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# **Feature Scope Description for SAP Ariba Buying**

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# 1 SAP Ariba Buying

SAP Ariba Buying offers buyer users a personalized, guided process for finding and ordering the items they need for work. A simplified user experience streamlines the process for shopping, ordering, and approvals, enabling buyer users to track their requests and complete their purchases seamlessly. Buyer users can search for items in connected shopping sites, consider relevant suggestions that the application presents, or request items they can't find.

## 2 Document History

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The following table provides an overview of the most important document changes.

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1.0	2023-09-30	First version
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## 3 About This Document

The feature scope description shows you which features are provided with SAP Ariba Buying. In addition, this feature scope description also defines the feature scope description as the product documentation for SAP Ariba Buying.

### 3-System Landscape

Please note that the features described in this document require a 3-system landscape.

#### Note

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## 4 Basic Features

The following sections give you a high-level overview of the features available for administrators and users in SAP Ariba Buying.

### [Features for Administrators \[page 6\]](#)

This section provides an overview of the basic features available for an administrator in SAP Ariba Buying.

### [Features for Users \[page 7\]](#)

This section provides an overview of the basic features available for users in SAP Ariba Buying.

### 4.1 Features for Administrators

This section provides an overview of the basic features available for an administrator in SAP Ariba Buying.

Feature	Description
Connecting to multiple shopping sites	<p>Administrators can connect SAP Ariba Buying to multiple shopping sites that provide access to items from various catalog content providers, such as internal and public catalogs.</p> <p>Administrators can also configure SAP Ariba Buying to let buyer users go directly to a supplier's website or online store from within SAP Ariba Buying and select the items they want. The selected items are added to the cart in SAP Ariba Buying, where users can then complete the request process.</p> <p>Buyer users can access the content of all connected shopping sites throughout the buying process.</p>
Displaying announcements	<p>Administrators can create announcements to broadcast any business or technical news, such as scheduled maintenance, new available suppliers, or changes to procurement policies.</p>
Managing approvals	<p>Administrators can configure and manage approval workflows for requests buyers create in SAP Ariba Buying.</p> <p>Approvers can approve or reject requests they're responsible for.</p>
Integration with data provider for carbon footprint	<p>SAP Ariba Buying supports integration with external systems that provide data on carbon footprint, currently DitchCarbon.</p>
Integration with enterprise resource planning (ERP) system	<p>SAP Ariba Buying offers seamless integration with an ERP system (currently, SAP S/4HANA Cloud) for fulfilling purchase requests and automating procurement processes.</p>

## 4.2 Features for Users

This section provides an overview of the basic features available for users in SAP Ariba Buying.



Feature	Description
Requesting items and tracking the requests	Buyer users can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Search for, browse, and order items on connected shopping sites.</li><li>• View and compare the details of items they're considering.</li><li>• Request items not found in a search.</li><li>• Track the status of their requests during the entire end-to-end process, from request to invoice.</li></ul>
Connecting to multiple shopping sites	Buyer users can access the content of all connected shopping sites throughout the buying process.
Managing approvals	Approvers can approve or reject requests they're responsible for.
Intelligent suggestions	SAP Ariba Buying can present buyer users with suggestions based on users' behavior and system configuration, aiding in the decision-making process. After using SAP Ariba Buying for a while, buyer users can view: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Relevant suggestions for items to consider</li><li>• Recommended material groups when requesting items that aren't listed on the connected shopping sites</li></ul>
Displaying carbon footprint information for products	Buyer users can view carbon footprint information for products while shopping if a data provider is enabled.

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