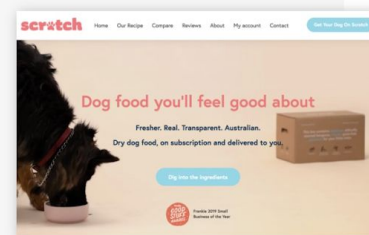
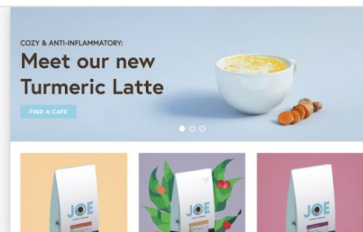


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Shopify



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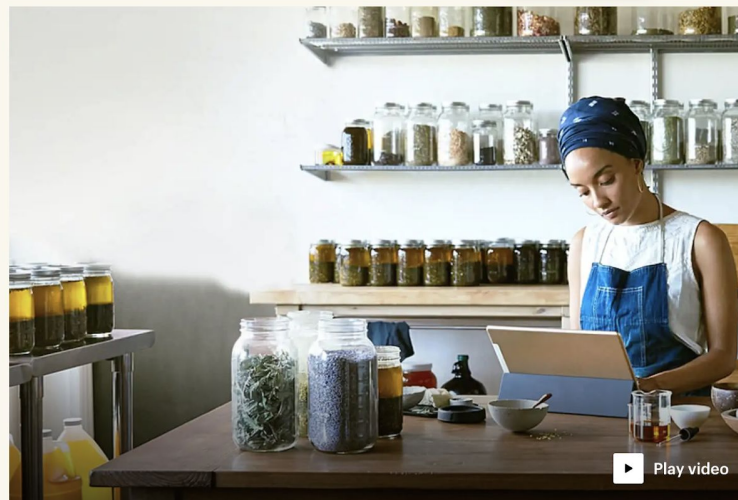
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Start free trial

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Basic Shopify

Best for new businesses or online businesses new to in-person selling

USD **\$29** /mo

Shopify

Best for growing businesses with 1 retail store

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UFE Cross Sell & Upsell Funnel

by Upsell Funnel Engine

One Click Upsell, Upsell Bundles, Volume Discount in Funnels

★ 4.9 (371)

Free to install



Post Purchase Checkout Upsell

by SpurIT

Sweet upsell after checkout. Thank you page upsell system

★ 3.8 (17)

Free



Outfy - Automate Social Media

by outfy

Automated social media posts - VIDEO, COLLAGE, GIF. Sell More!

★ 4.8 (1080)

Free plan available



XO Insert Code

by Xopify

Add custom code to <head>, after <body> and before </body>

★ 5.0 (5)

Free plan available

Add Instagram Shopping to the Facebook sales channel

Instagram Shopping can be set up as the first feature when you install the Facebook sales channel, or it can be added from the **Overview** page of the Facebook sales channel at any time. Some steps might already be completed if you have already set up [Facebook Shop](#) or Facebook Marketing in the Facebook sales channel.

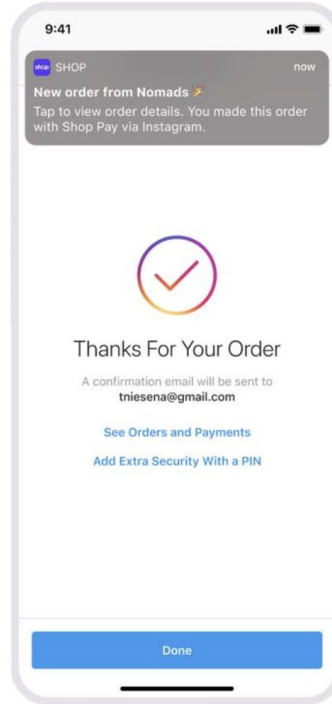
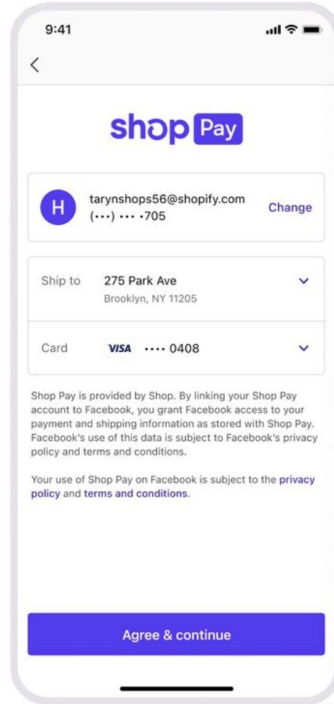
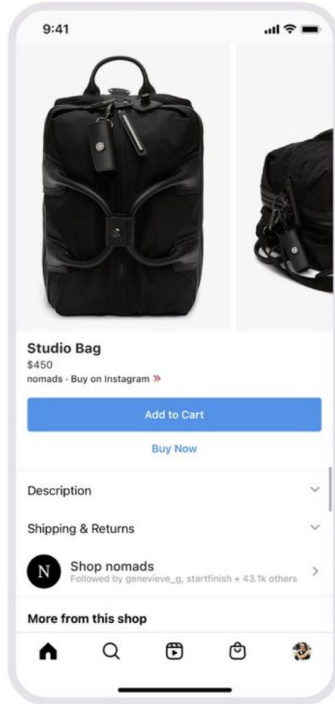
Steps:

