

Only Claude Code costs anything.

FREE

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The two you install yourself

Neither of these can install itself, and nobody else can sign in as you.

1 VS Code

code.visualstudio.com, install with the defaults. Tick **Add to PATH** if offered.

INSTALLER OPTIONS

- ☐ Create a desktop icon
- ☒ Add to PATH

2 Claude Code

POWERSHELL

```
> irm https://claude.ai/install.ps1 |  
iex
```

MAC OR LINUX

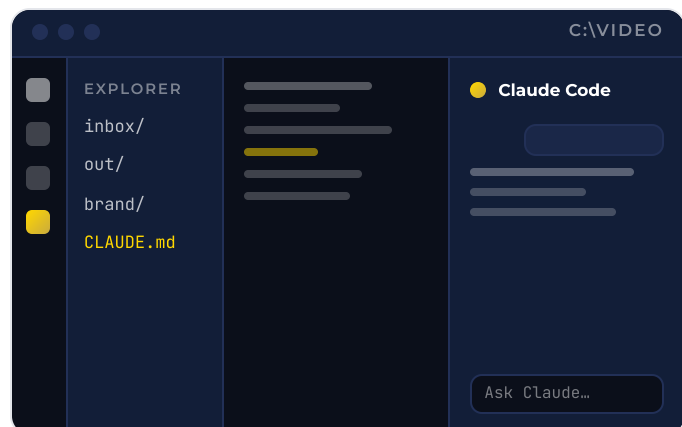
```
> curl -fsSL  
https://claude.ai/install.sh | bash
```

Native installer, so no Node.js needed and it updates itself.

Close PowerShell, open a new one, check it took:

```
> claude --version
```

Then open VS Code, go to Extensions, search **Claude Code**, install it. You get a panel beside your files instead of a separate window. Sign in when prompted.



A panel beside your files, not a separate window

