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# **Bluehost Vs. DreamHost Shared Hosting Comparison Analysis**



Let us Compare and Analyze on the **Shared hosting plans** provided by two world's most popular web hosting providers.

That is bluehost (Shared Basic plan) and DreamHost. (Shared Starter plan)

If you are someone, starting to blog or starting a small business and looking for **best budget-friendly** hosting services.

And, need a comparison analysis on the price and features provided by these hosting services

You can read on!

So that you can make informed decisions depending on the analysis provided here.

## Why Shared Hosting?

Shared hosting is where the web hosting server is **shared** by many users.

In other words **multiple users share** the same server and resources like <u>CPU</u>, <u>RAM</u>, Disk Space (SSD) and <u>bandwidth</u>.

It is the **basic hosting services** provided by the most hosting services.

Moreover, it is the **most budget-friendly hosting** services for any beginners.

For any, beginner bloggers or someone who is starting a business or for someone who owns a small business and looking for migration.

Therefore, shared hosting would be a best option for anyone who is starting over.

Basically shared means you will be sharing the resources like the CPU, RAM, Disk Storage (SSD) and other resources with other individuals on the same server.

Unlike the dedicated server, here you will be **sharing the resources** with other users. At the same time the server **maintenance cost** and **management cost** is shared by multiple sites. Hence, lower monthly cost.

Moreover, once your blog or business starts to grow you have a choice to upgrade to further plans like VPS or dedicated hosting.

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Next, let us see, bluehost Vs. DreamHost comparison analysis.

And also, on what are some differences and similarities between the two hosting services.

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# **Bluehost Vs. DreamHost Comparison Analysis**

Services	<u>Bluehost</u>	<u>DreamHost</u>
Customer Array:	Powering over 2 million websites	Powering over 1.5 million websites
Established	1996 (freehosting) 2003 (bluehost) (24 Years)	1997 (23 Years)
Recommended by	Wordpress.org	Wordpress.org
Services Offered	Shared, VPS, Dedicated, WordPress, and eComerce hosting(s)	VPS, WordPress, Dedicated and Cloud hosting(s).
Professional Services	Professional marketing, SEO, Pay-Per- Click and website migration services for small to medium sized businesses.	Professional services like Design, Marketing (SEO, Social media) Website Management and Custom Web Development services.
Scalable Products	Yes	Yes
Customized Websites	Yes	Yes
Installation:	1-click WordPress install	1-Click WordPress Installation
Free-Automated Migration	On some plans	For All plans
User-Friendly Dashboards	Yes	Yes
Free Privacy Protection for personal information	On some plans	For all plans
Support:	24/7/365 support via phone, chat, email, social media with a help center that provides guides, videos tutorials, FAQ and more	<b>24/7/365 support</b> via chat, email, and social media. Comprehensive knowledge base FAQ. And DreamHost Academy to easy set-up
Price:	Starting at \$3.95/mo.	Starting at <b>\$2.49</b> /mo.
Agreement:	30 day Money-back guarantee (If you cancel the hosting service for any reason within the 30 days limit, the amount excludes your domain cost and the one month used services and any other set-up cost)	97 day Money-back guarantee (If you cancel the hosting service for any reason within the 30 days limit, the amount excludes your domain cost and the one month used services and any other set-up cost)
Uptime:	99.98%	99.99%

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#### **Bluehost Vs. DreamHost Shared hosting Plan Comparison Analysis**

Let us see here the comparison of shared hosting plans and prices between Bluehost and DreamHost.

Before we jump into the analysis, let me prompt you, I only do the explanation and analysis part here.

As a reader the deciding factor is yours.

Based on the below evaluation you can chose the best hosting services between the two that suits your requirements, budget and purpose.

Note: The prices shown here are the current prices. These prices keep varying according to seasons.

First, let us see the plans provided by the bluehost and DreamHost.

#### Bluehost Shared Plans are:

- Basic
- Plus
- Choice Plus
- Pro

**BASIC** 

When you need just one site.

\$3.95/mo\*

Normally <del>\$7.99</del> 36/mo term **PLUS** 

For those running multiple sites.

\$5.95/mo\*

Normally \$10.99 36/mo term **CHOICE PLUS** 

With added privacy and security features.

\$6.95/mo\*

Normally <del>\$14.99</del> 36/mo term

PRO

Get more power with optimized web resources.

\$13.95/mo\*

Regularly \$23.99 36/mo term

**Note:** Above prices are for bluehost's 36 months plan

#### DreamHost Shared Plans are:

- Shared Starter
- Shared Unlimited



**Shared Starter** 

A great place to start! Website hosting with an entry level price for new sites, including WordPress.

