

Bayron Harbor Quick Start

This guide takes you from the release archive to your first useful financial overview. It is intentionally short. For complete screen-by-screen instructions, open `User_Guide_EN.pdf` from the same release archive.

1. Installation

- 1 Extract the delivery archive, for example `BayronHarbor_v1.0.0_EN.zip`, to a local folder.
- 2 Open this Quick Start before running the installer if you want to review the first setup flow.
- 3 Run the installer named `bayron-harbor-setup-1.0.0.exe`, or the `bayron-harbor-setup-...exe` file included with your release.
- 4 Follow the setup wizard and finish installation.
- 5 Start Bayron Harbor from the Start Menu shortcut.

Note: Bayron Harbor is a Windows desktop app. The installer checks for Microsoft Edge WebView2 Runtime and installs the bundled runtime when it is missing.

Windows security note: The Bayron Harbor public-release installer is digitally signed. A new release may still show a Microsoft Defender SmartScreen warning while the file builds reputation with Microsoft.

To verify the signature, right-click the installer, open Properties, go to Digital Signatures, select the signature, and open Details. Windows should report that the signature is valid and identify the signer as Maksym Glebskyi.

Do not run the installer if the digital signature is missing, invalid, or identifies a different signer.

2. First Launch

On first launch, Bayron Harbor opens the vault screen. Your personal workspace is stored locally and encrypted on this computer.



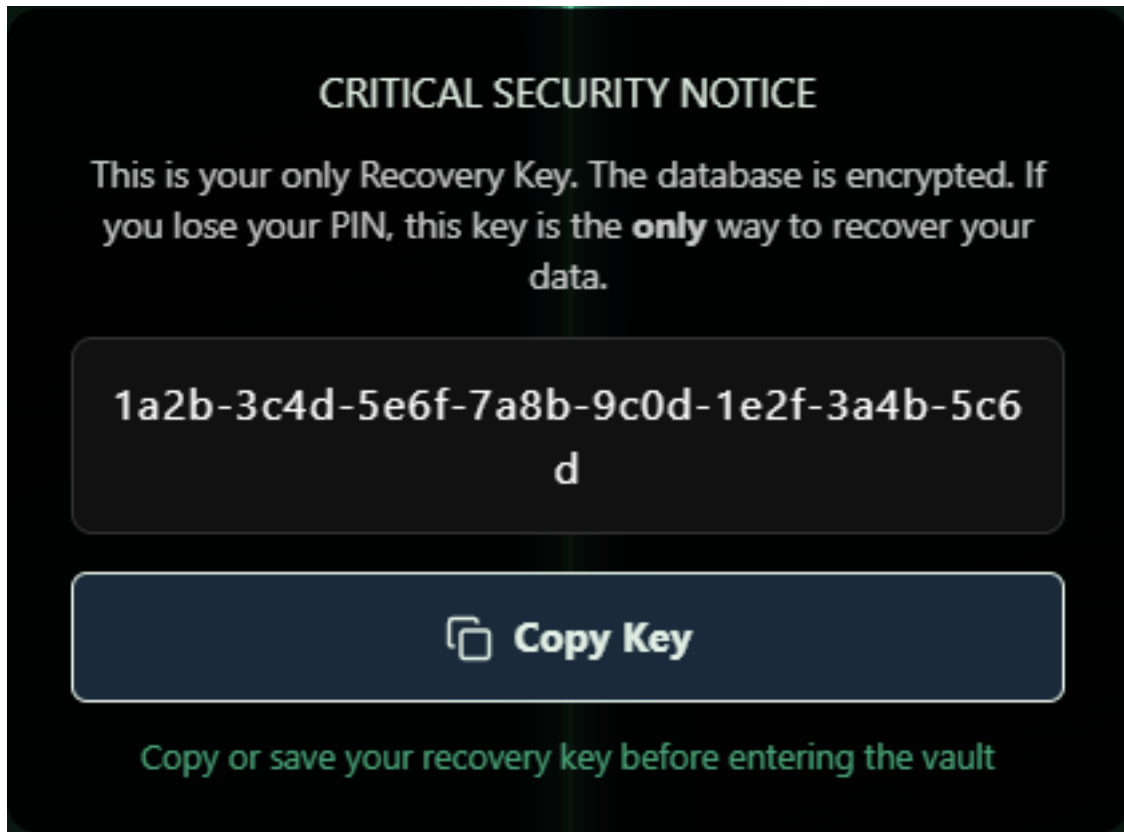
First launch vault screen. Notice the empty 6-digit PIN field used to create the personal workspace.

- 1 When you see `Create a new 6-digit PIN`, type a 6-digit PIN.
- 2 Type the same PIN again when the app asks you to confirm it.
- 3 Wait for the Recovery Key screen before continuing into the app.

Important: The PIN unlocks your local encrypted data on this computer. It is not an online account password; Bayron Harbor does not create a cloud account for you.

