

Ansible Playbook Platform

Steampunk Spotter

Specialized for Ansible, Steampunk Spotter goes beyond basic linting — performing in-depth analysis to identify hard-to-detect errors and security issues, enforce best practices and compliance, support upgrades, and enable automatic fixes.

Ansible Lint

An open-source CLI tool that applies static, rule-based analysis to Ansible playbooks, roles, and collections, detecting syntax errors, deprecated modules, and security misconfigurations to maintain consistent coding standards.

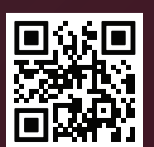
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SETUP & USABILITY		
Primary Function	✔ Security and compliance scanning, best practice validation, upgrades, code maintainability, automation insights.	✔ Code style checking and best practice recommendations.
Installation	✔ Supports all operating systems.	✘ Does not support installation on Windows.
Documentation	✔ Comprehensive - product documentation, links to Ansible module documentation.	✔ Product documentation.
Interface	✔ CLI, VSC extension (with assisted writing and validation), Web app.	✔ CLI, VSC extension.
CHECKS		
Total checks	✔ 200+ checks Focused on ensuring reliable and secure automation.	✔ 52 checks Focused on basic syntax errors.
Best Practice Checks	✔ 62 checks General best practice checks and Security best practice checks.	✔ 23 checks
Validation Checks	✔ 111 checks Covers module usage, parameter settings, best practices, and security concerns.	✔ 20 checks
Security Checks	✔ 114 checks Comprehensive checks based on your environment.	✔ 10 checks
Upgrade Checks	✔ 43 checks In-depth analysis with direct links to documentation and upgrade guidance, ensuring always up-to-date playbooks.	✔ 11 checks
Environment Checks	✔ 36 checks Check whether the playbooks will execute identically across any environment.	✘ No
SECURITY & GOVERNANCE		
Supply Chain Management	✔ Supported	✘ Not supported
SBOM, CVEs, CWEs	✔ Supported	✘ Not supported
Custom Policies	✔ Standard policy language (Rego); programming knowledge not required; organization wide enforcement.	✔ Custom Python rules; programming knowledge required.
Compliance	✔ As custom rules, CIS benchmark library provided.	✔ As custom rules, must be added and implemented as part of development.
Check configurations	✔ Yes Skip and enforce checks organization-wide.	✔ Yes Skip checks only.
AUTOMATION & INTELLIGENCE		
Fix errors automatically	✔ Yes Automatically generates missing requirements files.	✔ Yes
Generative AI	✔ Yes , basic. Real-time task suggestions and validation of AI generated tasks.	✘ No
On-prem AI model retraining	✔ Yes	✘ No
INTEGRATIONS		
CI/CD Integrations	✔ GitHub, GitLab, Jenkins, Bamboo Additional integrations can be developed on-demand.	✔ GitHub Actions, GitHub, Jenkins.
API	✔ Yes	✘ No
TEAM & SUPPORT		
Reporting	✔ Advanced analytics into playbook data, highlighting the most critical errors and the state of your automation.	✘ No
Collaboration	✔ Yes , user and team-level management.	✘ No
Regular product updates	✔ Yes , bi-weekly. Maintained by professional Ansible experts.	✔ Yes , occasional. Proposed by Ansible community members.
Dedicated customer support	✔ Yes 24/7 access to Ansible experts.	✘ No

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