



CloudBolt

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Product Recap



CloudBolt

CloudBolt Recap

CloudBolt supports a variety of cloud technologies, from on-premises virtualization and private cloud to a wide range public and hybrid cloud configurations.

No need to rip-and-replace. CloudBolt provides easy import, syncing, and management of legacy deployments even as it helps you build out new cloud environments.

CloudBolt lets administrators create and maintain configuration standards while developing a reusable library of service and application templates.

Valuable Features

Excerpts from real customer reviews on PeerSpot:



“I find the self-service features valuable.”



AdeolaEkunola

Director at NIGERCUBES LTD



“The initial deployment was super easy.”



Adalberto Barbosa Da Costa Lobato

Cloud Solutions Architect at gwcloud.company



“The solution's biggest advantage is flexibility”



Verified user

Manager- Automation Engineering at a computer software company with 11-50 employees



“Hybrid cloud platform for VM and app deployment and management, with very good stability. It's customizable, easy to set up, and can be deployed within half an hour.”



Sameer Gusain

Technical Lead at Sopra Steria



“Role-based access control and application blueprinting.”



AbhishekGupta3

Solutions Specialist | Product Manager - Cloud & Data Center Services at Hexaware Technologies Limited

What users had to say about valuable features:

“Cost management is a valuable feature, but the solution's biggest advantage is flexibility. There is a standard framework that CloudBolt provides, but if I'm good with Python, I can tweak it and make it better. I can customize it easily..”

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“The VMware feature is pretty valuable. The role-based access control is valuable. The application blueprinting is something which is really helpful. And the wide support of the cloud provider is something which has also been really helpful. The number of integrations which the product provides out of the box is really helpful..”

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“I find the self-service features valuable. In a virtual environment, you don't get that cloud experience. When creating something close to a cloud experience, you need a cloud platform like CloudBolt. Another benefit of using CloudBolt is how it helps with resource control. It helps with resource control, such as with network storage in any infrastructure. Another valuable feature is in the application deployment and customization..”

AdeolaEkunola

Director at NIGERCUBES LTD

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“CloudBolt's simple to understand framework allows current IT resources to easily automate the entire lifecycle of VM using predefined hook points. The way CloudBolt intuitively placed the ability to implement plugins, remote scripts, webhooks, or actions directly within the product is awesome! You can upload, use github (or http link), or just edit the code right inside the GUI. With CloudBolt we could easily modify our code during the evaluation and development phases and see the results in seconds..”

Verified user

Product Manager at a media company with 5,001-10,000 employees

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“There are two valuable features we like about CloudBolt. First, we can manage multiple clouds and the on-premises infrastructure on CloudBolt.

The second valuable feature is that we can do customization on the platform. For example, during a deployment, there's a default team on CloudBolt, and we have an agreement with them as their partner, that we can customize the logo, the icon, etc. for our customers. We can put the Sopra Steria logo, or we can customize features on CloudBolt, etc..”

Sameer Gusain

Technical Lead at Sopra Steria

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“The flexibility to provide hook points into any step of the provisioning process as well as the ability to customize and extend reporting, dashboards and server tabs to provide additional information to the end user. No other product we've tested has such comprehensive capabilities natively built in. 5 minute upgrades are the norm. Five minor and one major update later the alphas are almost as rock solid as the GA releases.

Update: The flexibility and speed to deliver new features is definitely the best thing about this company..”

Verified user

Technical Advisor at a hospitality company with 10,001+ employees

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Other Solutions Considered

“We checked other solutions that worked on multiple clouds, though I can't remember the names. Out of the box, we found CloudBolt to be the top platform..”

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“We have used vRA for the last year and a half for all of our orchestration. Delivery time, upgrade time and complexity is reduced by 95% and required zero PSO dollars to get setup and to get integrated with all major providers and configuration managers. Finally vRA doesn't support Google, which was the keystone technology for the project..”

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“Yes, we previously used another cloud management system. This product offered excellent governance, but supporting of the all the components that are not seamlessly integrated required a lot of expertise and time to understand. On one occasion I remember spending 3-4 hours with support just looking for the right logs..”

