

If you're involved with an online business, here are twelve alternatives to [PayPal](#) that you should definitely investigate.

Google Wallet

[Google Wallet](#) was once Google's Checkout. And while the name has changed, the features have remained intact. It's safe, simple and has rapid transfers to and from your bank account. It also has similar features to PayPal, such as credit card processing and the ability to send out invoices.

WePay

Besides featuring stellar customer service and fraud protection, [WePay](#) is a standout alternative because consumers can make purchases without leaving your site via a virtual terminal. Not only does this make your site look more professional, the service seems to be more focused on the individual's interests and not just their credit card numbers.

2Checkout

By combining a merchant account with a payment gateway [2Checkout](#) permits customers to receive credit card and PayPal payments. The company also features international payments, a solid shopping cart, and recurring billing.

Authorize.Net

[Authorize.Net](#) has been around since 1996 and is supposedly the Internet's most widely used payment gateway. Authorize.Net has over 400,000 merchants and has been the recipient of the Achievement in Customer Excellence (ACE) award for five consecutive years.

Skrill

[Skrill](#), formerly Moneybookers, has some intriguing features such as a free setup, low fees, and the ability to send text messages straight from your account. Besides being a popular and simple alternative to PayPal, the service is great for international merchants since you're allowed to transfer your account balance onto a prepaid debit card almost instantly.

Intuit

[Intuit](#) is almost an essential service if you're a small business owner who needs help with your finances. Besides being able to accept payments, both online and in-person with GoPayment, Intuit can also help you pay employees, calculate payroll taxes, and file payroll tax forms.

ProPay

[ProPay](#) offers similar features to other PayPal alternatives including the ability to receive and send money anywhere in the world and even recurring billing and a built-in shopping cart. The one big advantage that ProPay has over the others is it's also accepted by eBay. There's also the ProPay JAK, a mobile phone credit card reader which can process credit and debit cards in real-time on your iOS or Android phones, in case you're doing transactions in person.

Click2Sell

While [Click2Sell](#) has the normal features found on any worthy PayPal replacement, it's one of the few that will accept PayPal, Google Checkout, Skrill, and credit cards with or without a merchant account. But, the most standout features are affiliate tracking, powerful reports, and automated sales management. They also have the leading sales reporting tools so you can better understand your strategies and sales tactics.

Dwolla

[Dwolla](#) is very similar to PayPal in that you can do everything from paying your friends back to accepting payments at your place of business. What's unique about this service is that if both parties have a Dwolla account, then money can be spent easily through their name, Facebook ID, Twitter handle, LinkedIn profile, telephone number, or email address.

Braintree

[Braintree](#) has been growing steadily since 2007. Some of the platform's features include a payment gateway, recurring billing, credit card storage, and allowing global online and mobile businesses to accept credit card payments via a merchant account.

ClickBank

[ClickBank](#) has been around since 1998 and offers a ton of easy to use features. ClickBank does everything for you, including building a site for your products and optimizing your business. Basically, ClickBank is a one-stop shop for online businesses.

Stripe

[Stripe](#) is a rapidly growing start-up that removes the need for a merchant account or gateway. Stripe takes care of all your payment needs from storing cards, to handling subscriptions, to direct payouts to your bank account. Web developers will dig the ability to integrate a payment system into a projects by using Stripe's API.