

Jarvix OS User Guide

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First-time Jarvix users

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About this guide

Written for first-time Jarvix users: follow “Quick start” to install and complete first-run setup, then consult the feature chapters as needed.

Screenshots were taken on macOS. What you see may differ depending on your device and Jarvix version.

Meet Jarvis

1.1 What Jarvis is

Jarvis is a **local-first Context OS** with voice as a primary way in. It carries the AI context you choose to share, helps you see how it connects and changes, and — once you approve — moves the next step forward.

Jarvis in context

When you work with local AI agents such as Codex, Claude Code, Gemini, Hermes or OpenClaw, project background, goals and earlier decisions end up scattered across tools and sessions.

As your personal context operating system, Jarvis stores and connects the authorized local agent transcripts and turns that scattered material into context you can keep using. When you switch tools, start a new session or hand work across agents, the thread continues — you don't have to explain everything again.

When a task needs several agents, Jarvis can act as the host agent: dividing the work, coordinating handoffs and consolidating the results.

Tip Think of Jarvis as a shared context layer for several AI agents.

1.2 What Jarvis is not

To avoid confusion, Jarvis is none of the following:

- Not a chatbot, and not a standalone AI agent meant to replace your tools — it works alongside the agents you already use.
- Not a note-taking app, and not a static knowledge graph.
- Not a task manager you maintain by hand — Next Move only proposes a step when the evidence supports it.
- It never acts without your knowledge; when action is needed, it waits for your approval.

1.3 The six core features

Jarvis is built from six connected features. Later chapters cover each one in detail.

Feature	What it does
Jarvix Home	Brings context themes, connected sources and task status together in one view.
Self Reflection	Shows patterns and shifts in how you work with AI, grounded in data rather than fixed labels.
Jarvix Search	Finds indexed history back through plain-language description.
Jarvix Radio	Recommends YouTube videos from your evolving interests, and explains why.
Next Move	Proposes a next task when evidence is sufficient; you decide to run or skip it.
Swarm	Coordinates several selected agents that share context toward one goal.

Quick start (about 10 minutes)

This chapter walks you through installation, first-run setup and one conversation grounded in your own context.

2.1 Before you start

- A Mac running macOS 14 or later.
- For Windows, join the waitlist at jarvix.live.
- At least one supported AI agent installed and in use locally — for example Codex, Claude Code, Gemini, Hermes or OpenClaw.

Note Jarvix supports only officially confirmed agents and data sources; the in-app list is authoritative.

2.2 Download and install

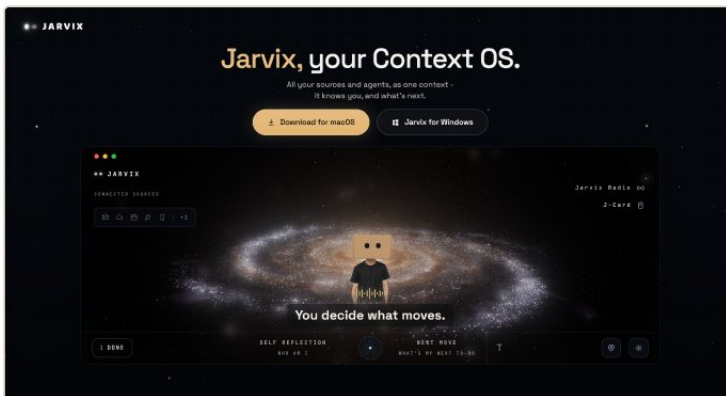


Fig. 1 Downloading and installing Jarvix

1. Open a browser and go to jarvix.live.
2. On the home page choose **Download for macOS**, or **Jarvix for Windows** (Windows users currently join a waitlist), and download the installer.
3. Follow the system prompts to install, then launch Jarvix.

2.3 First-run setup

The first time you launch Jarvix, complete the following steps.

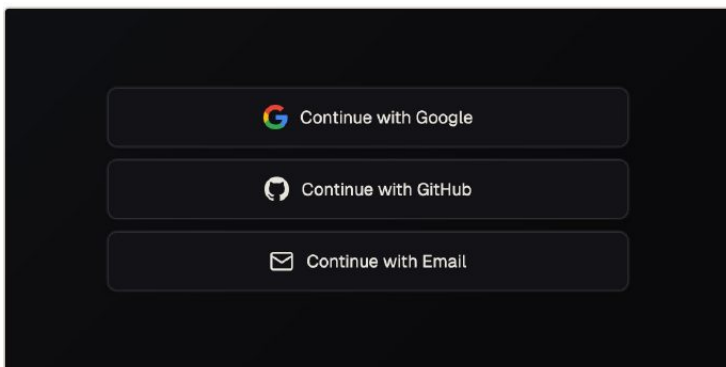


Fig. 2 Step 1 — Sign in

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Sign in to Jarvix

Choose one method: Google account, GitHub account or email.

Follow the on-screen prompts, then continue to the next step.



Fig. 3 Step 2 — Choose your language

STEP 2**Choose your language**

Pick the interface and conversation language — English or Chinese are available today. You can change it later in Preferences.



Fig. 4 Step 3 — Choose the assistant voice

STEP 3**Choose the assistant voice**

Choose the voice Jarvis uses with you: Jarvis is the male voice, Jarvia the female voice. You can switch later in Preferences.

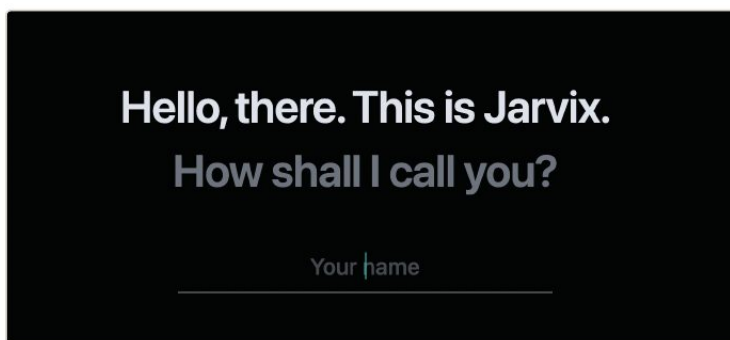


Fig. 5 Step 4 — Set your name

STEP 4**Set your name**

Enter what you want Jarvis to call you. It is used in later conversations and can be changed in Preferences.

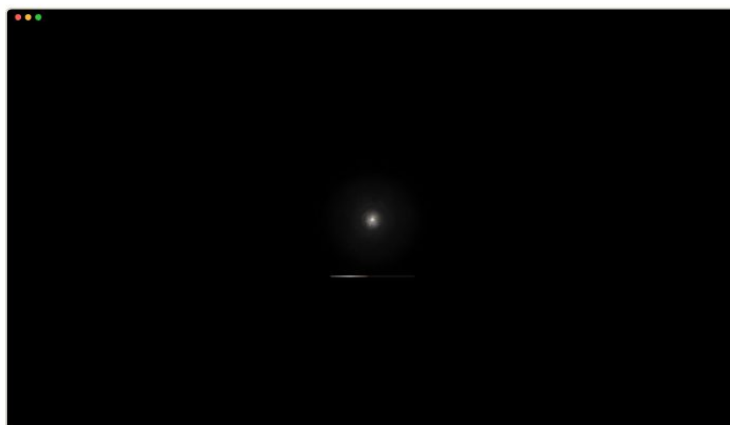


Fig. 6 Step 5 — Wait for initialization

STEP 5**Wait for initialization**

After the basics are set, Jarvis initializes its local runtime. Keep the app open and let it move on by itself.



Fig. 7 Step 6 — Collect and organize AI context

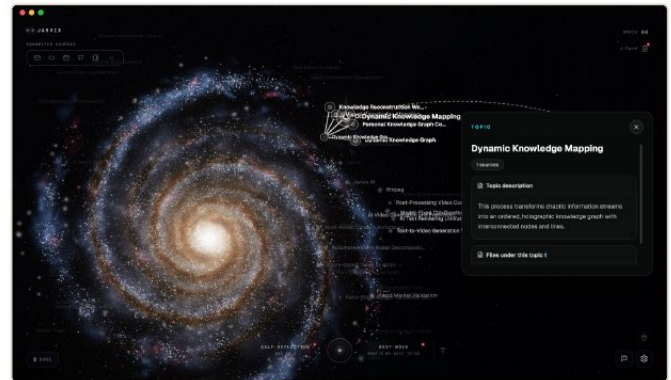
STEP 6**Collect and organize AI context**

Jarvix reads supported local AI agent transcripts, identifies the themes and relationships in them, and organizes the scattered context into a Context Map.

How long this takes depends on how many local transcripts you have. Afterwards you can browse and keep using existing work context from the Context Map.

STEP 7**Open the Context Map**

The map shows how your themes are distributed; zoom and pan to explore. Open a theme's detail panel to see its name and summary, how many sources it draws on, and which files belong to it. Close the panel from the top right to return to the full Context Map.



Figs. 8–9 Step 7 — Opening the Context Map

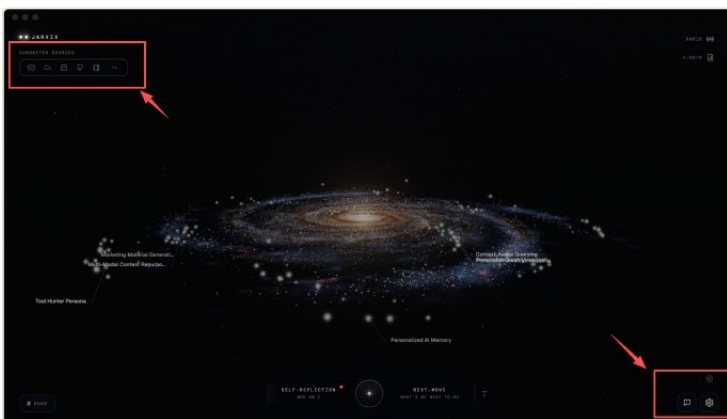
2.4 Basic settings

Fig. 10 Basic settings overview

Note

Changing permissions, models, the runtime or underlying capabilities can change how Jarvix carries out tasks. When in doubt, keep the defaults.