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“We were analyzing a couple of solutions and switched to CloudBolt. The features and capability of CloudBolt were one of the major reason for switching. We looked at VMware vRealize, and Cisco CloudCenter was another potential option. Those are the major ones. We were looking for different possibilities for our customers and I wanted to get into the features and understand how both of the tools works so we could complete a comparative analysis. .”

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ROI

Real user quotes about their ROI:

“Over a 3 year span, cost savings is projected to be is almost 60% at current scale. From a delivery standpoint, over 50% faster delivery and 95% less touch points..”

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“We were able to save enough from reduced support cost associated with maintaining and operating our previous cloud management platform within \months to pay for CloudBolt..”

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“We have seen a return on investment after using CloudBolt. We wanted it as an alternate solution and picked it up with pressure from the admin team and the engineers. We wanted something useful for self-service, and it was a good option. The solution serves as the primary object in going for it..”

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“I have not completed anything big or successful with the solution, but I see its advantages. There will be an ROI depending on how people work today. If people have the tool, they also have automation built in. They get a request, then click a button and do it. For them, it's not a big ROI. But there is a lot of ROI for people who do a lot of manual stuff..”

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“Very high, but not constrained to just CloudBolt. We implemented puppet and Infoblox at the same time, and the combination of self-service, automatic IPAM, and config mgmt has delivered environments full of VMs ready for applications that are infinitely more consistent and provisioned in 30 minutes or less where it took several JIRA tickets, inter-team handoffs, and a few weeks to deliver manually. .”

Verified user

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Use Case

“We used the solution to manage a pretty substantial financial institution’s IaaS infrastructure. We were also using it to manage the infrastructure as a service of a government area. It was pretty good..”

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“One use case for CloudBold is creating blueprint templates for multiple clouds. Another is cost management or optimization. There is a piece that comes along with CloudBolt called Kumolus, and there is a lot of interest in that side of cost management..”

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“Our primary use case for this product is for a mixed set of services, including providing IT, multi-cloud management, single pane of glass control panel, providing metering and charge-back capability, role-based access control, and other things. It's a long list. My focus specifically is with regard to the data center and cloud. Enterprise businesses are using this solution.

We use this solution ourselves as well as for our clients. We're a partner with CloudBolt and I am a solution specialist/product manager of cloud and data center services..”


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“CloudBolt is very useful for a customer currently using the multi-cloud model, and wants to manage everything on a single console, e.g. GCP, AWS, Azure, or their VMware infrastructure.

There are also multiple things we can do through CloudBolt which are important. One thing we can do is to schedule power on and power shutdown so those processes are automated. I was able to implement it even in the trial version of the platform. They have a free trial for some servers where the license is not required, so I implemented it on my test environment and that worked fine with me.

Another thing we can use CloudBolt for is VM deployment on the cloud. We need to install the Ansible tower and configure it, but through CloudBolt, we can deploy everything on the cloud..”

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Setup

The setup process involves configuring and preparing the product or service for use, which may include tasks such as installation, account creation, initial configuration, and troubleshooting any issues that may arise. Below you can find real user quotes about the setup process.

“The initial setup is not difficult in the sense that you need a very highly skilled person to do it. The initial setup is a long process with many steps to do it. It's time-consuming to set up and build the solution. By contrast, deploying the solution doesn't take much time, and it's simple..”

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“Initial setup was straightforward. Deployment took about two hours and required one person to implement. We have about four or five people dealing with maintenance. I carried out the deployment and there are about 15 people in the company using the solution. .”

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“The CloudBolt ova was deployed in under 30 minutes, including importing all virtual servers from previous deployments. Within 3 days we had our production instance of CloudBolt achieve feature parity with our previous cloud management solution of 1.5 years..”

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“It was a straightforward setup. As mentioned above, we did some custom scripts for integrations to Puppet, modified their Infoblox scripts to suit our needs, as well as implemented Microsoft DNS integration for some environments. These were a bit more complex, but well within the ability of our Python scripters given the supplied examples and answers from CB on some of the finer points..”

