

MCP SERVER

NO CODE

CLOUD HOSTED

Pixabay API MCP

Audit stock media assets conversationally.

Pixabay API provides an AI connection to millions of high-quality, royalty-free stock photos and videos. Your agent can search for specific media by keyword or tag, retrieve full metadata sets, filter results by orientation, and get direct download links—all without you ever leaving your chat window. It turns massive visual libraries into simple, conversational data streams.

A+ Quality Score 100/100

stock-media

royalty-free

image-search

video-assets

media-metadata

asset-auditing



The connectivity layer between AI and the world's software.



Vinkius sits between AI and every application. All communication passes through Vinkius Cloud via the Model Context Protocol (MCP) — with governance, observability, and security at every layer.

Your AI Connections Run Through Vinkius Cloud

The world's largest
managed MCP catalog

Vinkius is the connectivity layer where AI connects 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.

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.

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.

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

Encryption at rest

Ed25519

PKI vault signatures

24h TTL

Ephemeral session keys

V8 Isolate

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`

Claude



Cursor



VS Code



Windsurf



Grok



Gemini

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.

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.

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.

06 — Honeypot Trap System

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

Emergency Kill Switch

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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.

FinOps

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

Firewall & DLP

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

Agent Activity

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

Tool Health

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

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.

Pixabay API MCP

3 tools available

Cloud-hosted on Vinkius

You're used to spending hours clicking through photo portals just to find the right asset. This MCP changes that. Instead of manual searches, you talk to your agent and it handles the entire media discovery process using Pixabay's vast catalog. It instantly finds thousands of images and video clips based on complex criteria—like finding only horizontal illustrations tagged 'cyberpunk' or retrieving all metadata for a specific user. Your agent acts like an always-on visual research assistant, pulling not just pretty pictures but the raw data behind them: tags, types, and direct links. Since Vinkius hosts this MCP, you connect once to get access to this powerful media intelligence tool alongside thousands of others. You can audit entire creative campaigns, ensuring every piece of media is properly licensed and visually stunning before a single designer even opens Photoshop.

Core Capabilities

01 — Search for Visual Assets

It searches the Pixabay library for specific images or videos based on keywords.

02 — Audit Media Metadata

You retrieve detailed information about assets, including tags and user ownership data.

03 — Filter by Type and Orientation

The MCP narrows results to specific formats like vector illustrations or only horizontal videos.

04 — Check Service Status

It confirms that the Pixabay service is currently operational, preventing workflow interruptions.

One Click on Vinkius — From Prompt to Execution

Available at vinkius.com/mcp/pixabay-api — connect your AI agent in three steps.

- 01 Subscribe to this MCP and input your personal Pixabay API Key into your preferred AI client.
- 02 Ask your agent a specific question, such as 'Find me three high-resolution video clips about nature.'
- 03 Your agent uses the tool to pull back multiple results, giving you direct links and full metadata for the assets.

The bottom line is that it lets you treat massive visual libraries like a structured database query.

Built For

Content creators who struggle with asset sourcing, marketing managers needing to audit campaign visuals quickly, and web developers who need placeholder media data fast. If your job involves finding or classifying existing images or videos, you need this.

Digital Marketing Manager

They use it to verify if enough licensed visual assets exist for a new campaign before the creative team starts work.

UX/UI Designer

They ask the agent to find placeholder images or illustrations in specific orientations needed for mockups, eliminating manual web searching.

Content Strategist

They audit visual trends and collect detailed metadata on themes like 'remote work' or 'sustainability' across multiple assets.

What Changes When You Connect

- 01 Stop manually browsing photo sites. The agent handles searches for both images and videos, delivering direct links and metadata immediately.

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- 02 You get more than just pictures; you retrieve full data packages including tags and user information, which is critical for content auditing.

 - 03 The ability to filter results by type (illustration, photo) or orientation means your search is precise. You don't waste time looking at irrelevant crops.

 - 04 Need peace of mind? Run a status check first. The tool ensures the connection is operational before you start a major research task.

 - 05 Whether building marketing collateral or conducting visual research, the agent acts as a real-time consultant, keeping your media flow organized and licensed.
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Real-World Applications

Auditing a Campaign's Visual Needs

A marketing manager needs to know if their Q4 campaign has enough assets showing 'urban life at night.' They tell the agent, which runs the `search_pixabay_images` tool. The agent returns not only previews but also counts and tags for asset availability across various formats.

Researching Video Trends

A content strategist wants to compare visual themes across different media types. They use the `search_pixabay_videos` tool to pull clips on 'global travel,' getting unique video IDs and metadata for later deep-dive analysis.

Filling a UI Mockup

A developer needs placeholder media for a landing page mockup. They ask the agent to find 'minimalist office' images, filtered specifically for horizontal orientation. The agent quickly provides multiple options and their direct download links.

