

The Owner's Guide to AI in a Box

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What Is AI in a Box?

AI in a Box is a small, on-site Intel NUC device that sits on your network and connects the software systems your business already runs — QuickBooks, Sage, JobBOSS, Microsoft 365, and more. It pulls data from those systems in real time and surfaces everything through a single, live dashboard powered by Claude AI, developed by Anthropic.

You don't swap out your software. You don't retrain your staff on a new platform. You get a layer of intelligence that ties everything together — and gives you answers instead of raw data.

AI in a Box is installed, configured, and managed by Quantum Technologies. From the moment the device arrives at your door to the moment your dashboard goes live, our team handles every step.

How It Works

The device connects to your local network during a single on-site visit from Quantum. Once it's running, here's what happens:

1. The device establishes API connections to your software systems — QuickBooks, Sage, JobBOSS, Microsoft 365, and any other platform with an available API.
2. Data from those systems flows into the device continuously. Job costs, invoices, timecards, open work orders, accounts receivable — all of it, in real time.
3. Claude AI processes that data, looks for patterns, flags anomalies, and prepares the insights that matter most to your operation.

4. You open your dashboard — on your desktop, laptop, or tablet — and see your entire business at a glance. No logging into five systems. No waiting for month-end reports.

Think of it as a business intelligence layer that lives on your network, not in the cloud, and that speaks plain English instead of requiring you to build reports or write queries.

What It Connects To

AI in a Box is designed to work with the software already running in your business. Current integrations include:

- **Accounting:** QuickBooks (Desktop and Online), Sage
- **Job Management / ERP:** JobBOSS, and other platforms with API access
- **Productivity & Communication:** Microsoft 365 (email, calendar, SharePoint)
- **Any Software with an API:** If your platform has an API, Quantum's team can evaluate the integration during your discovery call

Don't see your software listed? That's a conversation worth having. Our team evaluates new integrations regularly, and what's possible expands as platforms open up their APIs.

What Installation Looks Like

One of the most common questions we hear is: "How much work is this going to be for me?" The honest answer: almost none.

Here's the installation process from your perspective:

1. We schedule a discovery call to understand your software stack, your data priorities, and what you want to see on your dashboard.
2. Quantum delivers the device and handles the physical installation — it's a compact Intel NUC that sits on a shelf, rack, or desktop. You don't touch a wire.
3. Our technicians connect the device to your network and establish the API connections to your software systems on-site.
4. We configure your dashboard to surface the reports and metrics that matter most to your business.
5. We walk you through the dashboard before we leave. If something isn't right, we fix it before we close the ticket.

The full installation typically takes half a day. Some businesses are fully live the same afternoon we arrive.

Is This Right for Your Business?

AI in a Box is purpose-built for small to mid-sized businesses that are running multiple software systems and spending too much time chasing data instead of using it.

It's a strong fit if:

You run two or more software systems and regularly export data or re-enter information between them. You want a morning briefing — not a morning fire drill spent logging into multiple platforms. You're ready for AI that's actually useful to your business, not a chatbot that generates generic summaries.

It may not be the right fit if:

You run a single software system with no plans to expand. You're a startup with no meaningful operational data yet — AI in a Box works best when there's real business data to surface.

Three Questions to Ask Yourself Before You Start

1. **Do I know which three numbers would tell me if today is going well?** If you can name them, AI in a Box can put them in front of you every morning. If you can't, that's the first conversation to have.
2. **Am I making decisions based on last month's data?** Month-end reports tell you what already happened. Real-time data lets you act while there's still time to act.
3. **Do I have at least two software systems I'd want connected?** The value of AI in a Box grows with every system it touches. Two connected systems is the minimum where the insight layer starts to pay off.

If you answered yes to all three, you're the person we built this for.

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