VMware Aria Operations for Networks
VMware Cloud Foundation Networking

At a glance

VMware Aria Operations for Networks delivers intelligent network operations for private cloud. VMware Aria Operations for Networks is available in VMware Cloud Foundation, a full-stack private cloud solution that combines the scale and agility of the public cloud with the security and performance of the private cloud. VMware Aria Operations for Networks is deployed on-premises. VMware Aria Operations for Networks helps customers build an optimized, highly available, and secure network infrastructure by accelerating application discovery, migration, network segmentation planning and deployment. The capabilities enable visibility across virtual and physical networks and provide operational views to manage and scale VMware Cloud Foundation network infrastructure.

VMware Cloud Foundation

VMware Aria Operations for Networks is only available as part of VMware Cloud Foundation.

VMware Aria Operations for Networks is not available as a standalone product.

Accelerate network visibility and troubleshooting across VMware Cloud Foundation

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Figure 1: VMware Aria Operations for Networks provides network planning and network visibility across VMware Cloud Foundation and adjacent networks.
VMware Cloud Foundation

VMware Cloud Foundation users need to monitor application dataflow for optimizing east-west and north-south traffic without challenging and time-consuming manual processes. VMware Cloud Foundation users also need converged visibility across virtual and physical networks to optimize performance.

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Simplify NSX Operations

VMware Aria Operations for Networks can help provide a network traffic assessment before deploying NSX. The details in the assessment can help users improve performance and availability with converged visibility across physical and virtual networks. Users can also simplify NSX operations management with an intuitive UI and natural language search to quickly pinpoint network issues and troubleshoot, as well as get best practices deployment and compliance recommendations.
VMware Cloud Foundation offering VMware Aria Operations for Networks

Key Benefits
Accelerate network segmentation planning and deployment with VMware
Audit changes to the security posture and ensure compliance
Troubleshoot quickly across virtual and physical network and security infrastructure
Manage and scale NSX deployments with confidence
Reduce business risk by mapping application dependencies during application migration planning
Accelerate performance of your business-critical applications by optimizing your network and eliminating bottlenecks
Operationalize Kubernetes and troubleshoot connectivity issues between containerized workloads

Network Assurance and Verification
VMware Aria Operations for Networks Assurance and Verification enables formal verification by using a unified mathematical model of how the network functions. This improves network performance with more proactive monitoring capabilities in comparison to typical reactive network monitoring. Business intent checks enable better network planning and troubleshooting, which result in the assurance of better uptime and network resiliency.

Use Cases
Network Monitoring and Troubleshooting

Networking
Gain network visibility for VMware Cloud Foundation where there are connections across NSX, and VMware HCX, connects with Kubernetes, VMware Cloud on AWS, Azure VMware Solution, Google Cloud VMware Engine, Oracle Cloud VMware Solution.
• Gain visibility between overlay and underlay networks
• Enable end-to-end troubleshooting, traffic, and path analytics
• Enable network assurance and verification
• Utilize guided network troubleshooting for intuitive root-cause analysis

Applications
• Enable application discovery and plan application migrations and use findings to work with VMware HCX to migrate applications
• Measure application latency and performance
• Reduce mean time to repair (MTTR) for application connectivity issues
• Optimize application performance by eliminating network bottlenecks
• Analyze traffic and apps across private cloud

Security
Plan application security with VMware NSX
• Plan security; recommend firewall policies and network segmentation apps, PCI compliance monitoring and compliance reporting
• Troubleshoot security for hybrid applications and designated crown jewels across virtual machines (VMs), containers and clouds
• Map dependencies to reduce risk during app migration
### Features

**VMware Aria Operations for Networks Enterprise**

- VMware Cloud Foundation network visibility and troubleshooting for vSphere, vCenter, NSX, HCX
- Network Assessment planning for VMware Cloud Foundation and NSX
- Security & Network Capacity Planning
- App-centric Flow-Based Network Troubleshooting and Analytics
- Path Visibility for Overlay Fabric and Underlay
- Day 2 Network Operations with Assurance and Verification
- VMware Cloud Network Visibility
- End-to-End Network Visibility Adjacent to VMware Cloud Foundation

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Visibility for VMware Tanzu® Kubernetes Grid™ Integrated Edition (Separate Tanzu purchase required), Kubernetes, and Red Hat OpenShift

Visibility of NSX Container Plug-in for OpenShift 4.x (Kubernetes cluster)

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**Path Visibility for Overlay Fabric and Underlay**
- NSX visibility over network fabric
- Physical flows (NetFlow v7 and v9, and sFlow)
- Network visibility of logical routing and switching

**Day 2 Network Operations with Assurance and Verification**
- Network Assurance and Verification
- Guided network troubleshooting
- Streaming databus to export information learned from the platform
- Network Map topology visualization
- Traffic path and redundant path analysis
- NSX Day 2 ops (topology view, health checklist, edge load balance dashboard)
- Public APIs to view and access network metrics
- Usability large-screen support
- VM and IP address network analysis

**VMware Cloud Network Visibility**
- VMware Cloud on AWS network visibility connected to VMware Cloud Foundation
- VMware Cloud on AWS Direct Connect network visibility connected to VMware Cloud Foundation
- VMware Cloud on AWS Outposts network visibility connected to VMware Cloud Foundation
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| Azure VMware Solution network visibility connected to VMware Cloud Foundation |
| Azure flow collection for security groups for network visibility connected to VMware Cloud Foundation |
| Google Cloud VMware Engine network visibility connected to VMware Cloud Foundation |
| Oracle Cloud VMware Solution network visibility connected to VMware Cloud Foundation |

**End-to-End Network Visibility Adjacent to VMware Cloud Foundation**
Visibility across third-party switches, routers, firewalls and load balancers

- Network device auto discovery
- ServiceNow integration for app discovery, issue resolution email
- Cisco Catalyst 9000 network map, VM-to-VM path, intent
- Cisco Application Centric Infrastructure (ACI) with network assurance and verification support
- Cisco BGP-EVPN underlay/overlay visibility
- Arista BGP-EVPN underlay/overlay visibility
- Juniper Ethernet VPN VM-to-VM path
- DNS resolution with Infoblox
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VMware Cloud Foundation webpage

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How to get started
VMware Cloud Foundation includes the offering VMware Aria Operations for Networks.

VMware offers global support to all VMware Aria Operations for Networks customers. For customers requiring additional services, VMware also offers professional services engagements on best practices and getting started with your deployment, both directly and through an extensive network of certified professionals: vmware.com/services.

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Summary
VMware Aria Operations for Networks is the offering within VMware Cloud Foundation for network visibility and network troubleshooting:
Use the solution to run a pre-deployment assessment of the network environment to understand the applications and network traffic in your VMware Cloud Foundation environment. Also use the assessment to prepare for a future NSX deployment. Use the solution to run Application Discovery to understand the application environment and which VMs are communicating with other VMs. Use the solution in Day 2 operations for network topology and metrics visualization.

Please visit VMware Aria Operations for Networks - Network Monitoring Tool - VMware