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Harvest MCP

Manage Billing and Time Without Leaving Your Chat Window.

Harvest MCP lets you manage all your time tracking, client records, and invoicing directly through any AI agent. Forget switching between dashboards to track billable hours or create invoices. This connector gives your AI assistant full control over your entire billing cycle—from listing active projects to generating new draft invoices for clients.

A+ Quality Score 100/100

time-tracking | invoicing | project-billing | expense-tracking | timesheets | client-management

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SCAN TO VIEW

The infrastructure that powers AI agents in the real world.

Vinkius connects AI to the world's software through secure, enterprise-grade infrastructure — enabling real-world execution at scale, built on the Model Context Protocol (MCP).

Your AI Connections Run Through Vinkius Cloud

The world's largest managed MCP catalog

Vinkius is the cloud infrastructure where AI agents connect to the software your business already runs. We handle the hosting, the security, the credentials, the uptime — you get agents that actually do things.

We operate the world's largest managed MCP catalog. Major SaaS platforms, CRMs, databases, and cloud providers — running, monitored, production-ready. This MCP server is hosted and maintained by the Vinkius Cloud for AI Agents.

> *The agent doesn't manage credentials, doesn't manage uptime, doesn't manage security. Vinkius does.*
>
> — Architecture principle

Four Pillars of the Vinkius Runtime

01 — Security by design

Credentials stay encrypted at rest via AES-256. The AI agent never touches raw keys — they're injected into a sandboxed V8 isolate at runtime. Actions are logged, and connections have an emergency kill switch.

02 — Built on MCP Fusion

This MCP server was built with **MCP Fusion**, the open-source framework (Apache 2.0) that powers the entire Vinkius catalog. Schema-as-firewall strips undeclared fields, compiled PII redaction runs at zero overhead, and cryptographic lockfiles produce git-diffable audit trails.

03 — Deterministic observability

Eight immutable metrics per endpoint: request volume, p95 latency, error rate, active connections, cost attribution. A live payload feed logs every tool call with mutation detection.

04 — Autonomous operations

Servers are deployed, monitored, and patched autonomously. New capabilities and security patches ship weekly. Zero-downtime deployments ensure continuous availability across all managed MCP servers.

AES-256	Ed25519	24h TTL	V8 Isolate
Encryption at rest	PKI vault signatures	Ephemeral session keys	Sandboxed execution

One Token. Instant Access.

Every MCP server on Vinkius is accessed through a **Connection Token**. Tokens are generated in the cloud dashboard and produce a unique MCP endpoint URL. Paste this URL into any MCP-compatible client — no SDK required.

A single token can serve **multiple AI clients simultaneously**, or you can issue separate tokens per client for granular access control. Each token tracks its own request count, last activity timestamp, and can be individually enabled or revoked.

