

Trading Journal Template

The discipline habit every profitable trader keeps. What you don't measure, you can't improve.

Why Journal Every Trade?

A trading journal turns random guessing into a repeatable, improvable process. Professional traders review their journal weekly to find patterns in what works — and, more importantly, what doesn't. Fill in one row per trade, ideally right after you exit the position while the details are fresh.

"Amateurs think about how much money they can make. Professionals think about how much money they could lose."

What Each Column Means

The Trade Facts

- **Date** — when you entered
- **Instrument** — stock/index name
- **Direction** — Long (buy) or Short (sell)
- **Entry / Exit** — actual prices
- **Stop-Loss / Target** — your plan before entry
- **Quantity** — from your Position Size Calculator

The Learning Facts

- **P&L** — actual profit or loss on the trade
- **R:R** — risk-to-reward you actually got
- **Reason for Entry** — the setup/signal you saw
- **Emotion** — how you felt (calm/anxious/greedy/FOMO)
- **Lesson** — one thing to repeat or avoid next time

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Your Trading Journal

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