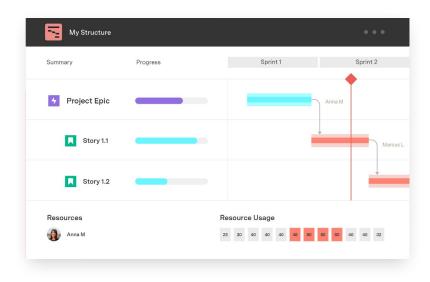


Quick start: Gantt Charts in Jira



Your Jira instances are full of data - maybe even too much data. What you need is a way to visualize the important things and bring actionable insights to the surface.

That's what you get with Structure PPM, the #1 project portfolio management tool for Jira, and its popular Gantt Charts add-on. With Gantt Charts, you gain a visualization tool powered by custom hierarchies allowing you to visualize your roadmap, project plans, timeline, and dependencies across multiple Jira instances.

"Structure and Gantt Charts for Structure gave us an unprecedented overview of our building projects. We could track and report on milestones easily within Jira, something other tools couldn't offer. The simplicity and intuitive nature of these tools empowered us to achieve amazing results."

Tina Myerscough, CEO at Demicon Austria



Definition: Critical path

Highlights items that directly affect the project's end date. This includes the task with the latest finish date, along with any items that, if delayed, will also delay the last task and thereby extend the project's end date. If a task is part of the critical path, it is shown with an orange box around it.

Here's a walkthrough of how to create powerful Gantt charts in Jira – in less than five minutes.

*Note: Both Structure and Gantt Charts offer a free trial

- Start by adding Structure PPM from the Atlassian Marketplace* if you don't have it
- Add Gantt Charts for Structure PPM*
- Select "Create Structure" and choose the Gantt Chart template, then press Next
- Choose your start date and define the scope of issues you'd like to work with - projects, agile boards, issue types, other Jira fields
 - Define your work breakdown structure rules
- Select the parameters to be used for building your chart - dependencies, start and finish dates ("blocks" is a common field for dependencies)
- Choose which Jira fields to use for resources, e.g. "Team"
 - Finally, name your new Structure and Gantt Chart

Once you click Create, your Structure board will open alongside a Gantt chart. You'll also see a resource allocation panel, which shows the number of hours assigned to each person.





How Demicon Austria uses Gantt Charts for Structure

Demicon Austria is a leading provider of IT solutions, known for its expertise in digital transformation. Since 2008, they've been helping businesses futureproof their operations with a people-first approach.



Challenge

Managing 300 housing projects in Vienna with a 500-user data center and over 200 project managers was a colossal task. The need for clear oversight and coordination among numerous milestones was paramount.

"One of the key challenges we had was the amount of milestones that had to interact with each other. *However – with Structure – one of the key elements* we used is that we can now see 15-20 regulated milestones for our 300 projects in a single overview.

It wasn't just that we could see two or three more projects - but all 300 of them in a single Gantt chart."

Solution

When Demicon Austria discovered Structure PPM and Gantt Charts for Structure, it was a perfect fit. With a comprehensive overview and seamless tracking of project milestones within Jira, these tools drastically improved project visibility and management.

"One overview for all those milestones, the timing and status of them as well. This was only possible with Structure and Gantt Charts for Structure.

Other tools don't give you that overview nor the possibility to drill down into the specifics."

Try the latest features

Sign up for a free trial of Gantt Charts for Structure PPM and try some recent features, such as an improved UI for scheduling conflicts and enhanced PDF export functionality. You'll also find a sandbox mode that allows you to make tentative plans and handle what-if scenarios.

Start building simple, powerful Gantt Charts