Connected sources

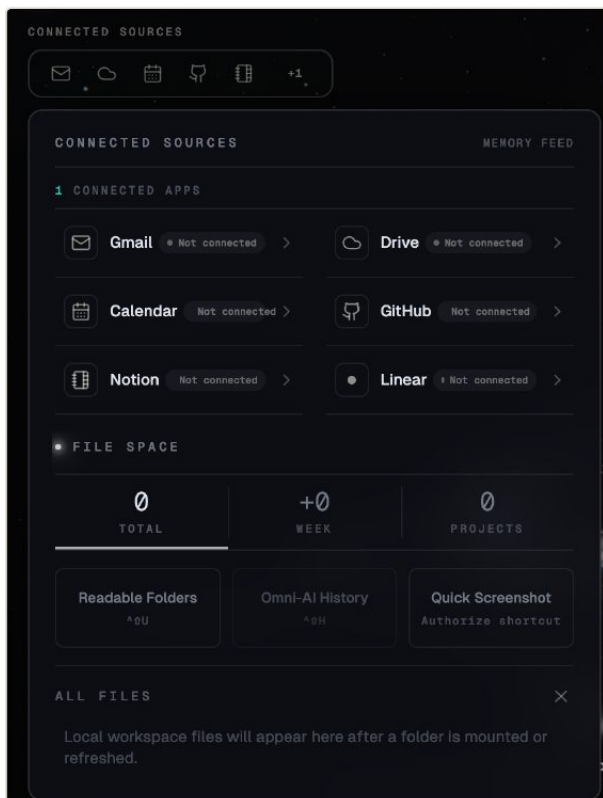


Fig. 11 Connected sources

Connected sources gathers everything Jarvis can currently reach — connected apps and authorized local files. Here you can:

- Review and manage connected apps.
- Browse the local files Jarvis has indexed.

Jarvis reads only what you have connected or authorized. On first use, connect the apps you need and grant access to the relevant local files.

Settings

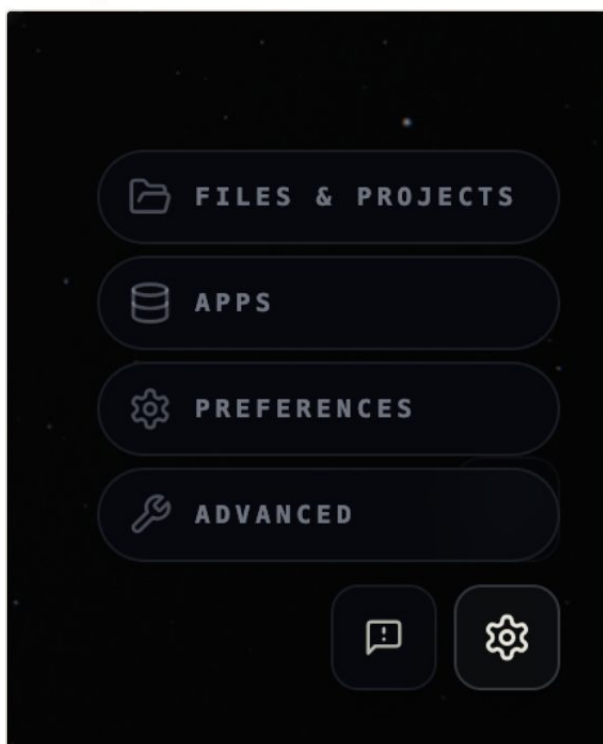


Fig. 12 Settings

Click the settings icon in the lower right to open the settings menu. It contains four entries: Files & Projects, Apps, Preferences and Advanced.

Files & Projects

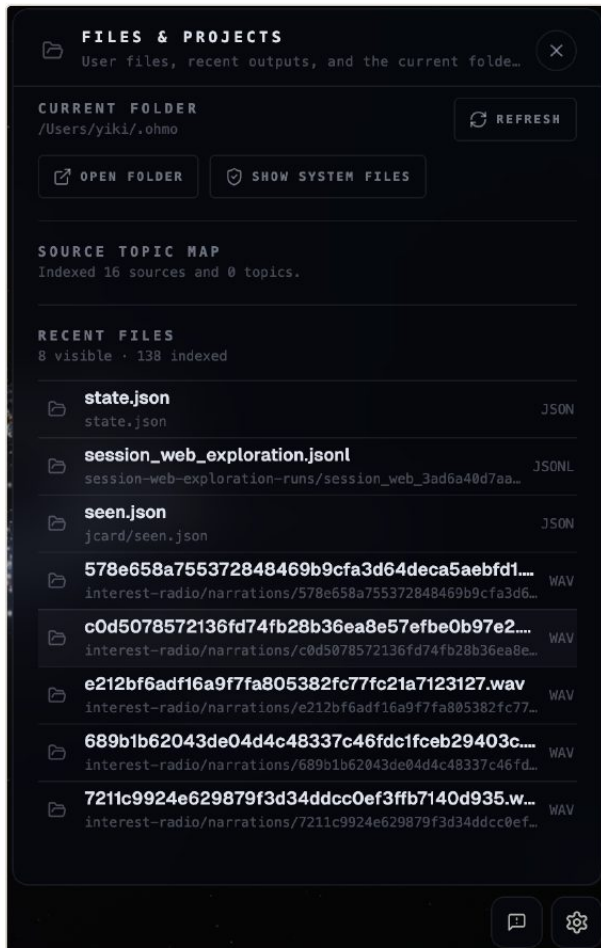


Fig. 13 Files & Projects

- Open the current folder in Finder.
- Show system files inside the folder.
- Refresh the folder and its file index state.
- Check how many items the Source topic map has indexed.
- Browse recent files and where they are stored.

To let Jarvix use new local material, grant access to the relevant folder first.

Apps

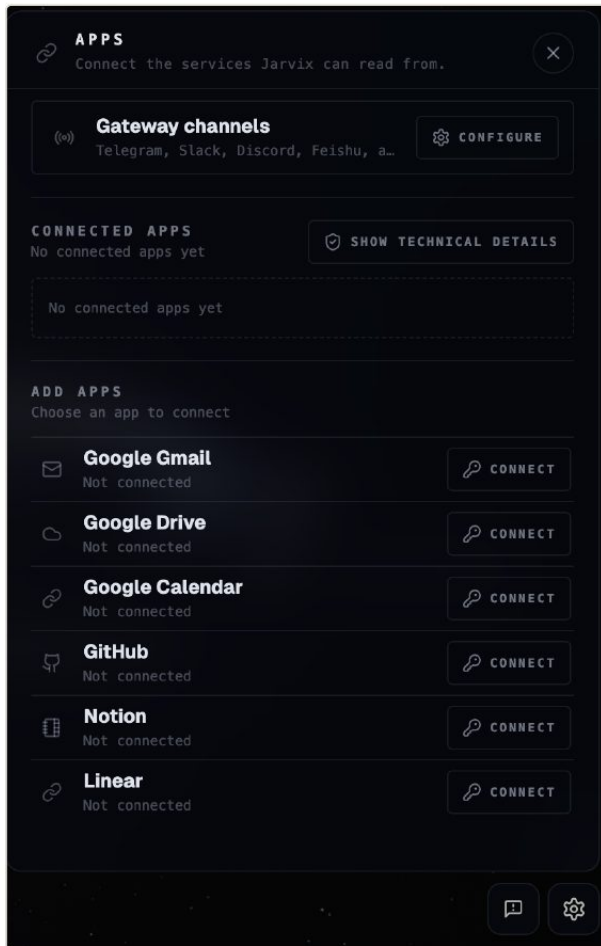


Fig. 14 Apps

Apps is where you connect the external services Jarvix may read, and manage existing connections. On this page you can:

- Configure gateway channels such as Telegram, Slack, Discord and Lark.
- Review connected apps and their current status.
- Connect supported apps: Google Gmail, Google Drive, Google Calendar, GitHub, Notion and Linear.
- Check technical details about each connection.

Follow the prompts to sign in and authorize. Once connected, Jarvix reads and uses that material only within the scope you granted.