1. From your Shopify admin, click **Facebook sales channel** > **Overview**.
2. Click **Set up to start** in the **Instagram Shopping** section.
3. Connect the required Facebook accounts to the Facebook sales channel.
4. Review and accept the terms and conditions, then click **Request approval**.



It takes 24-48 hours for Facebook to review your products.

Shopify Expands Its Checkout System to Facebook and Instagram

Customers will be able to use the system, called Shop Pay, to complete purchases on the social platforms




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Customers That Feel Understood Shop More and Complain Less

Data from customer feedback can help you learn more about your customers to create the right experiences.



Shopify's Shop Pay checkout system is coming to some Facebook platforms. Among the incentives it offers is a promise to

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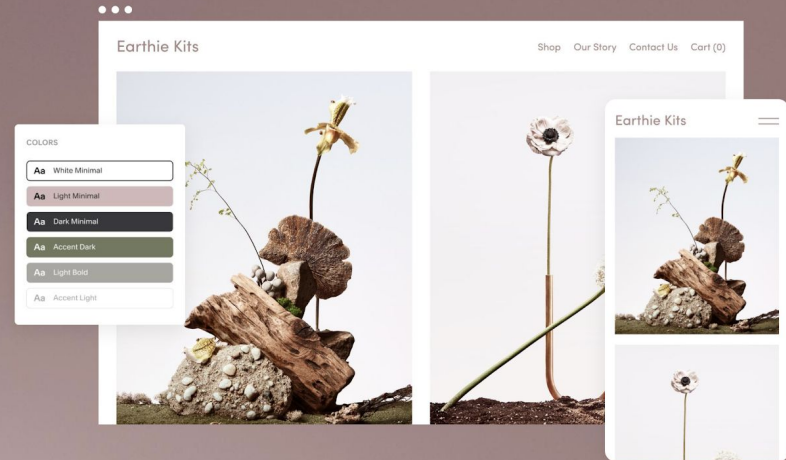
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Pay Monthly

Personal

\$12

per month

Save 25% annually

Business

\$18

per month

Save 30% annually

BASIC
Commerce

\$26

per month

Save 13% annually

ADVANCED
Commerce

\$40

per month

Save 13% annually

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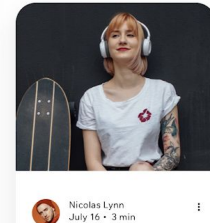
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Create a Website You're Proud Of

Discover the platform that gives you the freedom to create, design,
manage and develop your web presence exactly the way you want.

Get Started

Mode	Color	Price
1 Ski	Black	\$129.95
2 Studio		
3 Noise Cancelling		
4 Bluetooth		
5 Speakers		
6 Music		
7 Pro		



Complete eCommerce Platform

Build, manage, and scale your business with Wix.