3. PIN And Recovery Key

After PIN setup, Bayron Harbor shows `CRITICAL SECURITY NOTICE` and your Recovery Key.



Recovery Key screen. Notice the full dashed key and the Copy Key button. The key shown here is synthetic.

- 1 Read the notice.
- 2 Select Copy Key.
- 3 Store the Recovery Key in a secure password manager or another safe offline location.
- 4 Keep the full key exactly as shown, including all dashes.
- 5 After the key is copied, the app enters your personal workspace.

Warning: If you lose both your PIN and Recovery Key, Bayron Harbor cannot recover the encrypted personal workspace. Do not share the Recovery Key with support, colleagues, or anyone who should not access your financial data.

If you later lose access, choose `Lost Access? Use Recovery Key` on the vault screen, enter the full Recovery Key, and create a new 6-digit PIN.

4. Optional: Explore Demo Workspace First

If you want to explore Bayron Harbor before entering personal data, open `System Settings` and select `Open Demo Workspace`.

Demo Workspace contains sample data for learning and testing. Changes in Demo Workspace do not affect your encrypted personal workspace, PIN, Recovery Key, or license.

Use Demo Workspace to try incomes, expenses, same-currency transfers, exchanges, budgets, loans, recurring plans, and reports. When you finish, use `Return to Personal` and unlock your personal workspace with its PIN.

5. Before Entering Real Data

Before using Bayron Harbor for real financial tracking, decide exactly when tracking begins.

- 1 Choose the date and moment immediately before your first transaction in Bayron Harbor.
- 2 Add every account you want to track, such as bank accounts, cards, cash wallets, savings accounts, or brokerage cash balances.
- 3 For each account, enter its real balance at that starting moment as `Initial Balance`.
- 4 Add only incomes, expenses, transfers, exchanges, and loan payments that happened after that balance was measured.
- 5 Do not add older transactions unless you also adjust the initial balance and understand which reporting period those transactions will change.

Example: To begin with all activity from June 1, use each account's balance at the end of May 31, or its balance immediately before the first June 1 transaction. Then record the June 1 transactions and everything after them.

Important: An account does not have a separate `Starting Date` field. Your chosen starting moment is a bookkeeping convention that keeps the initial balance and later records consistent.

6. Minimal Data Setup

Before adding daily records, create the base data that the transaction screens need.

- 1 Open `Currencies` from the `Settings` navigation group.
- 2 In `Add Currency`, enter a code such as `USD` and a name such as `US Dollar`, then select `ADD`.
- 3 Open `Accounts` from the `Management` navigation group.
- 4 In `New Account`, enter an `Account Name`, choose the `Currency`, enter the balance from your chosen starting moment as `Initial Balance`, and select `SAVE ACCOUNT`.
- 5 Open `Categories` from the `Settings` navigation group.
- 6 In `Add Category`, enter one spending category such as `Food`, then select `ADD`.
- 7 Open `Income Sources` from the `Settings` navigation group.
- 8 In `Add Income Source`, enter one source such as `Salary`, then select `ADD`.

Note: You can add more currencies, accounts, categories, and income sources later. For the first workflow, one of each is enough.

7. First Transaction

Add either an income or an expense. Income is usually the simplest first check because it increases an account balance.

Add an income

- 1 Open `Incomes` from the `Operations` navigation group.
- 2 Select `ADD INCOME`.
- 3 In `New Income`, enter `Amount`.
- 4 Choose `Source`, `Account`, and `Date`.
- 5 Optionally add a description.
- 6 Select `SAVE INCOME`.