Preferences · Personal & interface

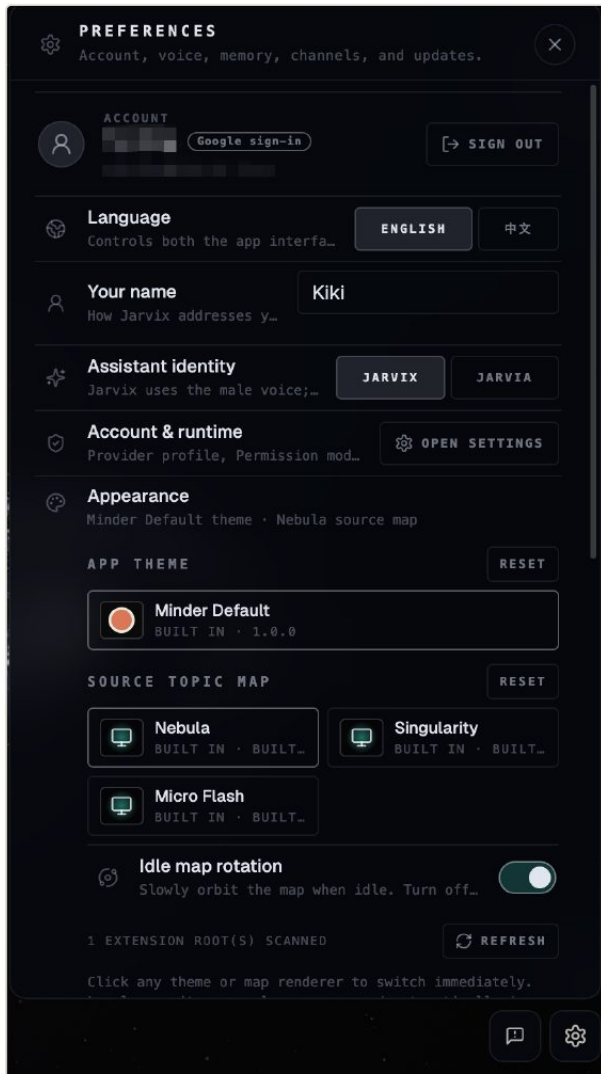
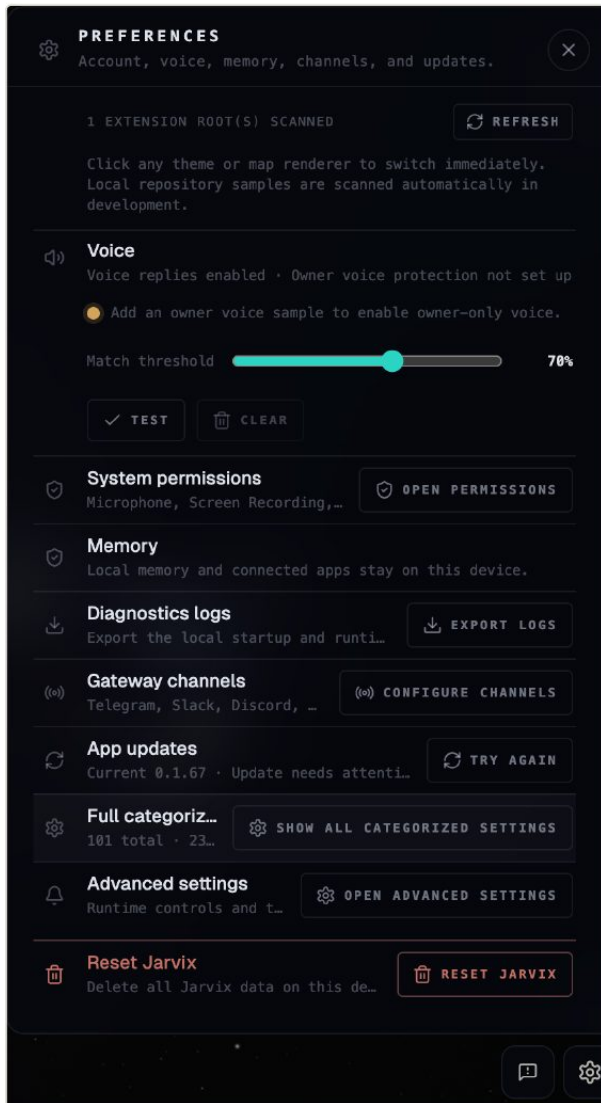


Fig. 15 Preferences · Personal & interface

- **Language** — interface and conversation language.
- **Your name** — what Jarvix calls you.
- **Assistant identity** — the assistant's name and persona.
- **Account & runtime** — model services, permission mode, authentication and local API keys.
- **Appearance** — app theme and Context Map style.
- **Voice** — spoken replies, owner voiceprint and matching.
- **System permissions** — microphone, screen recording, accessibility and full disk access.

Preferences · Permissions & maintenance



- **Memory** — how local memory and connected app data are stored.
- **Diagnostic logs** — export startup and runtime logs for troubleshooting.
- **Gateway channels** — configure Telegram, Slack, Discord, Lark and others.
- **App updates** — check the current version and look for updates.
- **Full category list** — review and manage feature-category visibility.
- **Advanced settings** — open the model, permission and capability pages.
- **Reset Jarvix** — clear Jarvix data on this machine and sign out.

Note Resetting clears the Jarvix data stored locally. Make sure anything you need is saved elsewhere first.

Fig. 16 Preferences · Permissions & maintenance

Advanced · Runtime control

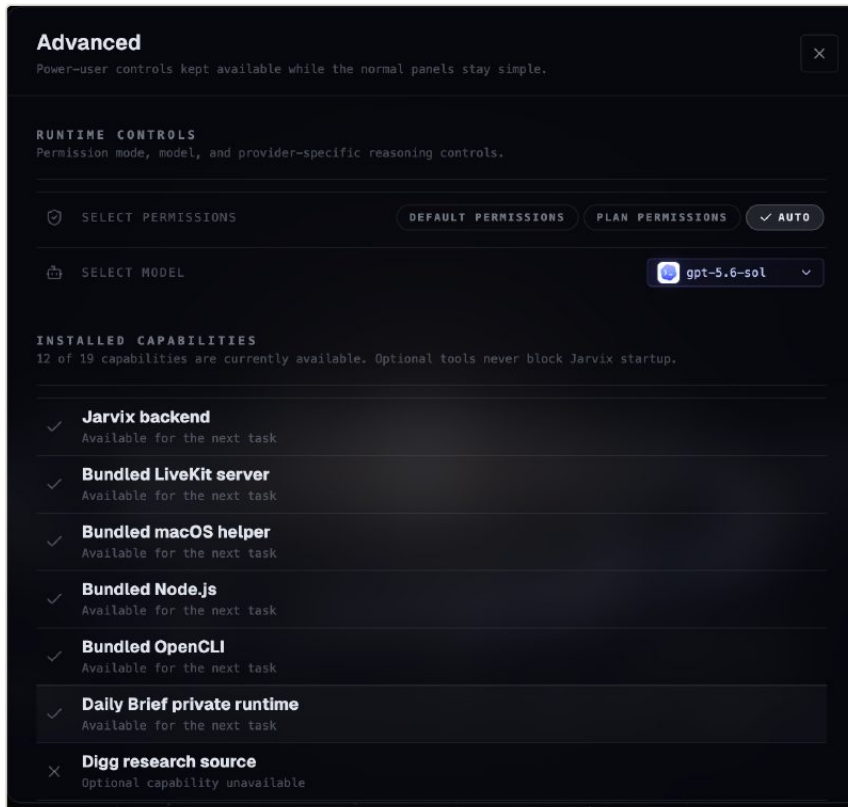


Fig. 17 Advanced · Runtime control

This page decides the permissions, thinking mode and model Jarvis uses. Day to day you rarely need to change it; come here to switch models, adjust task permissions or check capability status.

- **Permissions** — switch between Default, Planned and Auto. The mode changes how Jarvis asks for authorization while working.
- **Thinking mode** — Thinking suits analysis, planning and multi-step work; Instant suits simple tasks where speed matters.
- **Model** — pick from the models currently available, which depends on your configured model services and runtime.

Advanced · Installed capabilities

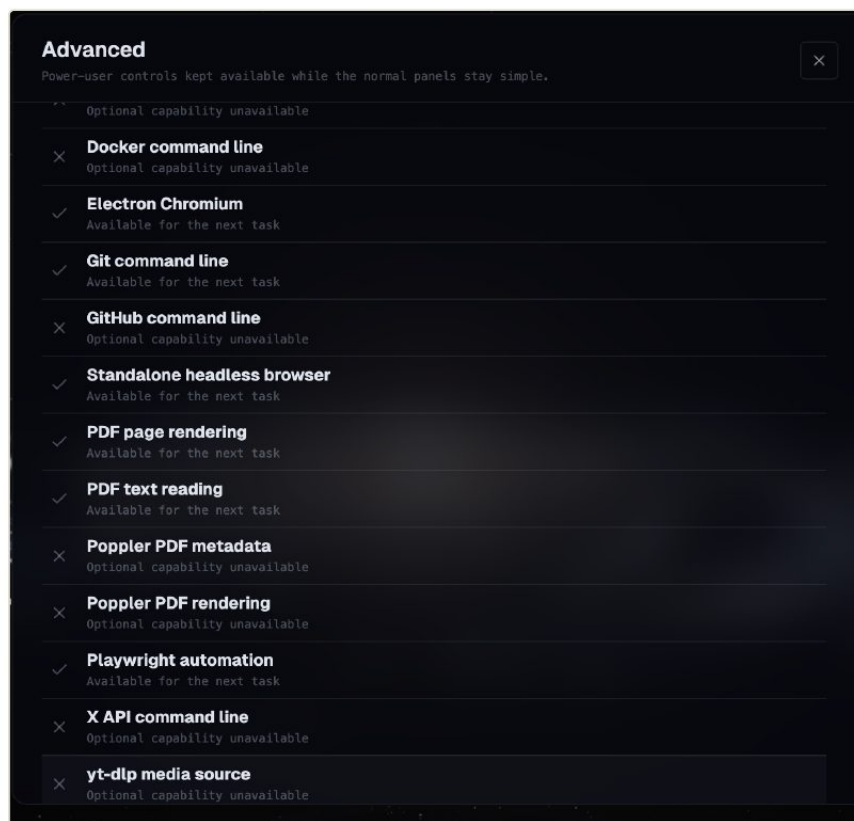


Fig. 18 Advanced · Installed capabilities

Use this page to check whether the components and tools Jarvix needs are available. The header shows how many capabilities are ready; each row is marked with its state:

- **✓ Available** — installed correctly and usable in later tasks.
- **✗ Unavailable** — not installed, not fully configured, or unsupported in the current runtime.
- **Optional capability unavailable** — Jarvix still starts normally, but related tasks may not run.

Capabilities checked include the Jarvix backend, bundled LiveKit service, bundled macOS native helper, bundled Node.js, bundled OpenCLI, browser automation, the Git CLI and PDF tooling. The actual list depends on your device and Jarvix version.