Unlimited Products		✓	✓	✓
Abandoned Cart Recovery		✓	✓	✓
Subscriptions		✓	✓	–
Multiple Currencies		✓	✓	–
Automated Sales Tax		500 Transactions/mo	100 Transactions/mo	–
Advanced Shipping		✓	✓	–
USPS Discounts		Up to 70%	Up to 60%	–
Sell on Social Channels		✓	✓	✓
Sell on Marketplaces		✓	✓	–
Dropshipping by Modalyst		Unlimited Products	Up to 250 Products	–
Product Reviews by KudoBuzz		3,000 Reviews	1,000 Reviews	–
Loyalty Program by Smile.io		✓	–	–

		<small>MOST POPULAR</small>	
	Business VIP Get the Full Suite	Business Unlimited Grow Your Business	Business Basic Accept Online Payments
	\$ 49 /month	\$ 27 /month	\$ 23 /month
Secure Online Payments (i)	✓	✓	✓
Plans & Recurring Payments (i)	✓	✓	✓
Customer Accounts (i)	✓	✓	✓
Custom Domain (i)	✓	✓	✓
Free Domain for 1 Year (i)	✓	✓	✓
Remove Wix Ads (i)	✓	✓	✓
Storage Space (i)	50GB	35GB	20GB
Video Hours (i)	Unlimited	10 Hours	5 Hours
\$300 Ad Vouchers (i)	✓	✓	✓
Customized Reports (i)	✓	—	—
Customer Care (i)	Priority Customer Care	24/7 Customer Care	24/7 Customer Care

Amazon



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Sign up



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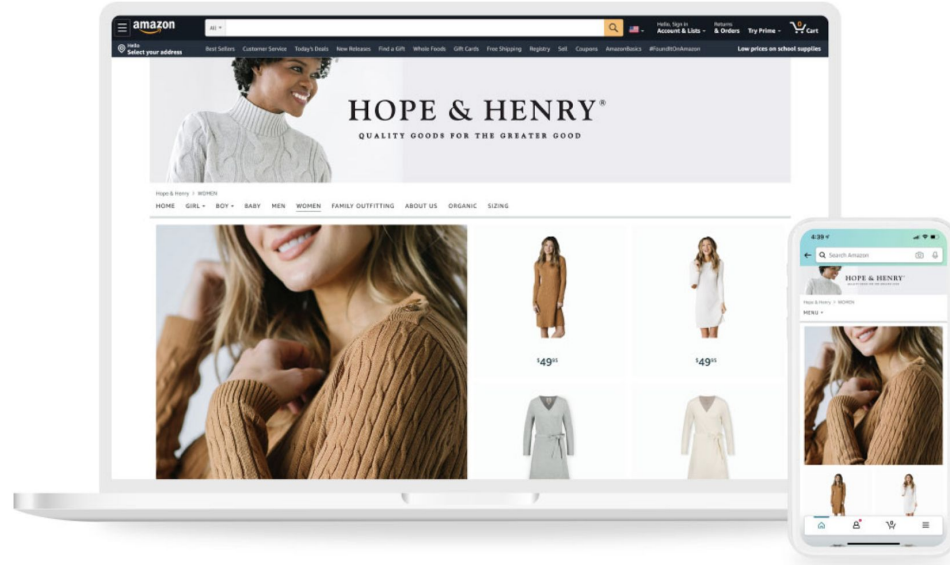
Big opportunity

Register

Customize

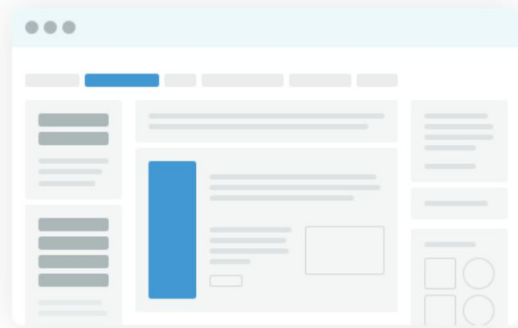
Build

Next steps



Create an Amazon seller account

You can use your customer account to start selling, or you can create a new Amazon seller account with your business email. Before you sign up, make sure you're ready with the following:



Business email address or Amazon customer account

Selling plan

The Individual plan costs \$0.99 per unit sold, and the Professional plan costs \$39.99 per month no matter how many units you sell.

[See plan comparison](#) ↓

Referral fees

Amazon charges a referral fee for each item sold. The amount depends on the product category. Most referral fees are between 8% and 15%.

[See referral fees](#) ↓

Fulfillment fees

The cost to ship your orders depends on whether you fulfill your own orders or use Fulfillment by Amazon (FBA).

[See fulfillment fees](#) ↓

Other costs

Some sellers may incur additional fees (such as long-term storage fees) or pay for optional programs like advertising or premium account services.

