

Install In the Margins

About five minutes. You need Lightroom Classic 12 or later, on macOS 12 or later or Windows 10 (64-bit) or later. Running the AI on your own Mac also needs an Apple Silicon Mac.

1 Download

When you start the free trial or buy a license, Polar emails you a download link. Download the zip file.

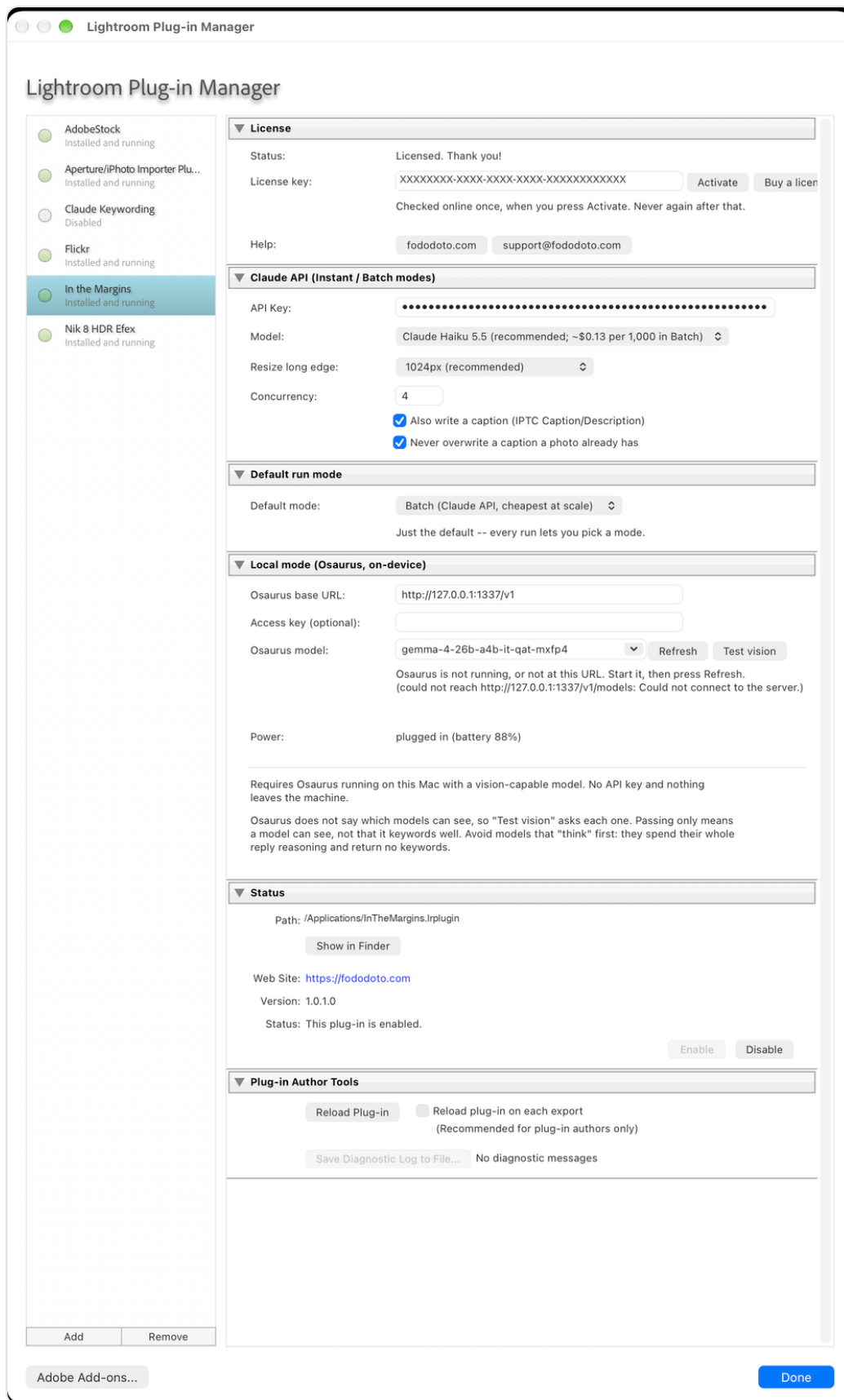
2 Unzip it and put it somewhere permanent

Double-click the zip. You get a folder called **InTheMargins.Irplugin**. On a Mac it may look like a single file, which is normal.

Move it somewhere it can stay, such as your Documents or Applications folder. Lightroom loads it from there every time it starts, so don't leave it in Downloads.

3 Add it to Lightroom

1. In Lightroom Classic, choose **File > Plug-in Manager**.
2. Click **Add** (bottom left), select the **InTheMargins.Irplugin** folder and confirm.
3. **In the Margins** appears in the list as *Installed and running*. Its settings are on the right.



In the Margins in the Plug-in Manager, with its settings on the right.