Advanced · Full category settings

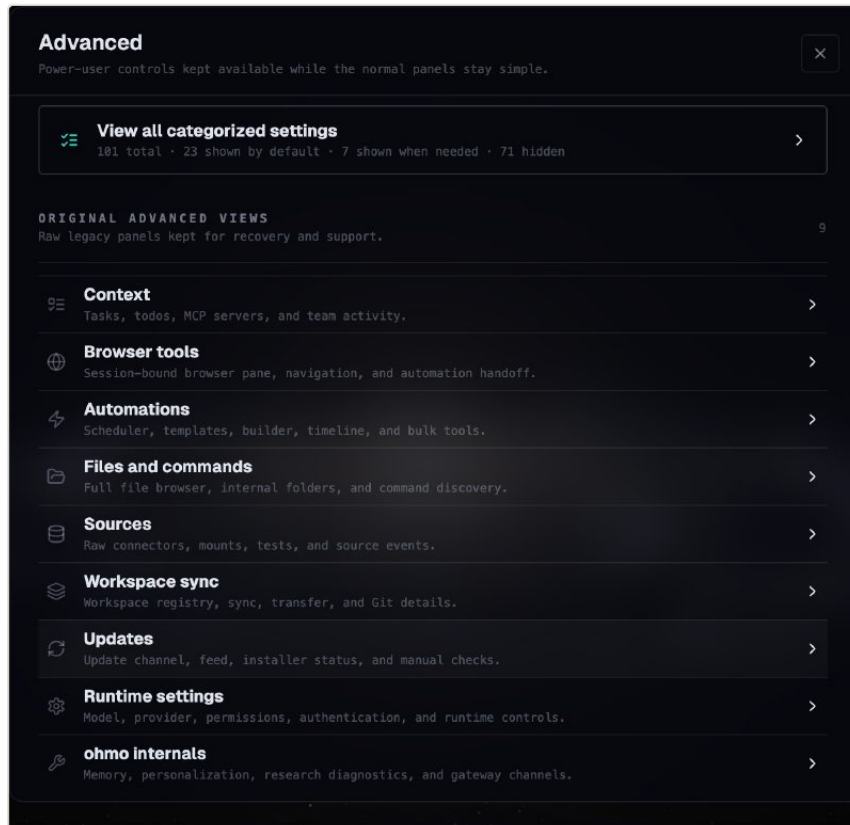


Fig. 19 Advanced · Full category settings

Here you can see every advanced feature category and its visibility, usually one of Shown by default, Shown when needed, or Hidden. The main categories are:

- **Context** — tasks, to-dos, MCP servers and team activity.
- **Browser tools** — browser panel, page navigation and automation handoff.
- **Automation** — scheduler, templates, builder, timeline and batch tools.
- **Files & commands** — file browsing, internal folders and command discovery.
- **Data sources** — connectors, mounts, tests and source events.
- **Workspace sync** — workspace registration, sync, transfer and Git information.
- **Updates** — update channels, sources, install state and manual checks.
- **Runtime settings** — models, providers, permissions, authentication and runtime control.
- **ohmo internals** — memory, personalization, research diagnostics and gateway channels.

2.5 Your first session

On first launch, onboarding walks you through signing in, choosing a language, setting your name and picking the assistant voice.

Once the basics are set, Jarvix reads the supported local AI agent transcripts, identifies themes, projects and relationships, and gradually organizes them into your Context Map. You can watch it happen on screen, which shows how Jarvix builds its first understanding of your work. When the

map is ready, Jarvis opens the main view and introduces the main entries. After the tour, start from the Context Map to see what Jarvis made of your history, then try conversation, Self Reflection and Next Move.

See how Jarvis organized your context

Browse the Context Map on the main screen to see the themes Jarvis identified and how they relate. Click any theme node to read its summary, linked sources and related files — enough to judge whether the picture of your past work is accurate.

Start your first conversation

Click the orb at the bottom centre to speak, or the “T” button to open the text panel. Ask something that only makes sense with your own context, for example:

- “What did I do this week across my connected AI tools?”
- “What did I say I'd do this week but haven't started?”
- “Am I missing anything that needs handling?”

Try Self Reflection and Next Move

Click **Self Reflection** at the bottom of the main view and Jarvis, working from organized context, helps you look back at recent themes, your working state and related threads — and shows what it currently understands about you.

Click **Next Move** and Jarvis reviews open items and proposes a next step. Keep asking: “Why this first?” “Which context is this based on?” “Break the next step down further.”

You're done when · Jarvis answers from organized context and shows the relevant sources where applicable.

Tip · The point of the first session is to confirm one thing: without re-explaining the background, Jarvis still understands what you are working on and helps you review, spot gaps and decide what's next.

Feature guide

3.1 Jarvis Home: your context at a glance

Jarvis Home is the default page and the single way into every feature. It draws your context as a galaxy: each cluster is a line of work Jarvis has inferred — for example Work Context Consolidation or AI Agent Development — and more active themes sit closer to the core.

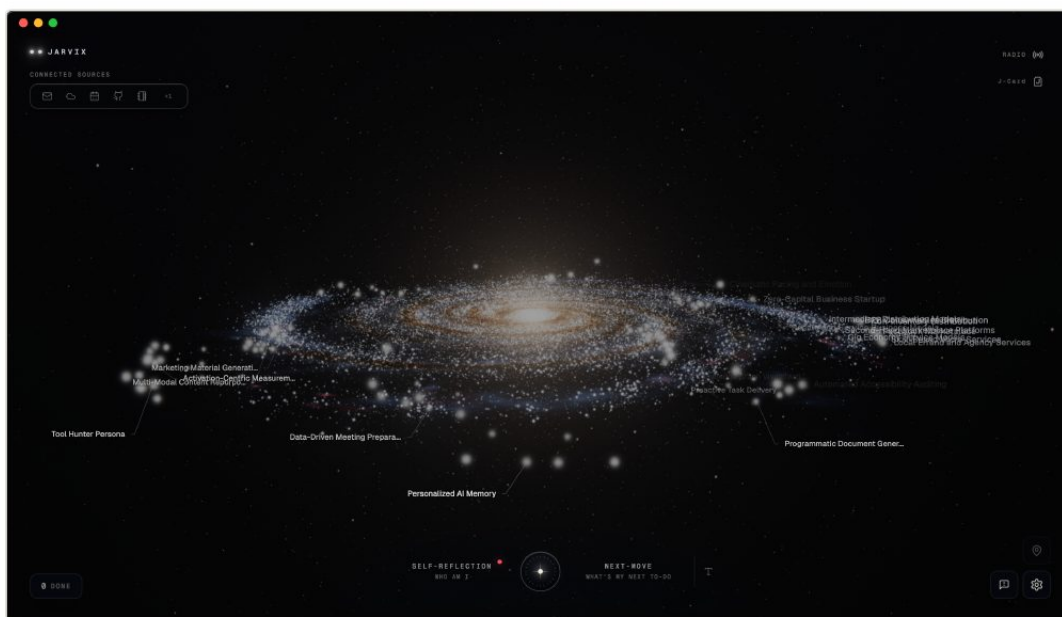


Fig. 20 Jarvis Home: your context at a glance

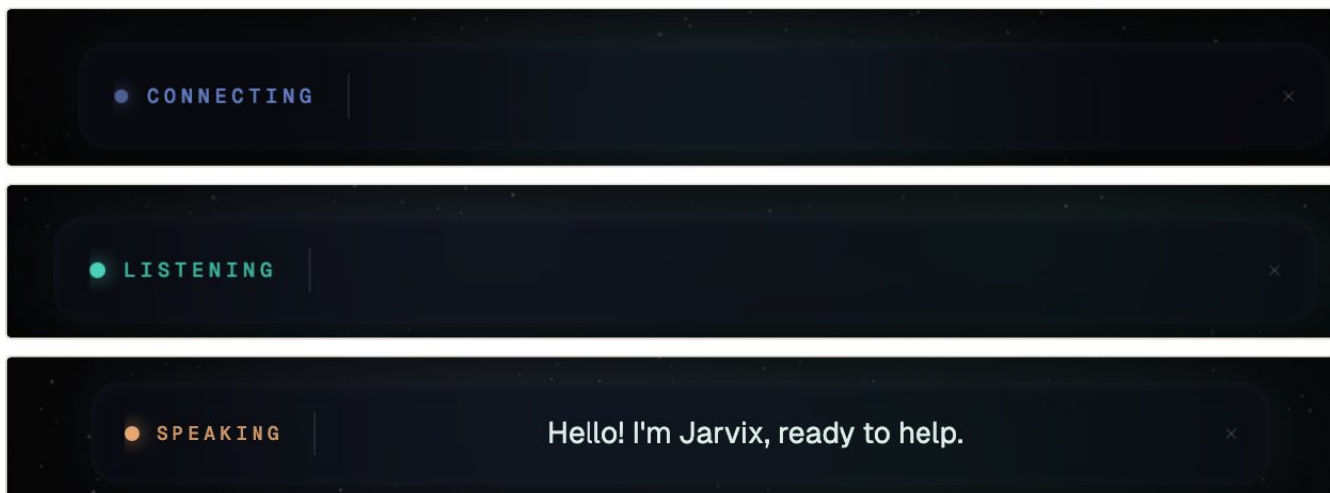
Position	Element	Purpose
Top left	Linked sources	Review and connect mail, calendar, GitHub and other sources
Top right	Radio	Browse personalized video
Top right	J-Card	Generate an AI working-profile card
Centre	Galaxy map	Explore context themes and their relationships
Bottom left	Task board	See DONE and RUNNING tasks
Bottom	Self Reflection	Review your working patterns and how they shift
Bottom centre	Orb	Start a voice conversation
Bottom	Next Move	Get next-step suggestion cards
Bottom	T button	Open the text panel and the Swarm (Agent Team Mode) entry
Bottom right	Feedback / Settings	Send feedback or adjust app settings

3.2 Voice: using Jarvis by speaking

Anything you can type, you can say. Click the orb at the bottom centre of Home, or the microphone in the text panel. The status bar at the bottom of the screen shows connecting, listening or speaking.



