



# HP StoreVirtual VSA Software

Virtual arrays for virtual servers—turn any Microsoft® or VMware virtualized server's internal or direct-attached storage into a virtual array, without the expense of added storage hardware

HP StoreVirtual VSA Software, based on the LeftHand operating system, helps customers gain the benefits of a fully featured array without dedicated external storage. Most virtualized server environments require shared storage for high availability, as well as application data, and storage solutions should be as highly available as the VMs. With a comprehensive feature set, the StoreVirtual VSA is optimized for virtual environments and is a flexible shared storage solution that scales as needed. The ability to use existing server, DAS and SAN hardware within your environment greatly increases storage utilization and reduces costs associated with dedicated external storage. Built-in high-availability and disaster recovery features enhance server virtualization capabilities to deliver better business continuity. Straightforward and simple administration is provided by a management console that allows the administrator to manage all LeftHand OS-based nodes, physical and virtual, regardless of their physical location.

## Key features and benefits

### Virtualized shared storage for a variety of environments

- Transform the internal storage of your VMware vSphere and Microsoft Hyper-V servers into fully featured shared storage for applications and virtual environments. The StoreVirtual VSA software delivers the scalability and high availability of HP LeftHand arrays to the S of the SMB.
- Extend the life of your existing servers by virtualizing your environment and using StoreVirtual VSA to convert your server resources into a new tier of storage, or even storage for your testing sandbox.
- Use StoreVirtual VSA with solid-state drives (SSDs) in your ProLiant servers and blades to provide a high-performance tier for your storage environment. Data volumes that reside on SSD nodes can be migrated to and from both physical and virtual LeftHand clusters, online.
- HP P4500 Virtualization SAN and Multi-site SAN, each include VSA licenses at no extra charge. Now you can deliver the dedicated performance required for your main site and provide fully featured shared storage and disaster recovery for your smaller sites.
- Start small and grow big: Avoid up front storage costs by using VSA on existing disk storage today; then move to a physical LeftHand array as your storage needs evolve. StoreVirtual VSA seamlessly migrates all data to any LeftHand array with Peer Motion functionality.

### Affordable enterprise functionality with comprehensive feature set

- Scale-out storage clustering allows the consolidation of multiple virtual storage nodes into pools of shared storage. All available capacity and performance is aggregated and accessible to every volume in the cluster. As storage needs increase StoreVirtual VSA can scale out while remaining online.
- Network RAID stripes and protects multiple copies of data across a cluster of storage nodes, eliminating any single point of failure in the StoreVirtual VSA array. Applications have continuous data availability in the event of a disk, controller, storage node, power, network, or site failure.
- Multi-site SAN availability gives the StoreVirtual VSA the ability to assign storage nodes in the cluster to different sites (racks, rooms, buildings, and cities) and provide seamless application high availability with transparent failover/failback across sites—all automatically.
- Reservationless snapshots and thin provisioning allocate space only as data is written without requiring pre-allocation of storage, raising the overall utilization and efficiency of HP LeftHand-based arrays. Snapshots create thinly provisioned, instant point-in-time backups of data on a per-volume basis.
- StoreVirtual VSA is tightly integrated with storage management functions of VMware and Microsoft applications. For instance, the LeftHand Remote Copy feature enables centralized backup and disaster recovery on a per-volume basis and leverages application integrated snapshots for faster recovery.

### Simple to deploy, easy to manage

- **Zero to VSA automated installation**  
Simple and quick wizard-driven installation. Scriptable installs allow automated repeatable deployment of VSA configurations.
- **Install easily on any vSphere or Hyper-V server**  
This includes over 100 HP ProLiant rack and server blades.
- **No external SAN required**  
Create shared storage out of internal or external disk capacity (DAS, SAN; FC or iSCSI).
- **Simplified management**  
All StoreVirtual VSA nodes in your environment, onsite, or across multiple sites, are managed from the Centralized Management Console (CMC) for simple, easy-to-manage storage. The CMC features a simple, built-in best practice analyzer and easy-to-use update process.
- **Use the trial version**  
You can download a full-functional copy of VSA and get some hands-on time to see how easy it is to use.