Starting at

\$2.49/mo <sup>3</sup>



#### **Shared Unlimited**

Great for multiple websites, including WordPress, and anyone who wants email hosting @ your domain.

Starting at

\$3.95/mo <sup>®</sup>

Note: Above prices are DreamHost's 3 Year plan

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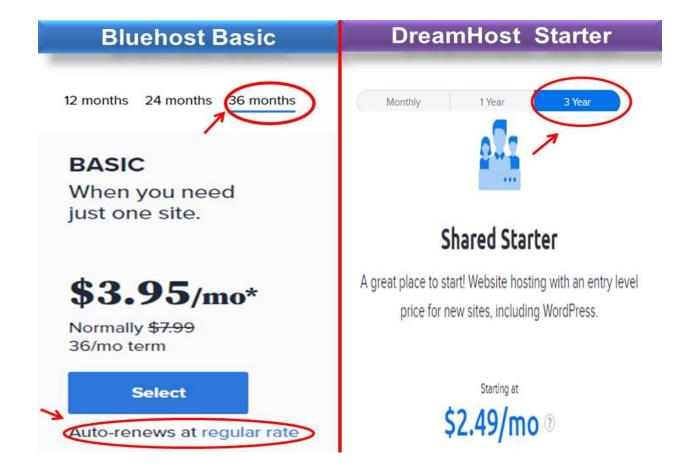
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#### **Bluehost Vs. DreamHost Shared Hosting Price Comparison Analysis**

The two elementary **Shared plans** we are going to compare here is:

- Bluehost Basic plan for 36 months
- DreamHost Starter Plan for 3 year



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Shared Hosting	BlueHost Basic Plan	DreamHost Starter Plan
Plan Periods	12,24 and <b>36 months</b>	Monthly, 1 Year, 3 Year
Monthly	No plan	\$3.95
12 Months (1Year)	\$5.95	\$2.49
24 Months	\$4.95	No plan
36 Months (3 Year)	\$3.95	\$2.49

If you look at the prices for elementary plans, bluehost Basic plan price is starting from \$3.95/mo. for 36 months' time period.

DreamHost Starter plan price is starting from \$2.49/mo. for 3 year contract.

These prices are only for the first time buyers. After the time period 36 months (3 years) or 24 months or 12 months (1 Year) they return to Auto-renewal prices.

That means, after the 3 years' (36 months) time period the prices Auto-renews at current rates.

bluehost **Basic Plan** current rate is **\$7.99/mo** and for DreamHost **Starter Plan** the current rate is **\$2.59/mo**.

All hosting payments are paid for upfront and full at sign up.

That means if you opt for 36 months shared basic plan (\$3.95 \* 12 \* 3) total amount for bluehost will be **\$142.20**.

And, for DreamHost for a shared starter 3 year plan (\$2.49 \* 12 \* 3) total amount you will be paying is **\$89.64**.

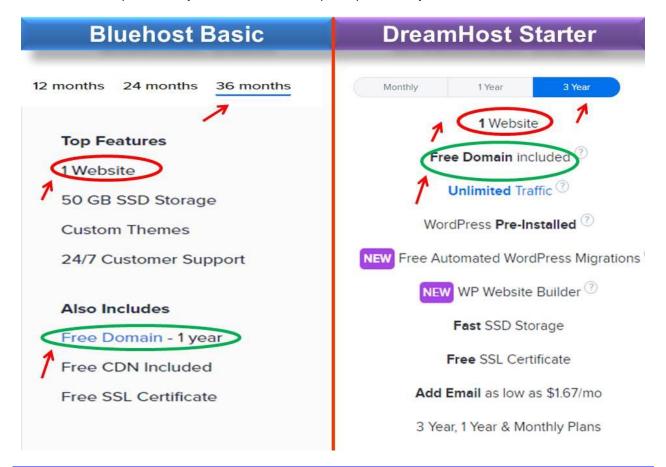
Here, is the table how much you will be paying for 36 months or 3 year plan for bluehost and Dream host elementary shared plans.

Shared Hosting	bluehost Basic	DreamHost Starter
Period	36 Months	3 Years
Price	\$3.95	\$2.49
Total upfront payment you pay	\$142.20	\$89.64

Next, you can view the **top feature** of bluehost and DreamHost elementary shared plans.

#### Bluehost Vs. DreamHost Shared Plans feature Comparison Analysis

Below let us compare the top features for the two plans provided by bluehost and DreamHost.



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Bluehost provides 12 months, 24 months and 36 months plans.

DreamHost provides monthly, 1 year, 3 year plans.

In both the plans you can host **one website free** with **one free domain** included.