MCP ENDPOINT

```
https://edge.vinkius.com/{token}/mcp
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Security Is the Architecture

Security in Vinkius is not a feature — it's the foundation of the runtime. The gateway enforces multiple independent protection layers between AI agents and third-party APIs.

01 — Ed25519 PKI Vault

Every workspace has an Ed25519 Master Key. Session keys are generated ephemerally (24h TTL) and signed by the Master Key. Credentials never leave the vault boundary.

02 — V8 Isolate Sandboxing

Tool code runs inside isolated-vm V8 isolates with 64 MB memory caps and per-request timeouts. No filesystem access, no network access except through the SSRF-guarded fetch bridge.

03 — SSRF Guard

All outbound HTTP requests are DNS-resolved and validated before execution. Private IP ranges (10.x, 172.16-31.x, 192.168.x, AWS metadata 169.254.x) are blocked at the network layer.

04 — DLP & PII Redaction

A ResponseGuard pipeline intercepts every tool response. Configurable redaction patterns strip sensitive fields (emails, SSNs, card numbers) before data reaches the AI agent.

05 — Cryptographic Audit Trail

Every request is signed into a SHA-256 hash chain with Ed25519 signatures. Events form a tamper-proof, SIEM-exportable forensic record.

06 — Honeytoken Trap System

Phantom credentials are injected into isolated environments. If a honeytoken is used outside Vinkius infrastructure, the server is quarantined instantly.

Emergency Kill Switch

EU AI Act Art. 14(1) Compliant

The kill switch is an **emergency halt** mechanism — not a simple toggle. When triggered, it executes three actions atomically:

01 — Server deactivated

The MCP server is immediately taken offline across the entire cluster.

02 — All tokens revoked

Every connection token is invalidated. Total lockout — reconnection blocked until new tokens are issued.

03 — WebSocket connections killed

Active connections terminated via Redis pubsub broadcast. Propagates to every runtime node in the cluster.

Full Visibility. Zero Guesswork.

The Vinkius cloud dashboard includes a full MCP Governance suite — real-time analytics and security controls for production AI operations.

Control Plane

KPI dashboard with request volume, latency, success rate, token consumption, and AI-generated operational briefings.

Agent Activity

Which AI clients are connecting, how often, and what they're doing — real-time session tracking.

FinOps

Cost tracking per tool, payload compression savings, budget optimization signals, and consumption trends.

Tool Health

Slowest and most error-prone tools, with actionable root-cause insights and performance baselines.

Firewall & DLP

PII redaction activity, sensitive data protection counters, and security event timeline.

Incident Log

Error trends, failure rates, status-code breakdowns, and forensic audit trail access.

> Get started at **cloud.vinkius.com** — connect your AI agent in under 60 seconds.

Harvest MCP

11 tools available
Cloud-hosted on Vinkius

Instead of navigating multiple tabs in a web dashboard and manually exporting spreadsheets, your AI agent handles the whole billing process conversationally. You can ask it to pull up a list of all active clients and then immediately request time logs associated with that group. Need an invoice? Just tell it which client needs billing; it drafts the invoice or updates its status. It manages everything: checking user profiles, updating company details, listing projects, and compiling detailed reports on logged time for your team. This capability makes your agent act like a dedicated operations manager who never forgets a detail. By connecting this MCP through Vinkius, you get access to the entire catalog of professional tools from one place, keeping complex billing workflows entirely within your chat window.

Core Capabilities

01 — List client accounts

The tool retrieves a comprehensive list of every client currently in your Harvest account.

02 — Create new clients

You can add entirely new client records to the system using this function.

03 — Generate invoices

The agent creates a new invoice draft for a specified client, ready for review or sending.

04 — Track and list time entries

It retrieves detailed records of all hours logged against clients and projects by your team.

05 — Retrieve project details

The system pulls up a summary of information for any active or past project.

06 — Review user profiles

This function fetches basic account and profile information about the currently authenticated user.

One Click on Vinkius — From Prompt to Execution

Available at **vinkius.com/mcp/harvest** — connect your AI agent in three steps.

01 Subscribe to this MCP on Vinkius.

02 Enter your Harvest Access Token and Account ID into the connection settings.

03 Start giving commands to your AI client, treating it like a dedicated billing coordinator.

The bottom line is you stop switching contexts. You talk to your agent about time or clients, and it handles the complex data retrieval from Harvest for you.

Built For