Checking Asset Compliance

A project lead needs to confirm that all necessary media types are available before launch. They ask the agent to run a status check, ensuring both image and video search tools are ready to go for comprehensive audits.

Patterns to Avoid

Treating it like general Google Search

✗ AVOID

Trying to find media by typing vague descriptions into a simple chat prompt without specifying the source or format.

✓ INSTEAD

Always use the agent's structured tools. Specify 'search_pixabay_images' for photos, and always mention your desired type or orientation when asking for results.

Assuming it handles licensing

✗ AVOID

Thinking that just because an asset is found, it means you can use it anywhere without checking the rights.

✓ INSTEAD

The tool provides metadata and links to royalty-free sources, but always confirm usage terms. The agent helps with discovery; human review confirms compliance.

Listing assets one by one

✗ AVOID

Asking for 'a picture of a cat' then another prompt asking for 'a dog.' This wastes time and misses related data.

✓ INSTEAD

Group your needs. Ask the agent to search for 'domestic pets,' allowing it to run a single, comprehensive query that captures both cats and dogs at once.

The Right Fit

Use this MCP if your primary bottleneck is finding, classifying, or auditing vast amounts of visual media data. You need an AI agent to act as a front-end for high-volume stock libraries, moving beyond simple keyword searches into structured metadata querying and filtering by asset type (photo vs. illustration) and orientation.

Don't use it if you are trying to generate brand new, unique art or highly specific conceptual images that don't exist in public libraries. For creation, you need a generative AI model. This MCP is purely for *discovery* and *data extraction*. If your task is simple text messaging, then connect to a dedicated messaging service instead.

Finding the right visual asset used to take hours of clicking through tabs.

Today, finding assets for a campaign means opening dozens of photo portals. You search by keyword, then you click filters: 'illustration,' 'vector,' 'horizontal.' If that fails, you try another site and repeat the whole process. It's a tedious loop of clicking through results and copying down links until you feel like you have enough.

With this MCP, your agent handles all those clicks for you. You just ask it to find assets—say, 'horizontal vector illustrations about finance.' The agent executes the search across Pixabay, pulls back not only previews but also the clean data packet of tags and direct links. Your workflow moves from manual searching to a single conversation.

Search media assets with the Pixabay API MCP.

The need to manually check if an asset is available in multiple formats or orientations disappears. Instead of opening three different tabs—one for images, one for videos, and one just for metadata—you ask your agent once. It handles the `search_pixabay_images` tool, the `search_pixabay_videos` tool, and compiles all the necessary data into a single response.

The difference is that you stop being an asset scavenger and start being a director. You direct the AI to find exactly what you need, structured and ready for use.

Pixabay API MCP with 3 Tools

These tools let you systematically manage and retrieve visual assets from Pixabay's massive library using your AI client.

#	TOOL	DESCRIPTION
01	<code>check_api_status</code>	Confirms if the Pixabay service is online and ready for use.
02	<code>search_pixabay_images</code>	Searches the library to find free, high-quality images based on your keywords.
03	<code>search_pixabay_videos</code>	Finds and retrieves free, high-quality video clips using specific search terms.

See It in Action

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

U Search for high-quality images of 'sunset over mountains' using Pixabay.



I've retrieved several stunning images of sunsets! Notable previews include mountain landscapes with vibrant colors. I can provide the direct links to the high-resolution files if you'd like.

U Find illustrations of 'robot working' in 'horizontal' orientation.



I've identified several horizontal illustrations of robots! They are categorized as 'illustration' type and match your search criteria. I can assist you with the user metadata and tags for each image.

U Search for free videos about 'nature' on Pixabay.



I've retrieved several nature videos from the Pixabay catalog! They feature landscapes and wildlife with various durations. I can provide the unique video IDs and direct links to assist in your project.

Frequently Asked Questions

01 How does the Pixabay API MCP work with my existing content workflow?

Your agent uses this MCP as a dedicated tool. You simply tell it to search for media, and the agent executes the necessary queries against Pixabay's catalog directly from your chat interface.

02 Can I use the `search_pixabay_images` tool for videos too?

No. Use `'search_pixabay_images'` specifically when you need photos, and use `'search_pixabay_videos'` whenever your project requires video clips.

03 What happens if the Pixabay API is down?

You can run the `check_api_status` tool. If it reports an issue, you know to pause asset requests until the service comes back online.

04 Is this MCP for commercial use only?

It connects to Pixabay's royalty-free library, which means the assets are cleared for general creative and marketing purposes. Always confirm specific license terms within your project guidelines.

05 Does the `search_pixabay_images` tool provide direct download links?







Yes, it retrieves direct links along with metadata and high-quality web previews, so you don't have to navigate back to the source site.

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

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https://edge.vinkius.com/[TOKEN]/mcp
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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 <code>"pixabay-api": { "url": "..."</code>
 Windsurf	MCP Settings → <code>mcp_settings.json</code> → 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

Pixabay API 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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