4 Connect an AI

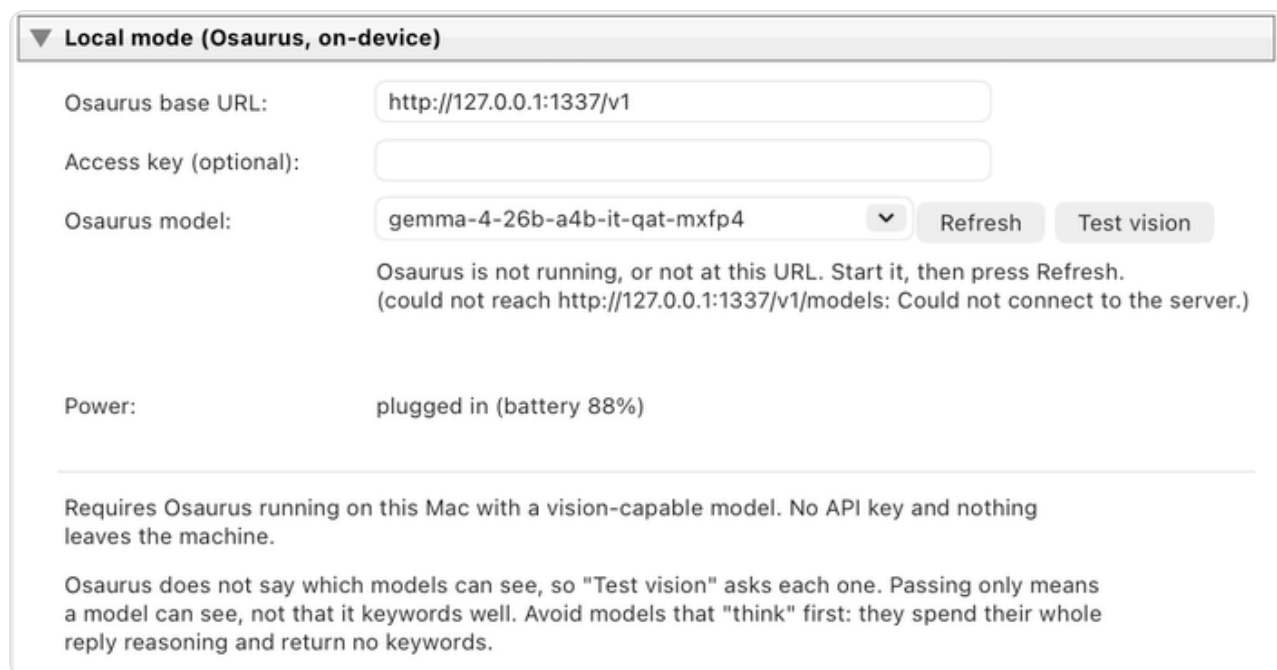
Still in the Plug-in Manager, set up one of these. You can set up both and choose each time you run it.

Claude (recommended). You pay Anthropic directly for what you use, about 13¢ per 1,000 photos in Batch mode.

1. Go to **console.anthropic.com** and create an account.
2. Under **Billing**, add some credit. A few dollars covers thousands of photos.
3. Under **API Keys**, click **Create Key** and copy it.
4. Paste it into **API Key** in the Claude API section of the Plug-in Manager.

On your Mac (free). Nothing leaves your computer. Best on bright, daytime photos.

1. Install the free **Osaurus** app (github.com/dinoki-ai/osaurus) and download the **Gemma 4 26B** model in it.
2. Keep Osaurus open, then click **Refresh** next to **Osaurus model** and pick the model.



▼ Local mode (Osaurus, on-device)

Osaurus base URL:

Access key (optional):

Osaurus model: ▼

Osaurus is not running, or not at this URL. Start it, then press Refresh.
(could not reach http://127.0.0.1:1337/v1/models: Could not connect to the server.)

Power: plugged in (battery 88%)

Requires Osaurus running on this Mac with a vision-capable model. No API key and nothing leaves the machine.

Osaurus does not say which models can see, so "Test vision" asks each one. Passing only means a model can see, not that it keywords well. Avoid models that "think" first: they spend their whole reply reasoning and return no keywords.

The Local mode settings. "Osaurus is not running" goes away once the app is open and you click Refresh.

5 Activate your license

The free trial needs nothing: it starts the first time you use the plug-in. After you buy, Polar emails you a license key. Paste it into **License key** at the top of the Plug-in Manager and click **Activate**. The key is checked once, then never again.

6 Check it works

Select one photo in the Library and choose

Library > Plug-in Extras > Keyword Selected Photos... Pick **Instant** (or **Local**) and click **Run**. Keywords appear on the photo within seconds. The quick guide covers the rest.

7 Updating and help

- **Updating:** quit Lightroom, replace the old InTheMargins.lrplugin folder with the new one in the same place, and start Lightroom again. Your settings and progress carry over.
- **No Plug-in Extras menu?** Make sure you're in the Library module. In the Plug-in Manager, In the Margins should say *Installed and running*. If it says Disabled, select it and click **Enable**.
- **"Set an Anthropic API key in the Plugin Manager first":** do the Claude steps in step 4, or choose Local mode.
- **Anything else:** email support@fododoto.com with what you were doing and, if you can, a screenshot of the message.

Questions: support@fododoto.com · fododoto.com

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