This MCP is essential for anyone whose job involves tracking billable hours or managing accounts receivable. It's perfect for the project manager who hates context switching, the small agency owner running billing manually after hours, and operations leaders needing real-time visibility into time compliance.

Project Manager

Needs to pull up a summary of all logged time and associated client details during status calls without opening the Harvest dashboard.

Small Agency Owner

Manages the entire billing cycle, from listing clients to creating draft invoices, all through conversational prompts.

Operations Leader

Automates oversight of time entry compliance and flags upcoming invoice deadlines across multiple departments.

What Changes When You Connect

01 Eliminate manual data fetching. Instead of opening up ten different tabs to gather time logs, client lists, and project summaries, your agent pulls all the necessary data in a single conversation thread using `list_time_entries` or `list_projects`.

02 Streamline billing creation. You can request that the system create an invoice for any client and track its status—all without navigating to the invoicing section of Harvest. Use the `create_invoice` tool when you're ready to bill.

03 Improve client data accuracy. Need to update a company address or name? Instead of logging into the web portal, simply tell your agent; it uses `update_client` to handle the change instantly.

04 Get project status on demand. You can ask for an overview of all active projects and their associated time logs immediately using `list_projects` combined with `list_time_entries`. Perfect for quick check-ins.

05 Never lose track of who you are billing. The agent can retrieve specific client information using `get_client`, ensuring your conversation always has the correct account details in front of you.

Real-World Applications

The End-of-Month Billing Blitz

A small agency owner needs to reconcile time logs for three different clients before sending out invoices. Instead of logging into Harvest, filtering by client, and manually running multiple reports, they prompt their agent: 'List all time entries from the last 30 days.' The agent then compiles the data and prompts: 'Now create a draft invoice for Client X based on those hours,' using `create_invoice`.

The Status Meeting Recap

A project manager needs to quickly confirm the status of every active client during a call. They ask their agent to run through all projects and list associated clients. The agent uses `list_projects` and `list_clients`, giving the PM an instant, comprehensive overview without pulling up any dashboards.

Onboarding a New Account

An operations leader is adding a brand new retainer client. Instead of navigating to the account setup page, they simply tell their agent: 'Add Acme Corp.' The agent uses `create_client`, ensuring the record is immediately available for time tracking and future invoicing.

Auditing Client Records

A finance employee needs to verify a client's current status or check if their details are up-to-date. They ask the agent, 'What are the latest records for Acme Corp?' The agent uses `get_client` to retrieve all necessary detailed information instantly.

Patterns to Avoid

Treating it like a search engine

✗ AVOID

A user tries to manually list out every client name and then separately asks the agent for time entries. This is slow, repetitive, and requires multiple conversational turns.

✓ INSTEAD

Ask your AI agent to perform chained actions. Prompt: 'List all clients and show me their total logged time.' The agent uses `list_clients` and intelligently cross-references that data with `list_time_entries` in one go.

Ignoring the available tools

✗ AVOID

A user gets frustrated trying to manually update a client's details because they only know the name, not the ID. They give up and revert to spreadsheets.

✓ INSTEAD

Always let your agent handle updates. Use `update_client` by giving natural language instructions: 'Update Acme Corp's address.' The MCP handles finding the record and applying the change.

Attempting complex financial logic

✗ AVOID

A user asks, 'How much money did we earn this quarter?' This requires complex calculations (e.g., subtracting expenses from income) that Harvest's core tools don't handle alone.

✓ INSTEAD

Use the MCP to gather raw data first. Get a list of all invoices using `list_invoices`, then pass that structured data into your AI agent for the final calculation.

The Right Fit

Use this Harvest MCP if your primary pain point is context switching when managing billing. If you spend time moving between your chat interface, a spreadsheet, and the Harvest web dashboard, this tool saves you steps by letting your agent execute those actions sequentially in one conversation.

Don't use this if you need to manage non-billing data (e.g., HR payroll records or inventory counts). If your workflow requires integrating with another system entirely outside of time tracking and client management, you need a different MCP connector for that specific service. This is strictly for Harvest functions like `list_clients`, `create_invoice`, and `list_time_entries`.

Billing tasks shouldn't require three browser tabs.

