

Vectorworks Landmark FAQ

1. Who uses Vectorworks Landmark?

Vectorworks® Landmark is a tailored CAD solution for landscape architecture, landscape design, landscape design/build and land planning professionals in both municipal and private enterprise fields. With Vectorworks Landmark, you can handle all phases of a design: quickly drawing the first idea or sketch, easily developing the design, creating compelling presentations, and documenting construction plans, all while visualizing the design in 2D or 3D.

2. What is Vectorworks Landmark known for?

Vectorworks Landmark is known for being a very flexible, versatile, and intuitive design solution, and it is unequalled in the cost-performance ratio. It is simply the best integrated 2D and 3D landscape solution on the market today.

3. Can I design a 3D model in Vectorworks?

Yes. Our 3D modeling is based on the leading Parasolid technology to provide best-in-class modeling. You'll design with many 3D objects such as massing models, landscape walls, building walls, tree/shrub images, windows, doors, and stairs. Additionally, Vectorworks Landmark features a set of sophisticated tools that facilitate true, free-form modeling.

4. Which special functions does Vectorworks Landmark offer?

There are a number of special tools in Vectorworks Landmark that give you a tremendous advantage over the competition. You'll have the flexibility to create planting plans with the Place Plant and Landscape Area Tools, with the assistance of a built-in customizable plant database. Built features such as paved areas and walls are made easier and smarter with the Hardscape and Wall tools. Site models will give you easy 2D data with contours, flow arrows, and slope analysis, as well as accurate 3D models that are great for visualization. And, with our superior graphics and dimensioning tools, creating your construction documents is a snap.

5. How quickly can I learn Vectorworks Landmark?

Vectorworks Landmark is known for its streamlined user interface and workflow. Getting you up and running quickly is our goal. Typically, after a two-day training course you'll understand the basics of Vectorworks Landmark and you'll be able to start designing. We also have a number of self-training options available so you can learn at your own pace. We offer tutorials with illustrated, step-by-step instructions and sample designs. See our [Training page](#) for a list of tutorials.

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6. Can I create renderings and video animations with Vectorworks Landmark?

Yes. Vectorworks Landmark with Renderworks provides the ability to create videos of paths (walkthrough and flyover) and solar animations. With the Renderworks add-on, you can also create high-quality photorealistic and artistic rendered models that you can use to produce stunning images and animations.

7. What graphics options does Vectorworks Landmark offer?

Vectorworks Landmark offers you the freedom to design your way, and we're known for our graphics capabilities—we have tons of options: colored fills, gradients, 2D tiles, transparencies, hatches, unlimited colors, variable line weights, and many other tools, such as the popular sketch mode, to help you realize your exact vision with your personal style.

8. Is there a student version of Vectorworks?

Yes. Students around the world use Vectorworks Designer with Renderworks, which combines all the functionality of Vectorworks Landmark, Architect, and Spotlight into a single application. For more information, visit our [Student Portal](#).

9. Which schools are using Vectorworks Landmark?

Many institutions of higher education and other schools throughout the world have already discovered Vectorworks Landmark. To effectively prepare your students for a successful career in landscape architecture, landscape design, or land planning, please visit our [academic website](#) to contact our educational team.

10. After the original purchase of Vectorworks Landmark, are there further costs?

You are not obligated to upgrade at any time. If you choose to upgrade, you may do so for only a fraction of the original cost of a new license. Nemetschek Vectorworks offers a variety of services (many of them free) to help users succeed with Vectorworks products. Take advantage of free options like service pack updates, Getting Started Guides, technical support, the knowledgebase, the eDispatch online newsletter, local user groups, the Community Board, and tech tips. Or, for more personalized training, you can purchase workbooks, online training options, Vectorworks Service Select, and group or individual training courses. Check out the many resources on our [Training page](#).

11. What types of files can I import or export from within Vectorworks Landmark?

Vectorworks Landmark handles a large variety of import and export formats. You can import and export files in a DXF/DWG format, which will work accurately with the application your client or colleague may be using. You can also reuse premade blocks, symbols, and standard details that were produced in DWG/DXF format. With the option to import shapefiles, you can now switch effortlessly between CAD and GIS data. You can also import or create PDFs, JPGs, TIFs, and MOVs of your visualizations and designs to help your clients see your vision. Many other formats (Parasolid X_T, SAT, 3DS, EPS, PICT, STL, SKP, C4D, and IGS, among others) allow you to exchange data freely with almost every application.

12. Can I install my licensed software on either a Macintosh or a PC?

Yes. Your license is cross platform so you can choose to install your software on either a Macintosh or PC. Please refer to the [end user license agreement](#) (EULA) for further details regarding additional restrictions or limitations of different licenses and protection methods.

13. Can co-workers simultaneously work on the same project?

You bet! Vectorworks Landmark uses reference technology to allow several co-workers to work on the same project simultaneously. You can reference symbols, parts of a plan, or even entire siteplans together. And, with the help of workgroup referencing, the office standards can be set up so that everyone can access the standard office libraries, colors, documents, organizational structures, and much more. With Vectorworks Landmark, you can all move ahead together.

14. Are object libraries included in the purchase price?

Yes. There are no extra charges for the extra objects you'll get—plant and tree symbols, open space equipment pieces, human figures, and vehicles. We update all libraries constantly, and this content is completely customizable—you can even add your own.

15. Who can get the free Vectorworks Viewer?

You, your colleagues, your clients—anyone who wants to open, view, or print Vectorworks documents can get the free Viewer. The Viewer helps the plot service or printer who needs to work with Vectorworks files. Owners and clients can use the Viewer to see the documents without the need for a full version of Vectorworks. The files cannot be changed; all tools except those for revision control are blocked. With the Viewer, you can open drawings from all Vectorworks products. Download it from [our website](#), free of charge.

16. What are the system recommendations for Vectorworks Landmark?

Windows: 4GB RAM, Pentium 2 GHz or better processor, Windows XP SP3, Vista SP2, Windows 7
Macintosh: 4GB RAM, Intel Core 2 GHz or better processor, Mac OS X 10.5.7 or higher
For the most current and update information, please visit our [Knowledge base](#).