Fig. 21 Voice entry point: the orb at the bottom centre



Figs. 22–24 Voice status bar: connecting / listening / speaking

Questions worth trying

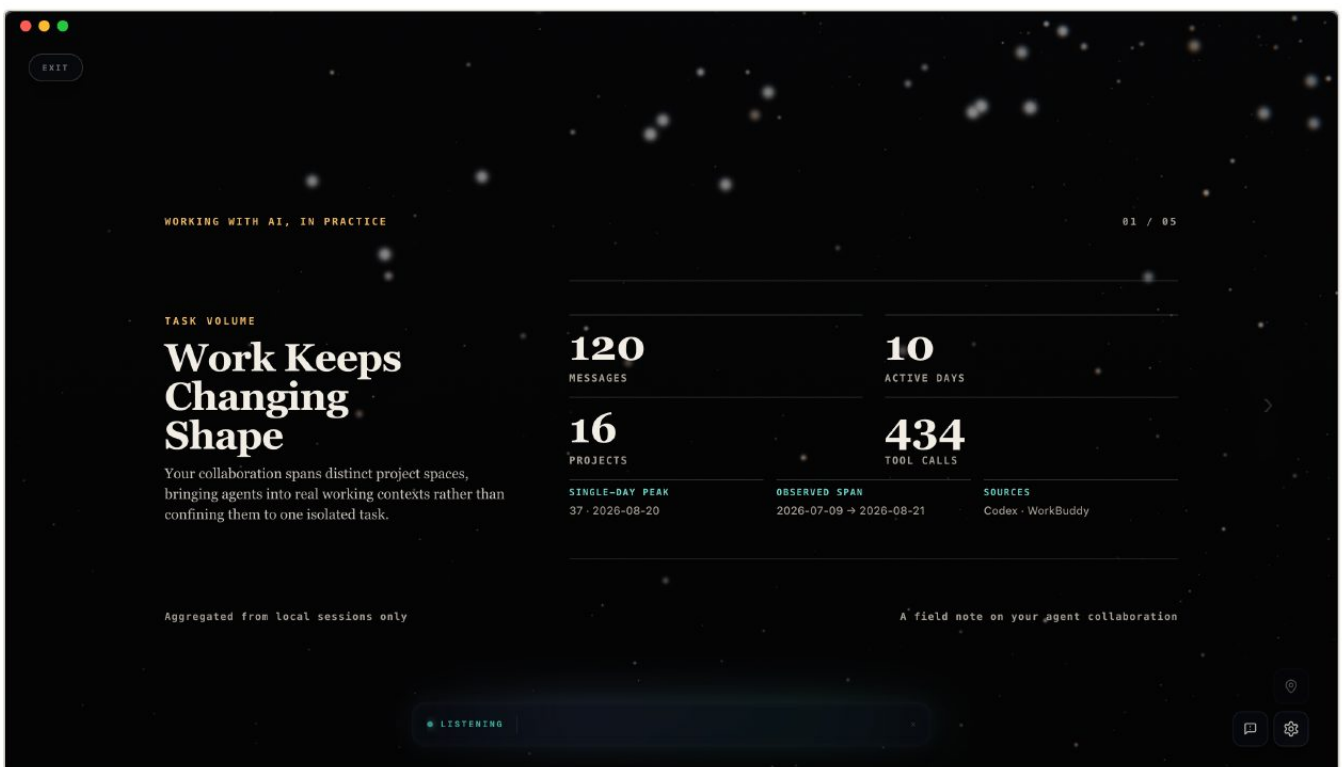
Example phrasings by scenario — useful on your first day.

Scenario	Example
Cross-tool review	"What did I do this week across all my AI tools?"
Long-term memory	"What was the first thing I wrote about this project?"
Synthesis	"Tie my recent mail, meetings and Codex sessions together — what's the big picture?"
Self-insight	"What have I been thinking about repeatedly lately?"
Pattern spotting	"What patterns do you see in how I work?"
Blind spots	"What should I have noticed by now but haven't?"
Prioritization	"Given everything you know, what should I do first today?"
Next step	"What's the most useful thing I could do next?"
Task discovery	"What should become an actionable task?"
Meeting prep	"I have a meeting in ten minutes — what do I need to remember?"
Project diagnosis	"Why is this project moving so slowly?"
Action planning	"Turn everything we discussed into a clear action plan."

3.3 Self Reflection: understanding how you work

Self Reflection shows patterns and shifts in how you work with AI. Insights appear as cards you can page through, each with its supporting data, and each can be narrated aloud. They describe verifiable behaviour, not fixed personality labels.

Note Observations update as your behaviour changes. Insights are based only on aggregated local session data.



Figs. 25–26 Self Reflection: insight cards and their supporting data

Using the screen

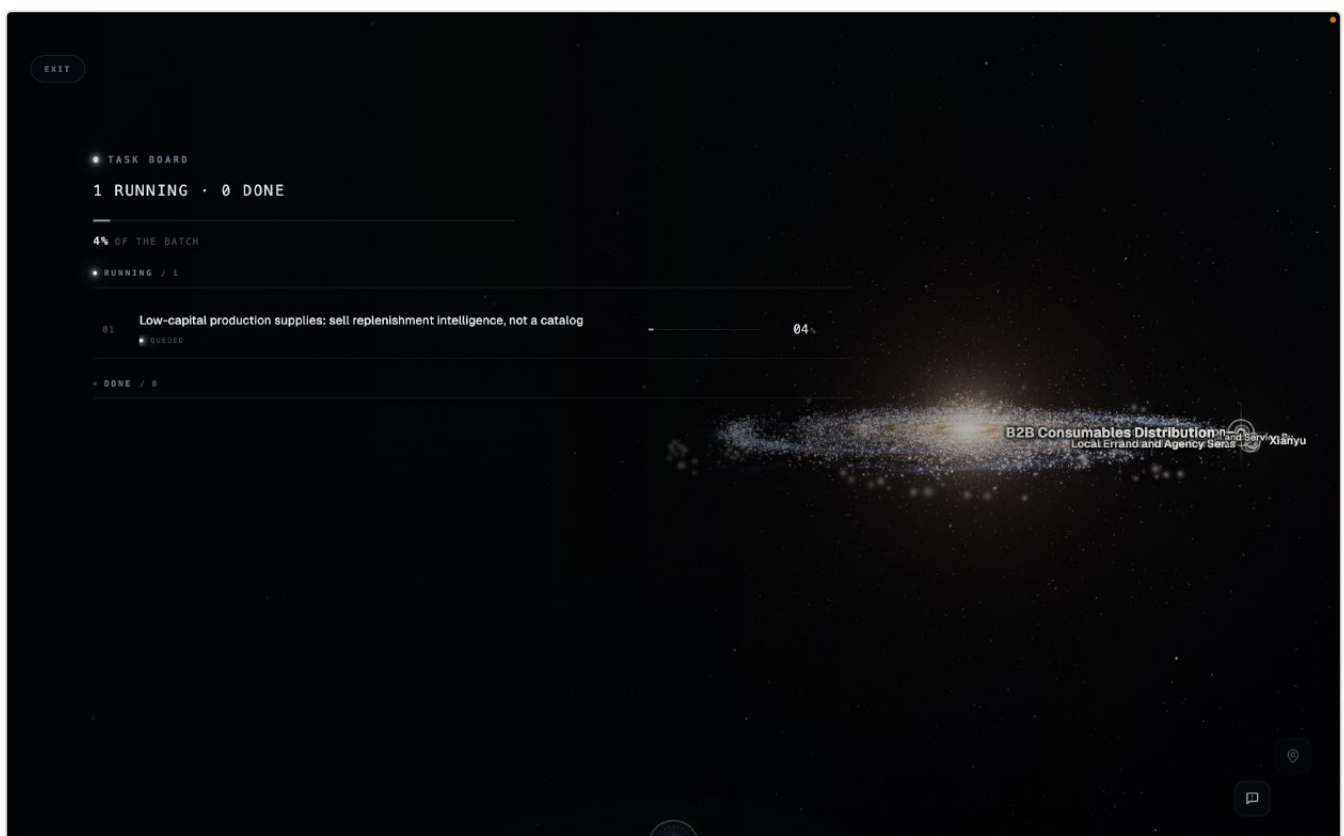
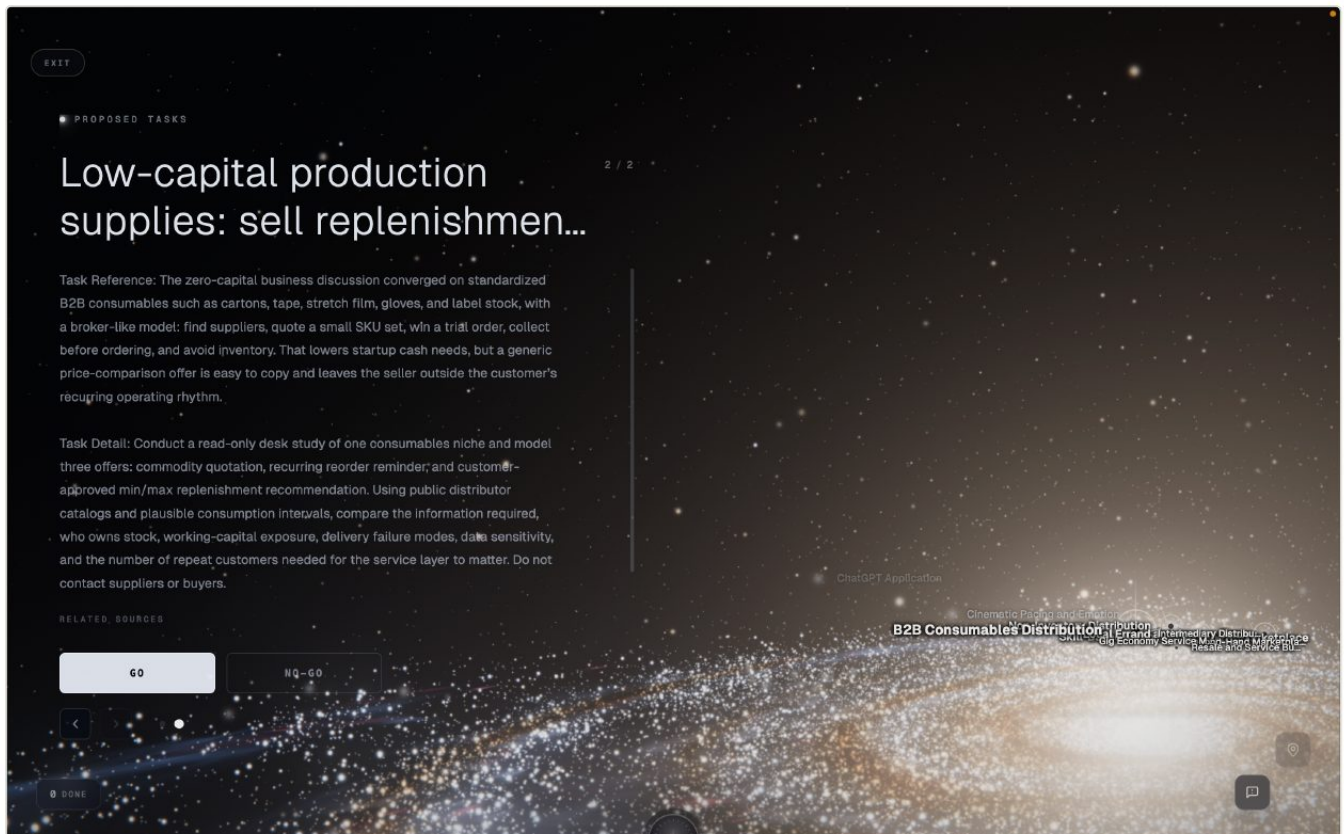
1. Click **SELF REFLECTION** at the bottom of Home.
2. Read the title and interpretation on the left for the theme, conclusion and explanation.
3. Check the data on the right: message count, active days, projects, single-day peak, observation window and sources.
4. Use the page number and arrows at the top right to move between cards.

