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Comparing a custom-built website with AI and cloud tools against WordPress.

Based on [Why I Ditched Wordpress For A Custom Built Website Cursor Google Cloud](#) by Casey Builds It

Factor	WordPress	Custom-Built (Cursor + Google Cloud)
Dependencies	Relies on plugins and themes	No plugins or themes, full control
Security Risks	Each plugin is a potential security risk	Reduced security risks due to custom stack
Development Speed	Dependent on plugin roadmaps	Faster builds with AI-assisted development
Customization	Limited by available plugins and themes	Full control over features and structure
Hosting & Backend	Standard hosting solutions	Google App Engine for hosting and databases
Automation	Requires stitching multiple tools together	Integrated automation for content publishing
Admin Dashboard	Relies on third-party dashboard tools	Custom-built dashboard with specific features
Troubleshooting	Can be complex with plugin conflicts	AI tools like Cursor assist in debugging

Resources & Further Reading

Related guides to support your comparison:

■ Ditch WordPress for a Custom-Built Site (Action Sheet)

<https://storage.googleapis.com/casey-builds-it-checklists-20260730-06c7a0/casey-builds-it/Action%20Sheet/why-i-ditched-wordpress-for-a-custom-built-website-cursor-google-cloud-action-sheet.pdf>

■ Ditching WordPress for a Custom Stack (Infographic)

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Custom development with AI and cloud offers greater control and efficiency.