Right now, when you need to know what's owed, the process is a nightmare. You open Harvest to list clients, then switch to your time tracking dashboard to see logged hours, and finally jump over to the invoicing section to check if any drafts are overdue. It's constant copy-pasting between different views just to get one coherent picture.

With this MCP, you simply ask your agent: 'Show me all unbilled time for clients with pending invoices.' The system pulls the client list, cross-references active projects, and flags the necessary time entries—all in a single, conversational reply. You don't click; you just talk.

Harvest MCP: Get project details and manage billing instantly.

The manual steps that vanish include logging into the web portal to confirm a client's name, running a separate report for time entries, and then manually generating an invoice draft using the `create_invoice` tool. These are all siloed actions in different parts of the app.

Now, you manage everything from one place. You tell your agent what you need—be it listing projects or updating client details—and it executes the command instantly. It's a single flow; the process is seamless.

Harvest: 11 Tools for Billing & Clients

These tools allow you to perform every core function of Harvest—from listing clients to creating invoices and tracking time logs—all through natural language prompts.

#	TOOL	DESCRIPTION
01	`delete_client`	Permanently removes a client record from your account.
02	`create_client`	Adds a new client entry into Harvest for tracking purposes.
03	`create_invoice`	Generates and records a brand-new invoice in the system.
04	`get_client`	Retrieves specific, detailed information about one client by name or ID.
05	`get_invoice`	Fetches all necessary details for a single invoice record.
06	`get_my_profile`	Pulls account information about the user who is currently logged in.
07	`list_clients`	Provides a list of every client associated with your Harvest account.
08	`list_invoices`	Shows a history listing of all invoices, including drafts and sent records.
09	`list_projects`	Retrieves a list of every active or closed project in the system.
10	`list_time_entries`	Gathers all recorded time entries, allowing you to check team productivity.
11	`update_client`	Modifies existing details, like the name, for a client record.

See It in Action

Real prompts you can use once this MCP is connected to your AI agent through Vinkius Cloud.

U List all time entries from last week.

I've retrieved your time entries. Last week, your team logged a total of 120 hours across 5 projects. The most active project was 'Cloud Migration' with 45 hours. Would you like a detailed breakdown by user?

U Create a new client named 'Acme Corp'.

Client created! I've successfully added 'Acme Corp' (ID: 8821) to your Harvest account. Should I associate a new project with this client now?

U Show me all active projects.

Accessing projects... You have 4 active projects: 'Website Redesign', 'Mobile App Support', 'Internal Ops', and 'Q2 Marketing'. Which one would you like to see time summaries for?

Frequently Asked Questions

01 **Can Harvest MCP help me list all my clients?**

Yes, you can use `list_clients` to pull up every client record in your account. This lets you review who needs billing or who requires a profile update.

02 **How do I create an invoice using the Harvest MCP?**

To generate an invoice, simply ask your agent to use the `create_invoice` tool. You'll need to specify which client the new bill should be for and if it’s a draft or final status.

03 **Does Harvest MCP help with time tracking? What tools are available?**

Yes, you can view all tracked hours using `list_time_entries`. You can also see which projects are active by calling `list_projects` to provide context for your billing.

04 **What if I need to change a client's details?**

You use the `update_client` tool. Just tell your agent what needs changing (e.g., 'Update Acme Corp's phone number') and it handles the modification.

05 **Is Harvest MCP only for new clients?**

No, it manages the full lifecycle. You can retrieve details on existing accounts using `get_client`, as well as create brand-new ones with `create_client`.

Go Live in 60 Seconds

Get your connection token from **cloud.vinkius.com**, then paste the endpoint URL into any MCP-compatible client.

YOUR MCP ENDPOINT

```
https://edge.vinkius.com/[TOKEN]/mcp
```

CLIENT	WHERE TO CONFIGURE
Claude AI	Profile → Customize → Connectors → "+" → Add custom connector → Paste endpoint
Cursor	Settings → Features → MCP Servers → "+ Add New MCP Server" → Type: SSE → Paste endpoint
VS Code	Ctrl/Cmd+Shift+P → "MCP: Add Server" → add `"harvest": { "url": "…" }`
Windsurf	MCP Settings → `mcp_settings.json` → Add endpoint URL
ChatGPT	Settings → Tools & plugins → Add MCP server → Paste endpoint
Gemini	Extensions → Add MCP Server → Paste endpoint URL

ASK AN AI ABOUT THIS

Let your preferred AI explain this MCP server

- Ask ChatGPT
- Ask Claude
- Ask Perplexity
- Ask Gemini
- Ask Grok

READY TO CONNECT

Harvest is live on Vinkius Cloud.

Get your connection token, paste it into your AI agent, and start building. No SDK. No deployment. Just results.

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