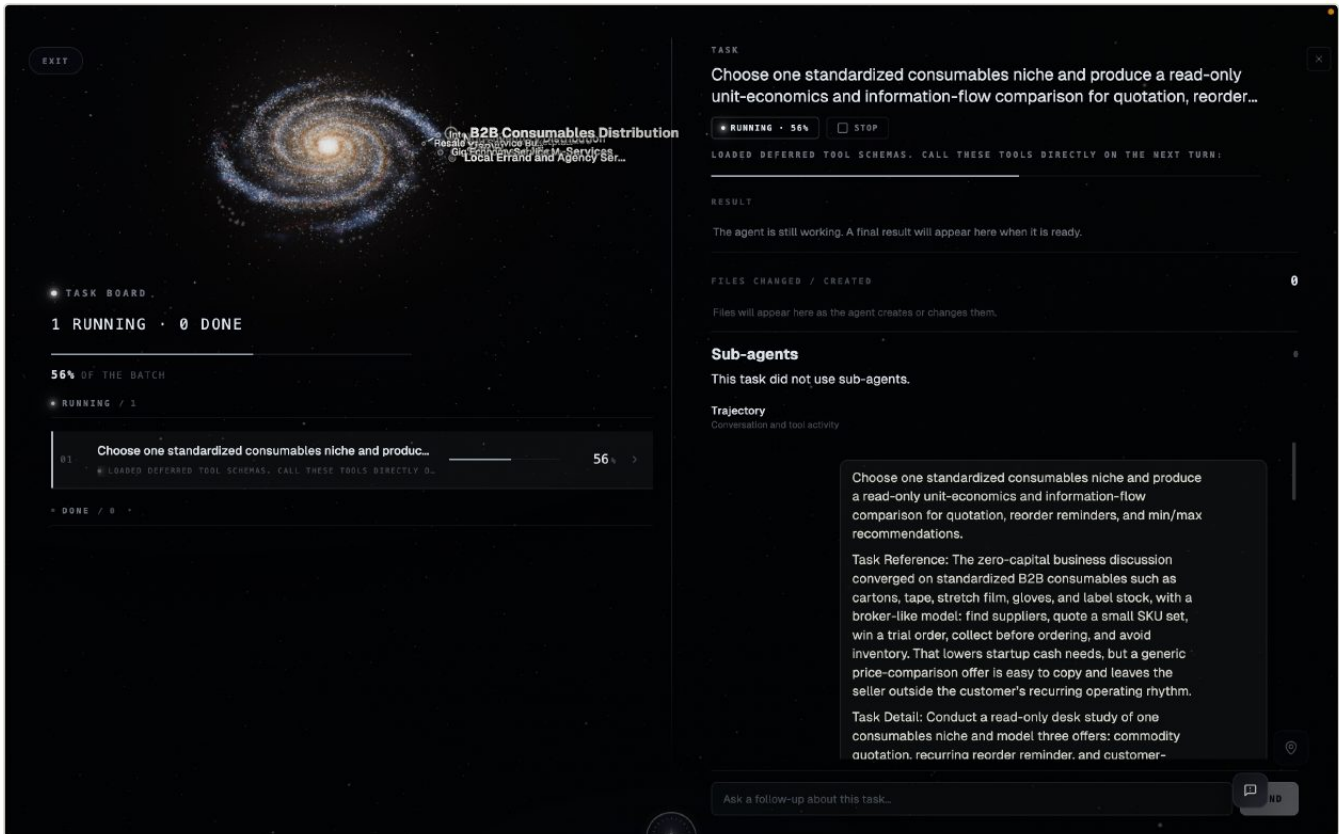
5. Use the voice status bar at the bottom to listen or ask follow-ups.
6. Click **EXIT** at the top left to return to Home.

3.4 Next Move: evidence-based next steps

When the evidence supports it, Next Move proposes action as task cards (**PROPOSED TASKS**). You choose **GO** or **NO-GO** card by card. It is not an auto-generated to-do list: without real evidence, no suggestion appears.





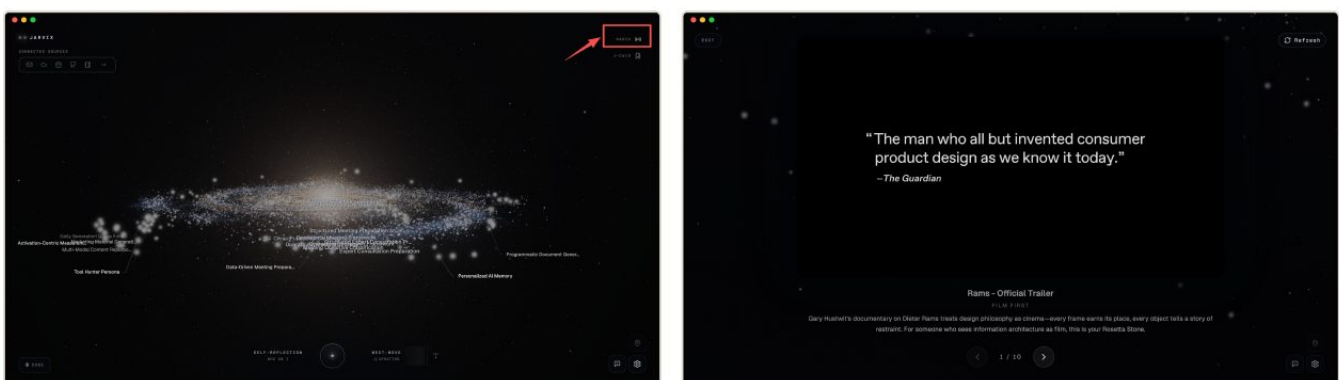


Figs. 27–30 Next Move: task cards, supporting evidence and Task Detail

Using the screen

1. Click **NEXT-MOVE** at the bottom of Home. If the button reads **UPDATING**, suggestions are still being generated or refreshed.
2. Read the cards in the **PROPOSED TASKS** area. The page number at the top right shows the current card and lets you step through them.
3. Each card has two parts: **Task Reference** explains the records and problem behind the suggestion; **Task Detail** explains what would be done and how.
4. Choose **GO** to approve and run the suggestion, or **NO-GO** to keep it without acting.

