Buyer's guide to
Inventory Management Software

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Evaluating your requirements

Inventory software can help your business in lots of different ways. Before you start looking for a specific app, define what you want it to help you achieve. You might want to:

01 SOLVE A SPECIFIC PROBLEM

Maybe your margins are suffering, or you're facing a few too many stockouts. Many businesses choose to adopt new inventory software because their existing system isn't quite up to scratch.

02 SCALE YOUR COMPANY

Future-proofing your systems now can save a headache down the road. Find a solution that caters to your needs today, and in the future when your processes are more complicated.

03 TAKE YOUR INVENTORY ONLINE

Cloud-based systems can revolutionise how a business operates. Cloud inventory management, for example, enables you to access real-time data anywhere, reduce business risk, cut costs and improve accuracy.

DID YOU KNOW?

On average, active inventory management leads to a:

6%
Average Reduction In Costs

2-10%
Increase In Revenue.

WHAT TO WATCH OUT FOR

The technological and pricing considerations
you might want to take into account.

FEATURES

Identifying which features you'll need is
key picking the right piece of software. If
you want to enable your salespeople to
access inventory data while on the road, for
instance, you'll need software that's also
available via mobile.

Different apps will come with different
features. But a few powerful ones you might
want to consider include batch tracking,
low stock alerts, barcode scanning, a B2B
eCommerce store, and bills of materials
for manufacturing.

TIP

*Look for a provider that regularly
releases new features — and that
listens to user feedback when deciding
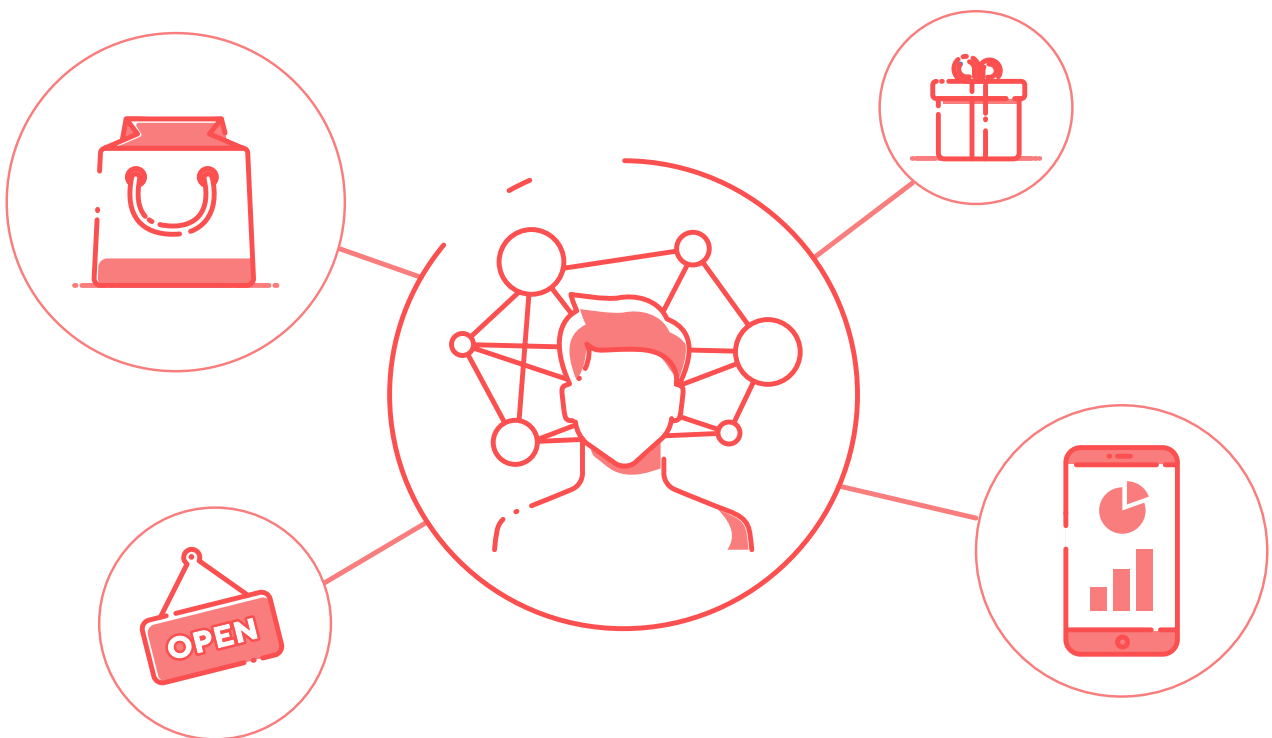what to develop next.*

INTEGRATION

Upgrading to cloud-based inventory software enables you to sync up your stock system with your apps for accounting, eCommerce and more. This can bring monumental benefits to your inventory effectiveness, business efficiency and your bottom line.

When deciding which app to adopt, make sure to check that it integrates fully with other software you're using, or planning to use in the future.

TIP

Struggling to find a specific integration? Some solutions will allow you to create custom APIs and EDIs to sync up any app you want.

COST

Picking the right piece of software will help you cut costs and grow profits. It's better to look for an app that will deliver ROI, which might not necessarily be the one with the cheapest payment plan.

Compare the total cost of an app to the return it can deliver by helping you grow margins, reduce waste and save time. You may well find that the more sophisticated choice offers better value.

TIP

Plan for growth by checking whether you'll be able to add users easily without being forced to upgrade to a more expensive plan.

SETUP AND SUPPORT

You won't be able to get the full benefit from your new software without proper implementation, sufficient training and help when you need it.

IMPLEMENTATION

Getting your new software set up right is imperative. Poorly implemented inventory software can suffocate efficiency, meaning you don't see a return on the system you've paid for. Make sure to research the implementation support offered by each app you're considering.

TRAINING

Training will help you and your team get more out of your new system, so pay attention to what you'll receive from each inventory provider. Consider what you'll need in the future, too. If you see your company growing in the next few years, you might need access to a training module to get new hires up to speed quickly.

ONGOING HELP

Find out how easy it is to get answers to your queries, and solutions to problems, as you don't want to be left to fend for yourself if something goes wrong. User reviews and case studies are two a great ways of finding out out how other businesses are getting on with software.

NEXT STEPS

Ready to try Unleashed?

Sign up for a free 14-day trial to see firsthand how Unleashed can benefit your business.

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