

THE BITCOIN ACCUMULATOR'S RESOURCE LIST

18 Tools, Apps, Books, and Websites Worth Your Time

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Every resource on this list was selected against one criterion: does it make a systematic Bitcoin accumulator more capable? Tools that add complexity without adding value are not here. Resources primarily useful for trading, altcoins, or speculation are not here. This list is for the reader of this book.

PLATFORMS FOR ACCUMULATING

- 1. Swan Bitcoin** — *swanbitcoin.com* The cleanest Bitcoin-only DCA platform for US accumulators. Low recurring purchase fees, automatic withdrawal to hardware wallet, and no altcoin temptation. Best for weekly or monthly buyers above \$50/week. The platform Daniel's plan uses throughout this book.
 - 2. River Financial** — *river.com* The other premium Bitcoin-only option. Slightly more feature-rich than Swan, with a built-in Bitcoin IRA product and excellent customer service reputation. Fee structure competitive with Swan at most buy sizes. Worth comparing directly against Swan for your specific amount.
 - 3. Strike** — *strike.me* Zero-fee Bitcoin purchases funded via ACH transfer. Excellent for cost-sensitive accumulators at smaller buy sizes. Less feature-rich than Swan or River in terms of automatic custody transfers, but the fee advantage at lower amounts is meaningful compounded over years.
 - 4. Coinbase** — *coinbase.com* The most accessible entry point for first-time buyers, with the widest name recognition and regulatory track record. Fee structure is higher than Bitcoin-only platforms at most buy sizes — review Chapter 5's fee comparison before staying here long-term. Recurring buy feature is functional and reliable.
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HARDWARE WALLETS FOR SELF-CUSTODY

- 5. Ledger Nano X** — *ledger.com* The hardware wallet referenced throughout this book. Bluetooth-enabled, supports Bitcoin natively, widely documented with extensive troubleshooting resources. Purchase only from Ledger's official website — never from a third-party marketplace. Setup covered in detail in *Bitcoin Self-Custody for Beginners*.
- 6. Coldcard Mk4** — *coinkite.com* The hardware wallet preferred by technically advanced users who want maximum security and air-gap capability. Steeper learning curve than Ledger, but

considered best-in-class for Bitcoin-only self-custody by security-focused holders. A Stage 3 or Stage 4 tool; mentioned here for completeness.

TRACKING AND TAX TOOLS

7. Koinly — *koinly.io* The tax reporting tool recommended in Chapter 9. Connects to all major exchanges, calculates cost basis automatically, generates IRS-compatible tax reports, and supports FIFO lot selection. Annual subscription cost pays for itself within the first sale event for any meaningful position.

8. CoinTracker — *cointracker.io* The alternative to Koinly, with slightly different exchange compatibility and a cleaner interface that some users prefer. Both Koinly and CoinTracker handle DCA portfolios well. Try the free tier of each with your transaction history and choose based on your exchange coverage.

9. Bitcoin Transaction Log Template — www.kryptowolfbtc.com The spreadsheet template from Chapter 9. Columns: date, USD amount, BTC received, price per BTC at purchase, platform, transaction fee, running total BTC, running total cost basis. Free download. Set it up this week, before another buy goes unlogged.

MARKET AWARENESS TOOLS

10. Crypto Fear & Greed Index — *alternative.me/crypto/fear-and-greed-index* The accumulation signal referenced in Chapters 7 and 10. Check it when deploying windfalls or considering crash protocol acceleration. Do not check it daily — it will activate exactly the emotional responses your pre-commitment contract exists to prevent.

11. Bitcoin Halving Countdown — *bitcoinblockhalf.com* A clean, single-purpose tool showing the current block height, time to next halving, and current block reward. Useful for cycle awareness (Chapter 11). Takes ten seconds to check and requires no account or registration.

12. Mempool.space — *mempool.space* The cleanest on-chain Bitcoin explorer. Useful for verifying that your hardware wallet transfer arrived, checking transaction confirmation status, and understanding network fee conditions before a transfer. Free, no account required, no noise.

BOOKS WORTH READING NEXT

13. *The Bitcoin Standard* — **Saifedean Ammous** The monetary economics case for Bitcoin, argued from first principles. Not an accumulation guide — this is the intellectual foundation. If

you want to understand *why* Bitcoin's fixed supply matters at a deep level, this is the book. Read it after your accumulation system is running, not instead of setting it up.

14. *Layered Money* — Nik Bhatia A more accessible companion to *The Bitcoin Standard*, tracing the history of monetary layers from gold through central banking to Bitcoin. Excellent for understanding where Bitcoin sits in the broader monetary system. Readable in a weekend.

15. *Bitcoin Self-Custody for Beginners* — [Author] The companion volume to this book, covering the complete hardware wallet setup process, seed phrase backup strategies, inheritance documentation, and the conversation with your estate attorney. Picks up exactly where Chapter 15 ends. If your 90-day review identifies self-custody as your next gap, this is your next book.

EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

16. Bitcoin Magazine — *bitcoinmagazine.com* The longest-running Bitcoin-focused publication. Useful for staying current on regulatory developments, institutional adoption, and protocol developments without wading through altcoin noise. Check weekly, not daily.

17. Unchained Capital Blog — *unchained.com/blog* Consistently high-quality long-form writing on Bitcoin self-custody, inheritance planning, and Bitcoin-collateralised financial products. Particularly useful as you move from Stage 1 (Accumulator) to Stage 2 (Sovereign Holder).

18. The Investors Podcast — Bitcoin Fundamentals Series — *theinvestorspodcast.com* Preston Pysh's Bitcoin-focused episodes are among the most technically credible audio resources available for the non-developer Bitcoin holder. The Bitcoin Fundamentals series covers macroeconomic context, on-chain analysis, and cycle dynamics in accessible language. Good for long commutes.