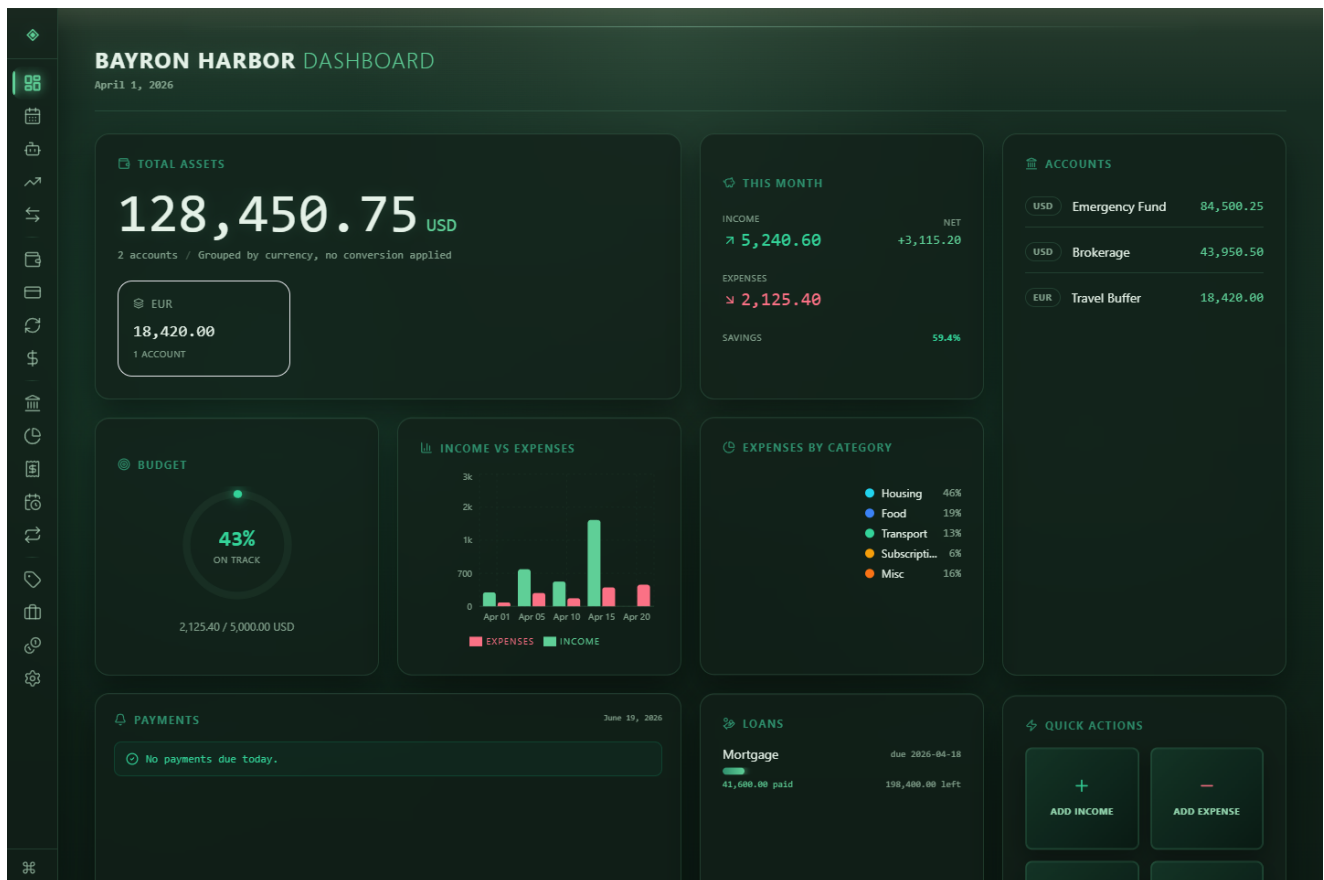
Or add an expense

- 1 Open `Expenses` from the `Operations` navigation group.
- 2 Select `ADD EXPENSE`.
- 3 In `New Expense`, enter `Amount`.
- 4 Choose `Category`, `Account`, and `Date`.
- 5 Optionally describe what the expense was for.
- 6 Leave `This is a Refund (money returned)` off unless this record reverses or reduces previous spending.
- 7 Select `SAVE EXPENSE`.

Important: If the Trial expires, the personal workspace becomes read-only until you activate a license. Existing reports and activation controls remain available, and Demo Workspace can still be used for practice.

8. First Report

After saving your first record, confirm that Bayron Harbor can show useful information.



Dashboard overview with synthetic accounts, monthly totals, charts, and upcoming payments.

- 1 Open Dashboard from the Overview navigation group.
- 2 Check the account balance, current-month totals, recent activity, and any visible chart widgets.
- 3 Open Monthly Report from the Overview navigation group when you want a focused month view.
- 4 Select the month and year that contain your first record.
- 5 Review income, expense, balance, and budget comparison areas as data becomes available.

Note: Some report areas are empty until you add matching data. For example, budget comparison needs a Budget, and loan or recurring widgets need Loans, loan repayments, or Recurring plans.

9. First Backup

After you create your first real accounts and base data, create an encrypted backup package.

- 1 Open System Settings.
- 2 In Backup & Recovery, select Create Backup.
- 3 Note the path of the generated .bhhbackup.zip file in the local Bayron Harbor backups directory.
- 4 Copy that file to a secure location outside the Bayron Harbor app-data folder, such as an encrypted external drive or another storage location you control.

Important: Bayron Harbor does not upload or copy backups automatically. A backup stored only in the app-data folder may be lost during disk failure or destructive maintenance.

10. Full User Guide

Open `User_Guide_EN.pdf` from the delivery archive for complete instructions covering:

- unlocking and recovering the personal workspace
- System Settings, Trial, Licensed state, and Activation Key workflow
- Currencies, Categories, Income Sources, Accounts, and starting balances
- Incomes, Expenses, refunds, Transfers, and Exchange
- Budget, Loans, Repayment Tracker, and Recurring plans
- Dashboard, Monthly Report, Account Turnover, Smart Report, and Dynamic Report
- Demo Workspace, encrypted backup restore, and advanced DB Access Key warnings

For most first-time users, the next useful step is to add the rest of the real accounts and categories, create the first backup, and then continue with daily Incomes and Expenses.