

Visual Planner

for Production Scheduling

Visual Planner for simple production planning and scheduling

Production planning and scheduling can be complex. You can spend much of your working day using spreadsheets and manual calculations to work out the best way to buy, allocate and use your manufacturing resources. LYNQ's Visual Planner makes this process quick and simple. It saves you time and money, and improves customer service.

The challenges of manufacturing

Planning and scheduling is a major challenge for manufacturers. The variables within the process can make or break a company. Unsatisfactory production plans lead to high operating costs, and a potential loss rather than a profit.

Success lies in buying, allocating and using production resources to:

- Minimise costs
- Boost efficiency
- Satisfy customers

The difficulty is reaching these goals quickly and easily.

The Visual Planner solution

LYNQ's Visual Planner does all this and more. At LYNQ, we understand the challenges you face with your manufacturing

business. Our staff come from manufacturing backgrounds. This means we have practical experience of your problems and how to solve them.

Visual Planner was developed for people like you. You don't have to replace your ERP platform to gain an all-inclusive product for planning and scheduling. Instead, Visual Planner integrates seamlessly with Exact Macola ES and Progression to provide everything you need.

Written with the latest Microsoft .NET tools, Visual Planner is easy to install and use. It's compatible with your operating system and software, and works with POP and SFC modules. Visual Planner is an example of LYNQ's guiding principle of producing pain-free IT.



With Visual Planner you can:

1. Integrate seamlessly with Exact Macola ES and Progression.
2. Manage labour, materials and sales quickly and effectively.
3. Meet target dates, and find ideal times and work centres.
4. Improve service, delivery times and customer satisfaction.
5. Investigate production options using 'What If' functionality.
6. Improve your ability to react to change.
7. Increase transparency through production plans, reports and capacity charts.
8. Cut costs and free up cash.

With Visual Planner, you extend your current ERP investment without having to replace it. You achieve greater value and a rapid ROI.

What you achieve with Visual Planner:

Gain the control you need

Your aim is to optimise the production process. Visual Planner helps you achieve this. You maximise efficiency and output, and improve customer service.

Get information instantly

Visual Planner's graphical planning screen is a single point of reference. Use this for instant access to data about departments, shifts, product details, trial kitting, order details, work centres, capacity, material needs and material availability.

All you require to make planning decisions is on one screen. No manual system can match this.

Allocate work efficiently

Check Visual Planner's graphical planning screen to see what resources you have available. Allocate work efficiently and cost-effectively.

View production plans

View your production plans on Visual Planner. Arrange your plans daily, weekly or monthly.

Access live Exact Macola data

Use Visual Planner to access live Exact Macola data. Look at orders, production reports, capacity charts and much more. Feed data from Visual Planner into Exact Macola to confirm production arrangements.

Improve delivery commitments

Visual Planner enables you to make accurate delivery promises, improving your customer satisfaction and increasing repeat orders.

Forecast demand

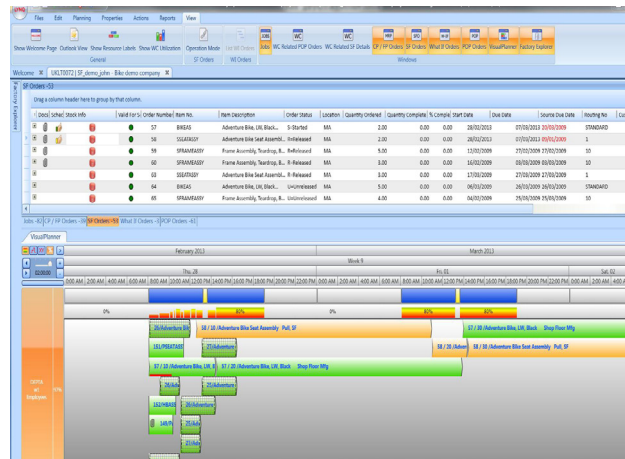
Forecast potential demand with Visual Planner. Assess the impact of extra work on your manufacturing process. When a customer places an order, use Visual Planner to work out if you have the resources and capacity to meet it.

Reduce disruption

Switch to automatic planning and scheduling on Visual Planner to minimise tool and line change disruption.

Work in unison with MRP

Visual Planner works closely with MRP. Match your purchasing plans with your production plans. Avoid ordering materials too early or too late. Get the best prices and keep costs down.



Save money and time with Visual Planner

- Customer feedback shows Visual Planner can cut time spent on production planning by up to 50%.
- With Visual Planner, you cut waste and boost efficiency. Reduce waste by just 0.1%, and you get up to a 3% increase in productivity.
- Visual Planner helps you make the most cost-effective use of resources. For example, you can manage overtime better and save money.
- When used with iLYNQ Labour you are able to report production at each operational step and track labour performance automatically against scheduled jobs.

Contact LYNQ today for a no-obligation demo of Visual Planner. Phone +44 (0) 1329 800 000 and take the first steps towards simplifying your production planning and scheduling with Visual Planner.

"Visual Planner is a significant part of our new production planning process. This has been a great product for us and an excellent investment that maximizes the productivity of our MS / MRP system."

Terry P. Goeman, Director of Manufacturing, King Technology, Inc.