3.5 Jarvis Radio: a feed for your interests



Figs. 31–32 Jarvis Radio: a video feed from your interests

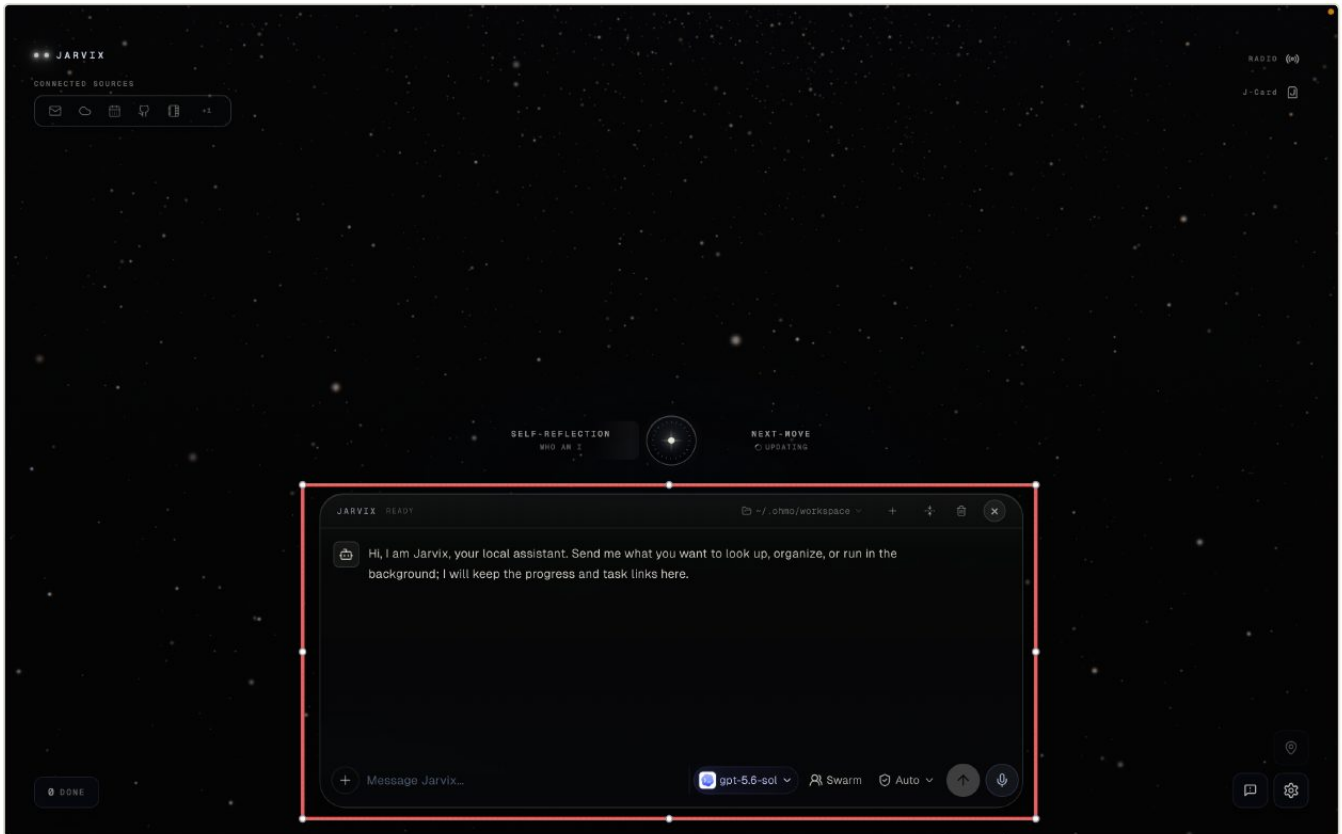
1. Click **RADIO** at the top right of Home.
2. Browse the feed and read the reason under each item.

3. The reasons should map to your actual work or interests, not generic trending content.

3.6 Jarvis Search: context search and Agent Team Mode

Click the T button at the bottom of **Home** to open the Jarvis conversation panel. From here you can search your personal context, or switch on **Agent Team Mode** to have several AI agents work together.



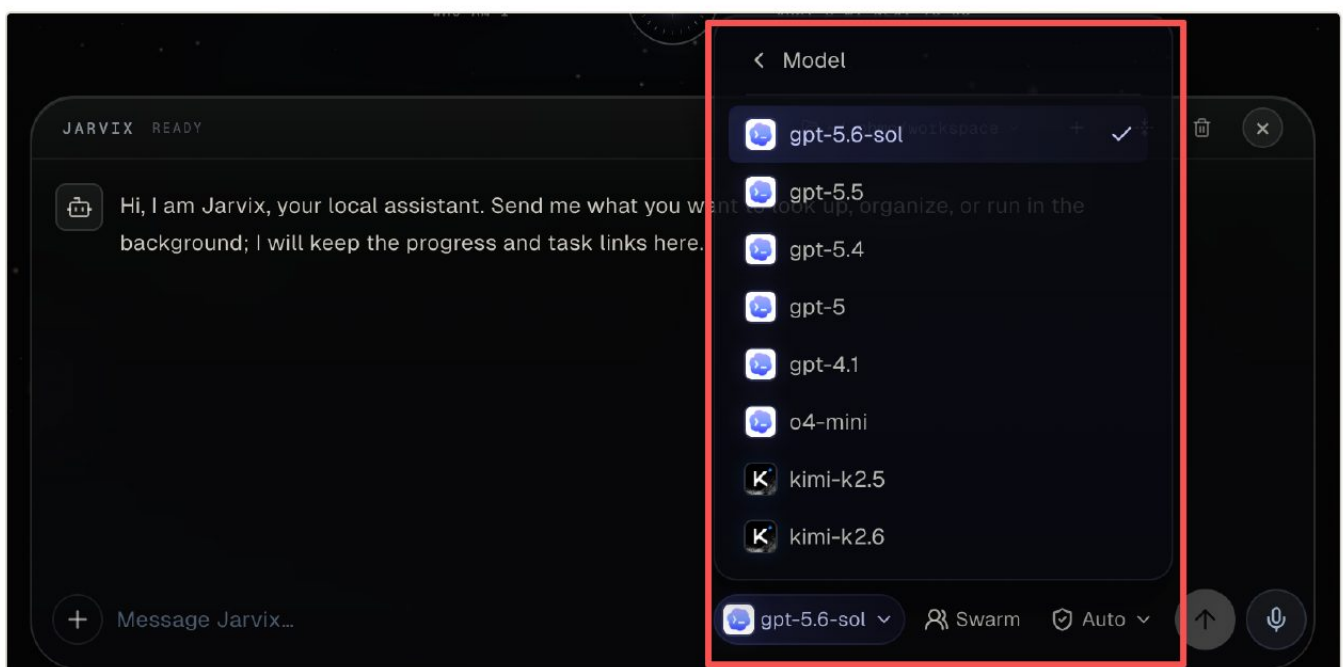
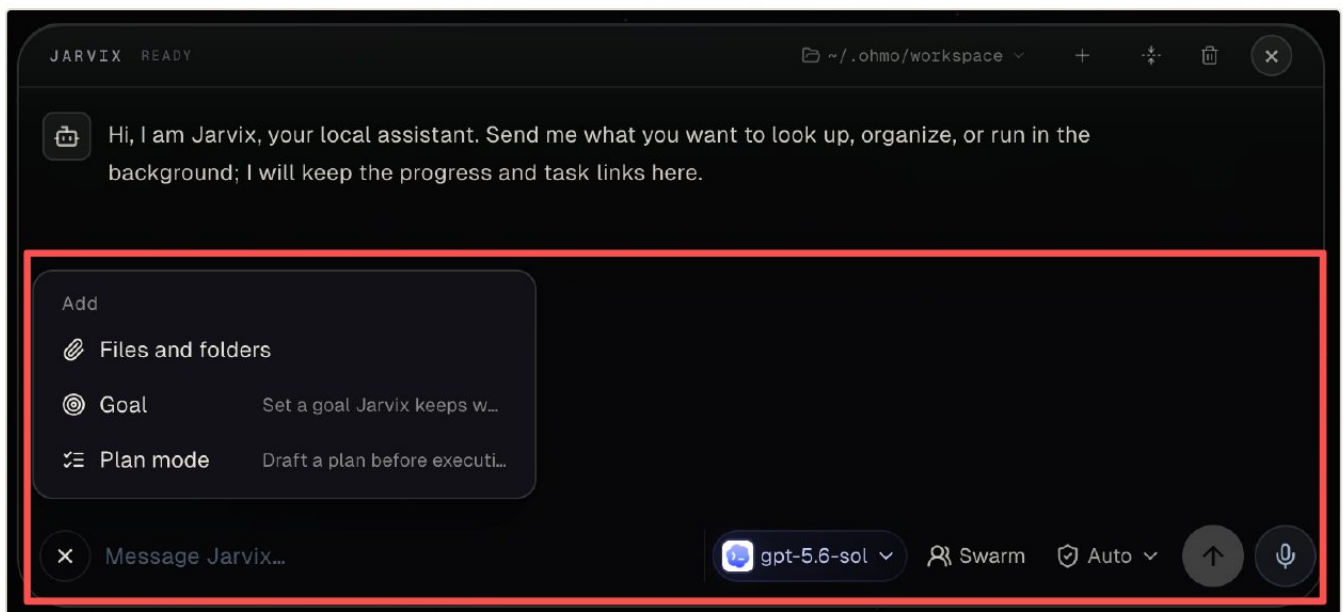
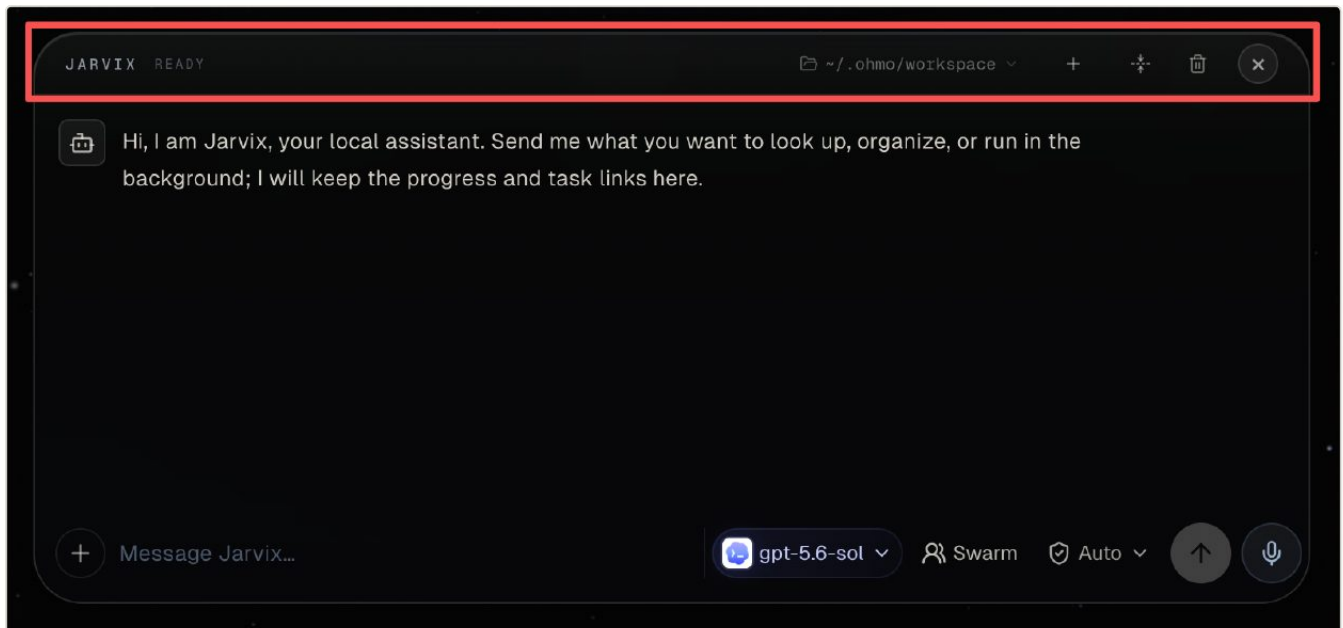