[See other costs](#) ↓



COST CALCULATOR

Estimate your Amazon sales margin

The cost of selling on Amazon.com varies based on your product characteristics, fulfillment method, optional services, and other factors. Use this calculator to generate a rough estimate of your per unit sales margin.

Product information

Your cost of goods (per unit) ⓘ

\$10.00

Listing price ⓘ

\$20.00

Product category ⓘ

Beauty ▾

Fulfillment method ⓘ

Fulfillment by Seller ▾

Shipping cost per sale ⓘ

\$2.00

Margin per sale ⓘ

\$6.70

See the breakdown

Item sale price	\$20.00
Cost of goods	- \$10.00
Category referral fee	- \$3.30
TOTAL MARGIN	\$6.70

Instagram



Business

Getting Started

Advertising

Shopping

Resources

News

Create Ad

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Commerce Manager: We built a self-serve destination within Facebook Business Manager for businesses to manage orders, see insights and track payouts.



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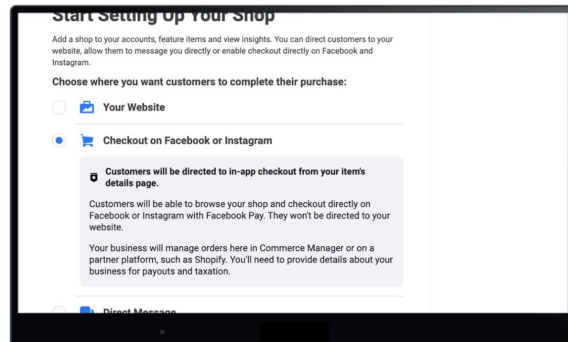
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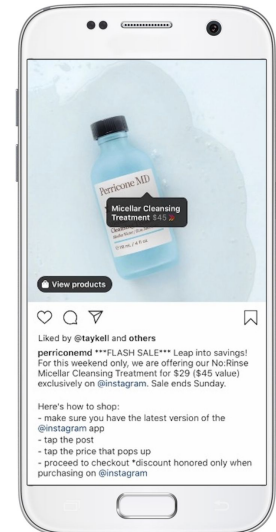
Set up Commerce Manager integration.



MAKE CONTENT ACTIONABLE

People engage with shoppable photos and videos all throughout the app. Use all available touchpoints across Stories, Feed and Profile to **build shopping behaviors**.

1. Use clear CTA's like this Perricone MD example to tell people how to shop your products on Instagram.
2. Update your Profile bio to communicate how to shop your content now that you are on Shopping.



Facebook

FACEBOOK for Business

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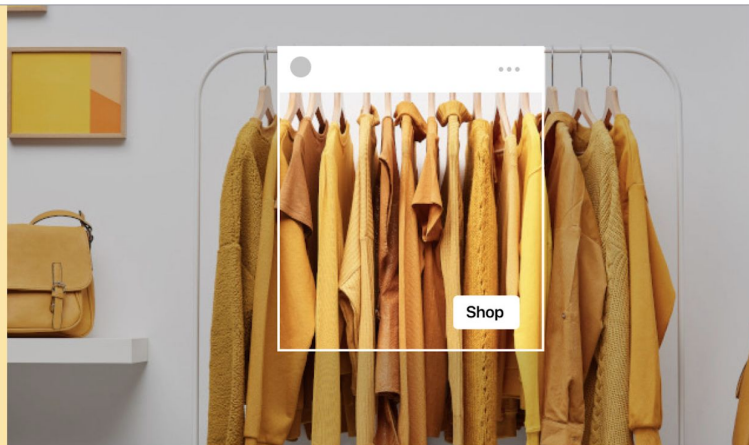
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Facebook Shops

Sell from anywhere
in your
customizable online
shop.

Get Started *



Facebook Shops make selling online easy.

Customizable collections
showcase your featured
products.

A single shop experience
works on both Facebook
and Instagram.

Design features and
creative tools help you
bring your brand to life.

What's Best For Your Business?

There is no one perfect e-commerce platform, just the solution that will work best for your business. As you're considering your options, cost, scalability, and mobile responsiveness are some of the biggest things you should look for.

Make sure you take advantage of the free trials and test out the various features first. This information will help you evaluate your options and choose the e-commerce store that's best for you. - Inc.

Check Analytics & Keep Active & Promote

Google Analytics

Track Keywords

Promote Your Website

Integrate Social Media

Get Links On Other Websites

Build More Pages Based On Search

Keep Homepage Current

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