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“Extremely simple. From soup to nuts it took 30 minutes to setup. About a day to get everything configured and documented, 2 minutes to do an upgrade and about another 2 weeks to have everything integrated with full stack provisioning in all our current offerings plus 2 additional clouds. We have been spending a great deal of the extra time we saved on the project working on more features and refactoring our Chef builds to deploy even quicker..”

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“The deployment process is straightforward, and we have proper documentation online. After deploying the solution, we tailor it to our taste. After deployment, if we want to integrate it with virtualized on-premises infrastructure and our multi-cloud infrastructures, we create sections or different groups of users and give them access to the resources we want them to be limited to.

We took a week to deploy the solution, but the greenlight took a month or two. After deployment, we went to the test phases. Then, after the test phases, the solution went for generic users and the organization..”

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Director at NIGERCUBES LTD

Customer Service and Support

“I have not raised any support ticket with CloudBolt, but during the initial phase, we had some concerns, so CloudBolt assigned a solution architect for us, and he has cleared our concerns..”

Sameer Gusain

Technical Lead at Sopra Steria

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Customer Service:

Very good. They have been very responsive and are very open and quick to implement product improvements.

Technical Support:

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Customer Service:

You can tell the CloudBolt staff loves what they do. Customer service is just amazing.

Technical Support:

Blazing fast responses, usually within hours, and if the problem persisted they were readily available to jump on call or Webex to resolve the issue.

The Documentation is excellent and very short. You can read every bit in about an hour..”

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Customer Service:

World class. I have personally opened over 1000+ Tickets since November (90+% were RFE's which have been ADDED into current releases since 5.2) and every single one was met with a helpful attitude and usually resolution on the first reply and if it wasn't a WebEx soon followed. Always received a reply same day within a couple of hours for the minor and low priority tickets.

Update: Excellent as always.

Technical Support:

Hands down, best out of every vendor we use across any vertical in our business. They are extremely helpful and quick to respond as well as help with suggestions and workarounds for anything that can't be fixed that moment.

Update: Nothing but the best..”

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Other Advice

“The platform works as it's supposed to. It's really fast. I would recommend the solution to others. I used three other cloud management tools. Overall, I can confidently rate the product a ten out of ten..”

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“The documentation provided on this solution is quite easy to follow and what they provide is enough to be able to deploy the solution.

I would rate this solution an eight out of 10. .”

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“Any user considering CloudBolt should consider what they need in the long run, not just the structure. It's a good solution, but they must ensure it's what they want. We're looking at doing OpenStack after so many years with CloudBolt. Users must check if CloudBolt is what they want in the long run, but the short term might be good. For users who have a multi-cloud and want to manage the entire infrastructure from one pane of glass, CloudBolt is a go-to solution. I rate CloudBolt a seven out of ten..”

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“I highly suggest this product. As someone who has worked with just about every orchestration and CMP tool out there, this one has the most potential and best falls in line with a devops/agile mentality not only from a product offering standpoint but from a product development standpoint. I like the fact they keep it simple and extensible and the amount they functionally grow this product between releases is very pretty impressive.

Update: A year later with a few PSO engagements under our belt to get some priorities out of the door quickly and I couldn't be happier. The regular pace of service is phenomenal, the PSO engagements have been comprehensive and delivered quickly and with the quality of a GA even in it's alpha form..”

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“We were going to suggest CloudBolt to our customers who are on the multi-cloud

model, and we have an agreement with CloudBolt, but we have not implemented it yet for our customers. I have personal experience with CloudBolt, though.

The version of the platform which we're using is two or three versions older. We are business partners of CloudBolt. We have had an agreement with them for eight to ten months, but previously our agreement with them was for over one year.

One person is enough for CloudBolt maintenance.

I would recommend CloudBolt to anyone who is on the multi-cloud model. I'm rating CloudBolt eight out of ten..”

