

1.3 Pros and Cons of using PRIMER

To re-cap and summarise, below is a table outlining the primary pros and cons of using PRIMER, as I see it:

Pros	Cons
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Easy to use	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Not free
<ul style="list-style-type: none">High-quality results you can trust	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Not platform-independent (Windows only)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Special focus: robust multivariate methods, especially for ecology	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Niche is somewhat narrow
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Built by a small team of experts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Not much univariate or classical stats
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Does not require programming skills or code-writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No scripting (yet)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Does many things that no other software will do	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Handles complex experimental/sampling designs correctly	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Great for scientists/practitioners	

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