Additionally, DreamHost provides Add on email feature for \$1.67.

Note that for DreamHost monthly Shared plans you have to purchase the domain for \$6.99.

You can head <u>over here</u> if you want to read the analysis on <u>DreamHost's two monthly packages Shared</u> starter and Shared unlimited.

You can view the below table for more clarity on the **top features** provided by bluehost and DreamHost.

For even more drill down features you can head over here.

#### Bluehost Vs. DreamHost Shared Plans Top Feature Comparison Analysis Table(s)

In the below table you can see the comparison analysis of each **top feature(s)** provided by bluehost and DreamHost.

Shared Hosting	Bluehost Basic Plan	DreamHost Starter Plan
Plan Periods	12, 24 and 36 Months	Monthly, 1 Year, 3 Year
Price	\$3.95 (Auto-renewal to regular prices after the time period)	\$2.49 (Auto-renewal to regular prices after the time period)
Website	One Website	One Website
Domain	Free Domain-One Year	Free Domain- One Year (Not for Monthly Plans)
SSD Storage	50 GB SSD Storage	50 GB SSD Storage
SSL Certificate	Free	Free
CDN	Included	-
Custom Themes	Yes	Yes
Automated Wordpress Migration	-	Yes
Email	-	Add on for \$1.67/mo
WordPress Installed	Yes	Yes
Wordpress Website Builder	-	Yes

Note: The above prices are prices for 36 Months (3 Year). These prices can vary sometimes.

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For further detail drill down of the features you can refer this table of features provided by bluehost and DreamHost.

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36 Months (3 Year)	\$3.95	\$2.49
Website	One Website	One Website
Domain Registration	Free Domain-One Year	Free Domain-One Year
Sub Domains	25	5
Domain Privacy	No	Yes
CPU	Standard	Standard
SSD Storage	50 GB SSD Storage	50 GB SSD Storage
Bandwidth	Unmetered	Unmetered
SSL Certificate	Auto SSL	Available
CDN	Included	No
Maximum File Count	200, 000	No information
Custom Themes	Yes	Yes
Automated WordPress Migration	No	Yes
WordPress Installed	Yes	Yes
WordPress Website Builder	No	Yes
Automatic WordPress updates	Yes	Yes
Email	5	Add on \$1.67/mo. (5)
Email Storage	100MB	125MB
Maximum email sent per hour	500	No information
Automated Daily Backup	No	Yes
MySQL Databases	20	6
Visits per month	Unmetered	Unmetered
<b>Custom Build Control Panel</b>	Yes	Yes

Note that the above prices are for the first time buyers. Once the time period lapses the price(s) of these plans are charged on the current prevailing prices. Those are higher than the prices provided on this table.

For the current running prices for bluehost Basic Plan is \$7.99 and for DreamHost Starter Plan is \$2.59.

Furthermore, DreamHost free domain is valid only for **one year** and **3 year plans** only. And, if you opt for DreamHost Monthly hosting, the domain cost will be **\$6.99** one time payment.

One more, difference is about **Domain Privacy**.

bluehost does not provide Domain privacy protection for the basic plan.

DreamHost **provides** Domain privacy protection for the starter plan.

#### What is Domain Privacy?

Having a domain privacy protection will hide Domain registrants personal information (like name, Address) from the public view and keeps the information private.

Next, let us see the takeaway tip on the bluehost Vs. DreamHost Shared comparison analysis.

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# **Takeaway Tip**

Above, we have seen the bluehost Vs DreamHost Shared Hosting Comparison Analysis.

As I prompted earlier, I only do the explanation and analysis part here.

Moreover, since both the products are equally competitive out there.

Now, it is your decision to make according to your situation and requirements, taking into consideration your **budget** and **purpose** of hosting.

- However, here is my take, if you are someone who is on a tight budget and just starting over you
  can opt for DreamHost.
- Since, price is less in comparative to the bluehost Shared hosting.
- Moreover, if you are someone who is considering keeping your budget as low as possible even after
   one year or 3 years depending on your hosting purpose you can go with the DreamHost.
- Because, the renewal prices for bluehost are much higher in comparison with the DreamHost.
- Moreover, with DreamHost you have a monthly option too with no contract, no commitments, cancel anytime and pay monthly.
- You can head <u>over here</u> if you want to read the analysis on <u>DreamHost's two monthly packages</u>
   Shared starter and Shared unlimited.
- At the same time, if you are someone who can afford the current prices and further renewal prices you can opt for bluehost.

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Good luck with your hosting plans and don't forget to reach out if you have any questions on hosting at <a href="mybookrave@gmail.com">mybookrave@gmail.com</a>.

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