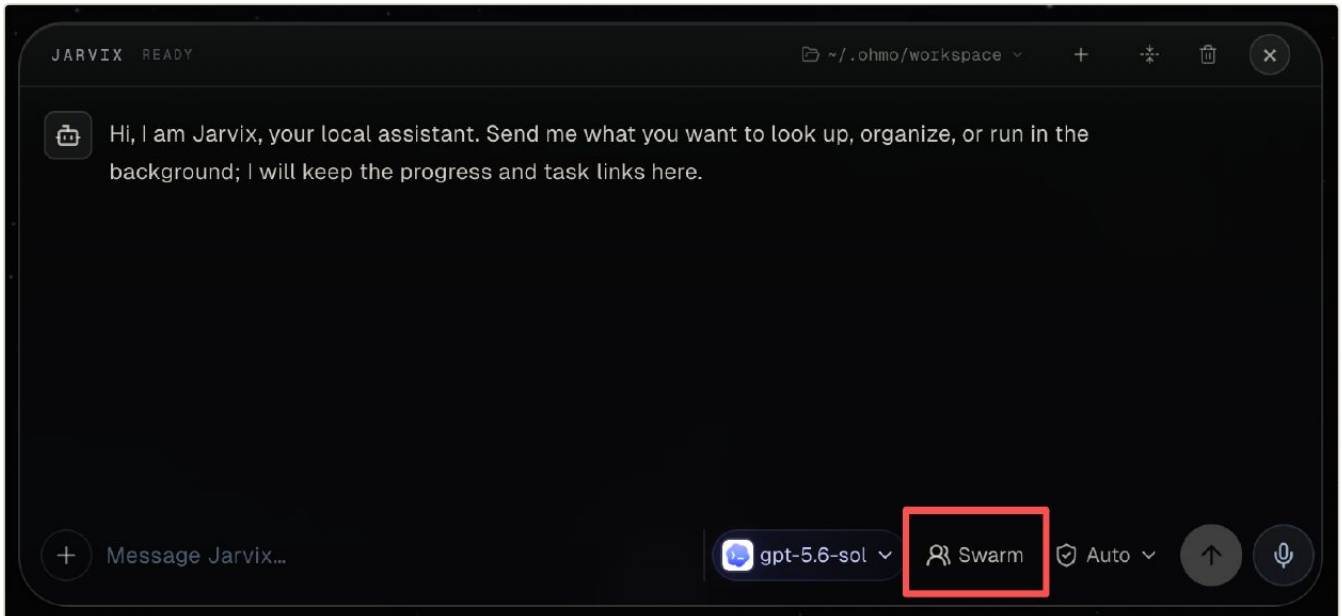
Figs. 33–34 Jarvis Search: the T button and the conversation panel

1. Click the T button at the bottom of Home.
2. The conversation panel opens below the main view.
3. Click x at the top right to close it and return to Home.

The top of the panel handles the working directory and sessions:

- **Working directory** — click the folder path to choose the local directory for the current task.
- **Switch session** — click the session name to move between existing sessions.
- **New session** — click + at the top to create one.
- **Compact context** — click the compact button to condense the current session's context.
- **Delete session** — click the delete button to remove the current session.





Figs. 35–38 Conversation panel: directory and sessions, input field, model selection and the Swarm entry

1. Type a question or task in the field at the bottom, or click the microphone to speak.
2. Click + to the left of the field to add: files and folders (bring local material into this conversation), a goal (something you want Jarvis to keep pushing forward), or plan mode (Jarvis drafts a plan before acting).
3. Click the model name to choose the model for this conversation.
4. Click send to submit.

Swarm mode

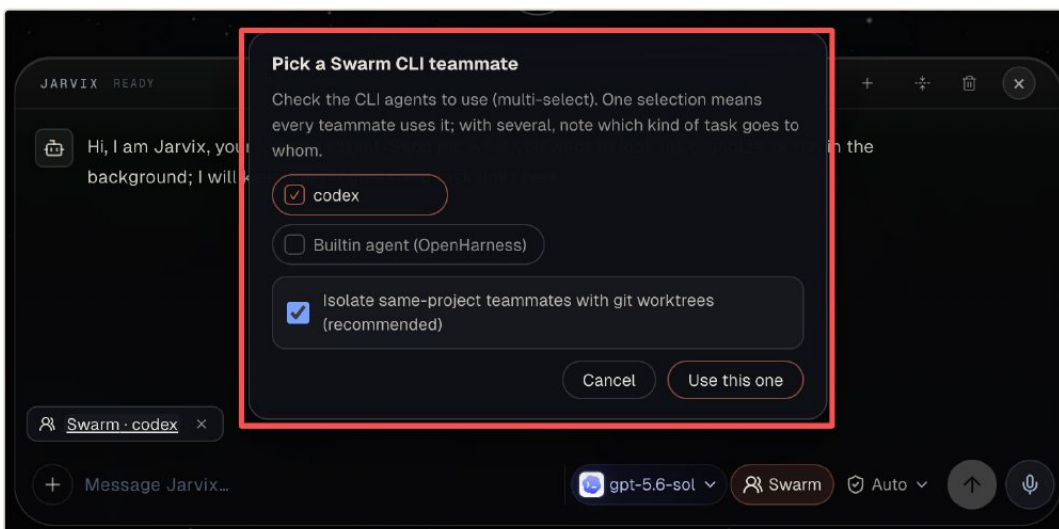


Fig. 39 Swarm: choosing the CLI agents that join the task

Swarm coordinates several AI agents on one task. Jarvis acts as host agent: assigning work, syncing context, coordinating handoffs and consolidating results. You describe the outcome you want and pick the agents. Team members share one body of context, and execution and key decisions stay under your control.

1. Click the **Swarm** button beside the input field.

2. Choose the CLI agents that will take part. When they work on the same project, keep **git worktree** isolation.
3. Confirm the selection, then enter the goal and the result you expect.
4. Submit the task and follow progress on the task board; the report is available there when it finishes.

FAQ

How often do Context Map, Self Reflection, J-Card, Next Move and Jarvis Radio update?

They update gradually from the personal context currently available to Jarvis, rather than refreshing in real time. The rhythm differs by feature and depends on how much new context and data arrives.

Will Jarvis replace the Codex or Claude Code I already use?

No. Keep using the tools you know; Jarvis carries context between them and, when needed, organizes several agents into a team.

Will Jarvis act without telling me?

No. Next Move runs a task only after you choose **GO** or say “start this one”. Swarm goals, members and decision gates are confirmed by you, and agents can be paused or stopped at any time.

Is all of my data stored locally?

Not entirely. Jarvis is local-first but not fully offline: search, media and voice features may send limited data to external providers — the privacy policy defines the exact scope. Self Reflection and J-Card insights are based only on aggregated local session data.

Can Jarvis import data from every AI product?

No. Jarvis currently supports agents such as Codex, Claude Code, WorkBuddy, Jarvis, OpenClaw, Hermes and Trae, provided their session data is stored locally and Jarvis has been granted access. Data that exists only in the cloud cannot be read yet.

How do the Swarm button and Agent Team Mode relate?

They are the same thing. Agent Team Mode is the feature name; Swarm is the toggle in the conversation panel — click once to turn it on, again to turn it off.

Are there usage or context limits?

Yes. Usage, context size and cost depend on how you work; the official documentation defines the exact allowances.

Why haven't I received any Next Move?

That is usually normal. Next Move only shows a suggestion when real evidence exists; with nothing suitable, it stays quiet. When the button reads **UPDATING**, suggestions are still being generated.

What if the first index takes a long time?

Indexing time scales with how much material you authorize. During setup, start with your most important sources and widen the scope later.

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Getting help

WEBSITE

jarvix.live

Downloads, product information and news

FEEDBACK & COMMUNITY

hi@jarvix.live

Discord: discord.gg/tfzRhBrF9

The Feedback entry in the lower right of the app sends questions and suggestions straight to the Jarvix team.