

# VMware Horizon 7 for Linux

## AT A GLANCE

VMware Horizon® 7 for Linux provides a centralized, secure, and simplified approach to provisioning and managing Linux-based desktops. It brings the same great management advantages of VMware Horizon 7 to Linux desktops and allows customers to leverage less expensive thin clients for Linux applications. Customers save even more by avoiding Windows licensing fees. And with Horizon for Linux, end users can enjoy seamless access to office applications and rich, immersive 3D graphics across devices, locations, mediums, and connections.

## KEY BENEFITS

- Streamline desktop management and drive down operational costs and capital expenditures
- Support greater productivity and easily extend access to Linux apps and services across the entire organization
- Provide fast, easy access to a broad range of Linux applications for the entire workforce including task workers, office workers, designers, and developers

## Linux Desktops

In a predominantly Windows world, the use of Linux desktops is becoming more pervasive. Organizations rely on Linux for a variety of reasons:

- Support access to the many design applications and engineering development applications that run only on Linux-based operating systems
- Move away from Windows and drive down costs
- Ensure security and facilitate greater customization

However, supporting Linux desktops in a physical world comes with its own set of challenges. Linux desktops can be complex and cumbersome to manage. They offer little or no intellectual property protection especially when it comes to remote, outsourced, or offshored workers. And the endpoints required to run Linux typically are pricey and drive up costs.

To overcome these challenges, many organizations have looked to desktop and application virtualization. But this solution has been largely reserved for Windows users. That is until now...

## Horizon 7 for Linux

With Horizon 7 for Linux, organizations can now extend the benefits of desktop and application virtualization to Linux users. Horizon for Linux centralizes desktop management and secures data in the data center while supporting end users with seamless access to Linux services across devices, locations, mediums, and connections. Furthermore, this solution allows organizations to move away from costly Windows licensing and to embrace low-cost endpoints to deliver the best possible total cost of ownership.

### Streamline Desktop Management

Horizon 7 for Linux allows IT administrators to leverage a single platform to entitle users and set policy for Linux and Windows desktops. This intuitive management interface allows IT to provision and manage desktops with a few easy clicks.

### Support Greater Productivity

Horizon for Linux supports a broad range of Linux options including Ubuntu, Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL), CentOS, and NeoKylin, ensuring that end users have easy access to all the Linux office applications they need to remain as productive as possible. Together with NVIDIA, Horizon for Linux additionally supports rich 3D graphics for developers and designers—to support even the most powerful and intensive use cases.

## Provide Fast, Easy Access

Leveraging the Linux operating system is inherently more secure, and by centrally managing the Linux image, apps, and files, Horizon for Linux ensures that organizations can better secure data and manage user access across devices and locations. With Horizon for Linux, end users can quickly and easily log in to their virtual session and enjoy a consistently great experience every single time.

## Linux Drives Cost Savings

Moving organizations beyond Windows, Horizon for Linux enables customers to reduce capital and operational expenditures by as much as 60 percent. Customers can lower costs by leveraging thin clients versus expensive laptops or workstations and by moving away from Microsoft licensing. They can also save when it comes to day-to-day operations.

## Make the Switch to Linux

Thousands of organizations are realizing the management, security, and cost benefits of Linux VDI. Horizon for Linux facilitates the transition to virtual desktops and applications and provides customers with a secure, easy-to-use, and cost-optimized solution.

## Find Out More

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For detailed product specifications and system requirements, refer to the Horizon 7 for Linux documentation.

