

# CloudBolt vs. VMware vRealize Automation

CloudBolt is a leading vendor-agnostic cloud management platform that helps customers manage hybrid and multi-cloud environments through a single self-service catalog, adding agility without sacrificing control. VMware vRealize Automation (vRA) is a complex suite of various products that's difficult to deploy, upgrade, and has limited extensibility, leaving you with an inflexible and expensive tool.

	Why Choose CloudBolt?	CloudBolt	VMware vRA 8.x
Ease of Deployment and Management	CloudBolt can be up and running in minutes with minimal to no expertise.	<p>Lightweight OVA appliance required for CloudBolt which is easy to maintain.</p> <p>No need for any dependent systems.</p> <p>Well-documented setup, maintenance, and support to ease troubleshooting.</p>	<p>Takes weeks or months to get the system up and running.</p> <p>Need at least three dependent systems for complete experience. For example, lifecycle manager, Identity manager, vRA appliance are needed for just a single node appliance.</p> <p>Troubleshooting documentation is minimal and can be frustrating to find more information.</p>
Upgrade Process	Streamlined, quick, and easy upgrade process.	Users can upgrade within UI in less than 15 minutes.	Upgrades from vRA 7.x to vRA 8.x are non-existent.
Extensibility	Easy to extend and integrate with various platforms, tools, and technologies of your choice. CloudBolt does not need any services engagement to integrate new features.	<p>Numerous technology integrations available out-of-the-box; more integrations added continuously.</p> <p>Simple Python-based extensibility that our customers leverage to extend the platform based on their needs.</p> <p>Everything with APIs can be integrated within minutes by customers; no professional services needed.</p>	<p>vRA 8.x has checkbox integrations and are not as deep. For example, Ansible integration is not as deep and needs more effort.</p> <p>Takes many cycles to get a request added in the RFE or product enhancement roadmap.</p> <p>Need for expensive professional services engagement.</p>

Vendor  
Agnostic

CloudBolt offers flexibility to adopt ALL public and private clouds. No vendor lock-in, no restraints.

Support all leading hypervisors, public clouds, & OpenStack environments out-of-the-box. 20+ cloud providers already integrated.

Multiple choices for IPAM, SSO, SAML, backup, disaster recovery, networking services for a true agnostic portfolio.

Only supported private cloud option is vSphere. No support for Nutanix, Hyper V, or other hypervisors for on-premises solution.

Need expensive Enterprise license to get true multi-cloud experience. Only connects with AWS, Azure and GCP.

## Listen To What Our Customers Are Saying



**Rarely does a product offer a "win/win" the way CloudBolt has. This product has reduced significant overhead for our Operations team while providing our development groups the level of self-service they've desired for a long time.**

-IT Systems Manager, Healthcare Organization



**Hands down the best multi-cloud management tool available. Was in search of a tool to provide added capabilities to our HCI solutions. CloudBolt provided not only the requirements we set out to find for our customers but provided much more additional capabilities that are essential to any business use case. Provides loads of day two value. Easy to install and create repeatable workloads and automation tasks as well as multi-tenancy, blueprinting, auditing tracking and features of a modern robust cloud solution in both public and private clouds.**

-Principle Solutions Architect, Services Industry



**CloudBolt was able to completely replace our old Cloud Management Platform within a month of deploying it. The user interface is smooth with an easy to understand layout for customers. The admin interface is complete, in that you can configure just about everything via browser. It has an API interface that worked great when I needed to deploy IaaS via GitLab CI/CD pipelines.**

-Sr. Systems Analyst, U.S. Government Agency



**Excellent product with an extremely easy installation/maintenance process. They've designed the tool to utilize accepted formats inside many cloud providers for a very easy setup. Customer support is great and has helped us with many custom variations for our more complex solutions.**

-I&O Leader, Manufacturing



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CloudBolt Software is the enterprise cloud management leader. Our comprehensive solutions for IT automation, orchestration, self-service IT, cost optimization, and security help enterprises simplify complexity and achieve rapid time-to-value anywhere on their hybrid cloud, multicloud journey. Our award-winning cloud management platform and infrastructure integration services are deployed and loved by enterprises worldwide. Backed by Insight Partners, CloudBolt Software has been named one of the fastest-growing private companies on the Deloitte Fast 500 and Inc. 5000 lists. In addition, CloudBolt is 2020 CODiE award winner for best cloud management and featured in Gartner's Magic Quadrant for Cloud Management Platforms.

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