

5 Remote Project Management Tools to Utilize In 2022

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Project management is complicated enough in the best of times; and it becomes far more difficult when team members are dispersed. To succeed, remote teams must rethink how they coordinate and monitor their efforts due to the challenges of work visibility, communication, and asynchronous collaboration. This is especially true in this “post pandemic” era as it is estimated that 22% of the US workforce (36.2 million Americans) will work remotely by 2025¹. Fortunately, there are a variety of tools available these days, ranging from project scoping and job prioritizing to syncing and tracking progress².



This article details five (5) tools that will be helpful to you as a Project Management professional, regardless of your title (e.g. Project Manager, Product Manager) or if you are a member of a project team. This is by no means an exhaustive list; however, these tools were chosen as they enable effective collaboration within projects.

1. Wrike (<https://www.wrike.com>)

Wrike is a project management application that comes with a slew of sophisticated corporate communication and task management capabilities that will propel your company forward. Project management teams can use Wrike to manage several projects and tasks at the same time. Wrike provides a user activity stream that displays updates to tasks and subtasks, as well as changes made directly to projects or folders. The company boasts of being used at several well-known companies such as Lyft and Google.

2. Trello (<https://trello.com/en-US>)

Trello includes all of the features you'll need to manage remote projects efficiently across time and geography. Trello's goal is to make a team's work easier so it makes use of boards, lists, and cards that may be used to organize projects in a variety of ways. Each of these elements serves a specific purpose, with the boards displaying the projects and their information, the lists containing the titles, and the cards acting as the basic unit. The company boasts of being used at several well-known companies such as Costco and Google.

¹ <https://www.apollotechnical.com/statistics-on-remote-workers/>

² <https://thedigitalprojectmanager.com/remote-project-management-tools/>

3. Notion (<https://www.notion.so/product?fredir=1>)
The market for all-in-one workspaces is crowded, and Notion has a distinct advantage. Notion is a project management software that includes task management, wikis, and documentation. It provides a large library of free Notion templates as well as a recently announced API. The Notion API provides automations similar to those provided by Monday.com and ClickUp.com. The company boasts of being used at several well-known companies such as Tinder and Lululemon.
4. Asana (<https://asana.com>)
Asana provides task management that is influenced by to-do lists as well as project management basics. Asana is organized in rows rather than the column format used by other project management systems. Some of the features Asana offers are: Tasks that Recur, Management of workload, Archival features along with an intuitive task presentation structure; and Flexible Gantt charts with a timeline perspective. The company boasts of being used at several well-known companies such as Amazon and Spotify.
5. Teamwork (<https://www.teamwork.com>)
Teamwork is a client-focused project management solution. It includes certain unique features for tracking billable time that are specifically designed to help a client services company scale. Add-ons for Teamwork go above and beyond what you'd expect from a project management software. It works by automatically sorting and labeling support questions into buckets using specified inboxes. Tickets from the most important clients are dealt with first, and the rest is triaged by the support team. Teamwork's project management solution includes time tracking, Kanban boards, and templates to help you get started quickly. The company boasts of being used at several well-known companies such as Paypal and Netflix.

Conclusion

Narrowing down the ideal project management software for remote and/or hybrid teams isn't easy. With all the tools mentioned providing task management and robust collaboration capabilities, it's crucial to think about factors such as the size of your organization and/or team, the features you want, and the ones you value the most.

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