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“I've contacted customer support many times, but I have access to their tech team since we are partners. I've not gone through their support channel. I have a direct hook to them. We have regular meetings where we talk about problems and get answers to them.

If somebody's using the solution for the first time, it's good if the system gives a demo. When you come up, the solution could go "click here, set this up, click here, set this up," and walk you through the steps until you are an expert that needs to be there. There is a setting in the configuration, and sometimes I enable it. That way, when people log in, the solution walks you through that. "First configure the cloud, and then configure this..." It'll walk you through the steps to do it. If CloudBolt has some videos or something I've not seen recently, people can watch the video to go through the steps instead of messing up.

I rate CloudBolt a five out of ten..”

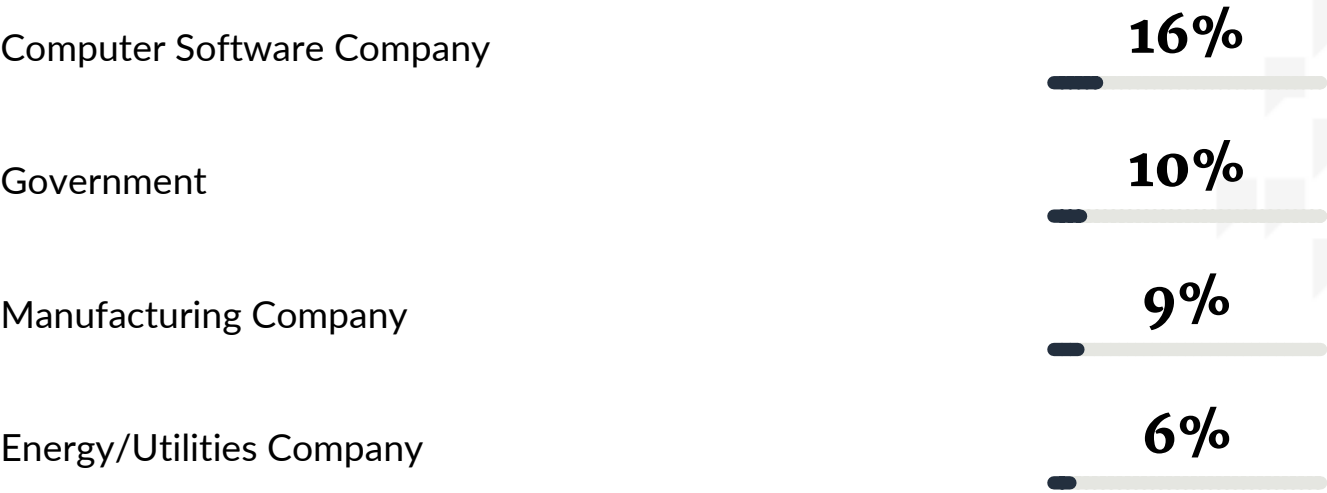
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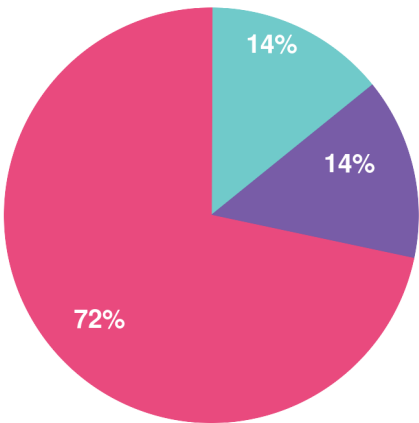
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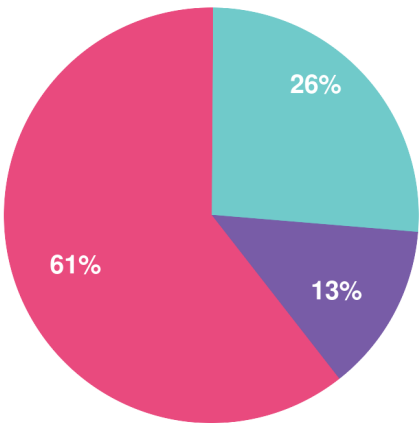


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