### The total package—solution value statements

- Gain the benefits of a SAN without requiring a physical SAN infrastructure as StoreVirtual VSA turns hypervisor attached storage into a virtual iSCSI storage.
- Take advantage of advanced hypervisor features such as VMware vMotion and Microsoft Live Migration, which require shared storage.
- Enables a disaster recovery solution for remote or branch offices that do not have budget, space, or power for a traditional SAN.

### The total package—software

- Deploy easily and control using simple management console
- Run on any server certified with VMware vSphere or Microsoft Hyper-V
- Scale storage by clustering disks in multiple servers into single pool of storage
- Replicate data synchronously across disks for redundancy with Network RAID
- Asynchronous replication for data replication to remote sites
- Application Integrated Snapshot capability for data protection
- Thin provisioning for efficient storage utilization

### The total package—service

#### Service and support, HP Care Pack, and warranty information services included with the product

HP StoreVirtual VSA includes three-year HP Software Support, standard 9x5 business hours phone support (software technical support and software product and documentation updates), and a 90-day media replacement-only warranty. Including software updates and comprehensive support enhances the performance and availability of your software. Experienced Response Center engineers provide trustworthy advice on issues such as software features and use, problem diagnosis and resolution, and software defect identification.

### Software licensing terms

License keys enable all features of the HP StoreVirtual VSA, including storage clustering, managed snapshots, and remote copy. The full 10 TB capacity of each VSA is available with the standard license key. Keys are required for each individual VSA instance.

### For increased uptime, productivity, and ROI—HP Care Pack packaged services for storage

These days, you need to get the most out of your storage investment—you can't afford not to. When you buy HP storage products and solutions, it's also a good time to think about what levels of service and support you may need. To help take the worry out of deploying, designing, maintaining, and managing your environment, we've designed a portfolio of service options that are as flexible, reliable, and scalable as your storage. Unlike storage-only vendors, we take a holistic approach to your entire environment, bridging storage, servers, blades, software, and network infrastructures with our HP Care Pack packaged services for storage.

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### Technical specifications

<b>Hardware support</b>	Runs on all HP ProLiant or third-party servers and c-Class server blades certified with VMware ESX or Microsoft Hyper-V
<b>Warranty standard statement</b>	3-year HP software support standard; 9x5 business hours phone support (software technical support and software product and documentation updates)
<b>QuickSpecs</b>	<a href="http://h18000.www1.hp.com/products/quickspecs/13255_div/13255_div.pdf">http://h18000.www1.hp.com/products/quickspecs/13255_div/13255_div.pdf</a>

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### **HP Storage Services: offering reliability, flexibility, and value—just like your storage**

HP Storage Services offers a full spectrum of customer care, from technology support to complex migrations to completely managed services. HP Factory Express provides customization, integration and deployment services for turnkey solutions. HP Education offers flexible, comprehensive training on storage networking, disk storage systems, and storage software to help your IT staff get the most out of your investments. And HP Financial solutions extend innovative financing and asset management programs to cost-effectively buy, manage and eventually retire your older equipment.

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## **Service and support**

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## HP Services

Tap into the HP support services advantage, backed by the strategic and technical know-how of our consulting experts—for a single source solution that makes the most of your investments. Depending on your individual support requirements, choose from three levels of care that cover the entire lifecycle to better address your needs:

**Optimized Care:** delivers best performance and stability through deployment and proactive management practices

- HP Installation and Startup Service for LeftHand Storage
- HP Critical Advantage Level 3<sup>1</sup>

Or

3-year HP Critical Service

**Optional related services:** HP Storage Data Migration; HP Proactive Select

**Standard Care:** maintains high level of uptime, along with expert help to cut the cost and complexity of implementation and support

- HP Installation and Startup Service for LeftHand Storage
- HP Critical Advantage Level 2<sup>1</sup>

Or

3-year HP Proactive 24 Service

**Optional related services:** HP Storage Data Migration; HP Proactive Select

**Basic Care:** Minimum recommended support

- HP Installation and Startup Service for LeftHand Storage
- 3-year HP Support Plus 24
- Plus, 30 Proactive Select credits

**Optional related services:** HP Storage Data Migration; HP Proactive Select

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<sup>1</sup> For storage used by business critical applications running on virtualized and x86 infrastructures

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