

# Pick your Claude model in 30 seconds.

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## Opus 4.7

SMARTEST

- BEST FOR** Hardest reasoning, long agents, complex coding.
- USE WHEN** Quality matters more than speed or cost.
- SKIP WHEN** A faster model gets it right too.
- SPEED / COST** Slow and pricey. Worth it for the right task.

## Sonnet 4.6

DAILY DRIVER

- BEST FOR** Daily writing, analysis, coding, meetings.
- USE WHEN** You need a strong default. Most tasks.
- SKIP WHEN** You need the absolute hardest reasoning.
- SPEED / COST** Fast, cheap, the default on Free and Pro.

## Haiku 4.5

FASTEST

- BEST FOR** Bulk tasks, quick replies, real-time apps.
- USE WHEN** Speed and cost matter more than depth.
- SKIP WHEN** The work needs nuance or careful reasoning.
- SPEED / COST** Very fast, very cheap, near-frontier on simple work.

### ALSO IN THE PICKER

#### Opus 4.6

- BEST FOR** Heavy reasoning before 4.7 shipped.
- USE WHEN** A pinned workflow needs the older Opus.
- SKIP WHEN** Opus 4.7 ships better results for the same use case.
- SPEED / COST** Same price as 4.7, slightly behind on quality.

#### Opus 3

- BEST FOR** Legacy work that still uses it.
- USE WHEN** A saved chain depends on this exact model.
- SKIP WHEN** Almost always. Sonnet 4.6 is faster and Opus 4.7 is smarter.
- SPEED / COST** Older generation. Slower than its replacements.

#### Sonnet 4.5

- BEST FOR** Teams still on the prior daily driver.
- USE WHEN** A workflow predates Sonnet 4.6.
- SKIP WHEN** Sonnet 4.6 does this with adaptive thinking.
- SPEED / COST** Same tier as 4.6, slightly behind on quality.