

Your Journey to the Cloud

5 Simple Steps to Cloud Migration

Cloud technology is the digital future of business. Cloud-based apps are the lifeline of any modern organization - driving revenue, breeding competitive differentiation and connecting workers with essential data quicker than ever before. However, these functions demand superior operational efficiency.

Cloud technology promises the ability to meet these demands.

Migrating your workload to the public cloud can open up a host of new possibilities for your business, helping you to achieve increased IT agility, operational consistency, lower TCO, flexible scalability and a truly hybrid infrastructure.

Get started on your journey to the cloud, in 5 simple steps:



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Rationalize and justify the move to Cloud



Identify clear business needs for migration



Understand how migration will add value to your business



Modernize your existing infrastructures



Build the next generation of high-value apps

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Research migration strategies

Migrate without conversions



Benefit from significant savings and additional support

Use a SaaS solution



Free up on-prem resources for other workloads

Adopt a PaaS solution



Replace on-prem servers and enjoy increased agility

Re-architect an app or service



Add new and improved functionality to old, but valuable, products

Retire a workload



Refocus on opportunities that drive business value

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Test, learn and adapt your approach

Gain migration experience by experimenting with non-critical workloads and test cases. Learnings from these test cases will inform how to execute mission-critical workloads effectively.

Use this opportunity to on-board or upskill your IT staff in cloud migration. This will **reduce the cost** of employing new staff and **minimize risk** when it comes to larger migration projects.

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Plan effectively to mitigate risk

You will need...



- A team of workers skilled in cloud migration
- Dedicated research and insights on the migration process
- Sufficient tools and resources to support your team



- To test non-critical apps to determine migration timeframe, use of resources and other variables
- To determine the following:
 - Motivations for migration
 - App refactoring process
 - Complexity of workloads

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Seamlessly migrate to the cloud with VMware Cloud on AWS



VMware Cloud on AWS combines the leader in private cloud running on the **world's most popular public cloud provider**



Move and run mission-critical workloads at scale with robust business continuity



Deliver consistent network and security services and policies



Keep track of ongoing cloud resources with a variety of built-in control and analytics tools



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VMware Cloud on AWS mitigated our risk of moving business-critical apps to the cloud because we could leverage a consistent infrastructure and operational model.

Lesley Ashman

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