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BuyVM

The Insider's Guide

Low-cost KVM VPS slices with unmetered bandwidth and block storage



Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among web hosts, read from BuyVM's own pages.

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ToolGPA put this guide together from BuyVM's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on BuyVM's page too, where it is kept up to date. Checked Nov 13, 2026.

Welcome

What it is, who it suits, its grades and the ten things to know first

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GPA, above 29 of the 122 other web hosts we grade

BuyVM, a division of Cloudzy, sells KVM virtual servers it calls slices, plus block storage, storage VPS and DDoS protection in Las Vegas, New York and Luxembourg. A DirectAdmin license is included with every service, and prices start at $24 a year for the smallest slice.

To get you started, here are **8 things to know about BuyVM**, taken from its own pages and our grades.

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> **Unmanaged servers you set up and secure yourself.**
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> From our grade for ease of use

1 **Best for low-cost unmanaged KVM slices**

Slices are unmanaged and the cheaper ones share CPU, and DDoS protection, backups and managed databases cost extra.

2 **Paid plans start at $2 a month when paid by the year**

As its pricing page puts it: $24.00 per year (Slice 512).

3 **It runs on Web**

Web.

4 **KVM slices**

Virtual servers described as dedicated slices, running Linux, BSD or Windows with SSD storage and unmetered bandwidth.

5 **Block storage slabs**

Add-on block storage is sold from $1.25 a month for 256 GB of HDD and can be attached for backups, media or a self-built object store.

6 **Free DirectAdmin license**

A DirectAdmin control panel license comes with every service, alongside the Softaculous installer and Blesta billing panel as free software.

7 **A 1.8 GPA, above 29 of 122**

That is against the other web hosts we grade, on value, the free plan, features, ease of use and platforms.

8 **Your call**

BuyVM sits between: not beyond making, and not a weekend's work either.

BuyVM at a glance

PRICING Paid, from $24.00 per year (Slice 512)	FREE PLAN No
FREE TRIAL None stated	RUNS ON Web
MADE BY BuyVM (a division of Cloudzy)	CATEGORY Web Hosting
OUR GRADE 1.8 GPA, weak	

The report card

Best for low-cost unmanaged KVM slices

BuyVM sells KVM slices from $24 a year, with block storage and three locations. Slices are unmanaged and the cheaper ones share CPU, and DDoS protection, backups and managed databases cost extra.

TOOLGPA REPORT CARD	BuyVM	Graded Nov 13, 2026

SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	A	Slice 512 is $24 a year, or $2 a month, and Slice 1024 is $3.50 a month, both under the $5 cheaper-quarter start.
Free plan and trial	F	No free plan and no trial on the pages read, so you pay from day one.
Features	C	KVM slices, block storage, a free DirectAdmin license and a control panel. Only three locations, and backups and DDoS protection are add-ons.
Ease of use	D	Unmanaged servers you set up and secure yourself.
Platforms and integrations	C	Web panel only, with no integrations listed.
Grade point average		Weak, out of 4.0 **1.8**

An A is worth 4 points, a B 3, a C 2, a D 1 and an F nothing. The GPA is the average of the five.

Who BuyVM is for

- ✓ Fits if you want a cheap Linux VPS and can run it yourself
- ✓ Works for small projects that need block storage

Who it is not for

- ✗ Not for you if you want help running the server, as slices are unmanaged
- ✗ Watch out: Slice 512 to 2048 share CPU, and only the 4096 slice lists dedicated CPU
- ✗ Pricey if you add DDoS protection, managed databases or nightly backups, all paid add-ons
- ✗ Skip it if you need many locations, as there are three

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ Developers who want a very cheap self-managed VPS
- ✓ Backups or media storage that pairs a small server with block storage
- ✓ Users who want DirectAdmin included at no extra cost

Worth knowing

- ⓘ The cheapest slice is billed yearly, and the others are billed monthly.
- ⓘ The Slice 512 to 2048 plans share CPU on a fair-share basis; only the 4096 slice lists dedicated CPU usage.
- ⓘ DDoS protection, managed databases and nightly backups are paid add-ons.
- ⓘ The shared hosting page linked from the product list returned a page-not-available message when read, so only VPS pricing is recorded.

PART 02 · PRICING

What it costs

Every plan, the free plan, ways to pay less and how prices have moved

$2

A month to start, paid by the year

BuyVM is a paid product, starting at $24.00 per year (Slice 512).

> **No free plan and no trial on the pages read, so you pay from day one.**

From our grade for free plan and trial

SLICE 512

$24.00

per year

1 core at 3.50+ GHz on fair-share CPU, 512 MB memory, 10 GB SSD, unmetered bandwidth and 1 IPv4 address.

SLICE 1024

$3.50

per month

1 core on fair-share CPU, 1024 MB memory, 20 GB SSD, unmetered bandwidth and 1 IPv4 address.

SLICE 2048

$7.00

per month

1 core on fair-share CPU, 2048 MB memory, 40 GB SSD, unmetered bandwidth and 1 IPv4 address.

SLICE 4096

$15.00

per month

1 core with dedicated CPU usage, 4096 MB memory, 80 GB SSD, unmetered bandwidth and 1 IPv4 address.

HIGH-VOLUME VPS

$30.00

per month and up

From 2 cores, 8 GB memory and 160 GB SSD at an unlimited 1000 Mbps; larger sizes are $45 and $60 a month.

Read from buyvm.net on Nov 13, 2026.

What it does

Its main features, where it runs, what it works with and who makes it

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Place it runs: Web

Low-cost KVM VPS slices with unmetered bandwidth and block storage. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: databases, file management.

> **KVM slices, block storage, a free DirectAdmin license and a control panel.**

From our grade for features

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Stallion control panel

BuyVM's own panel is used to manage servers, and the site lists a wiki and a community Discord for help.

DDoS protection

Protection of 3500Gbps and more is sold as a paid add-on, along with managed database servers and nightly backups.

Three locations

Servers are offered in Las Vegas, New York and Luxembourg.

Where it runs

Web

What it works with

Its own pages name no integrations.

BuyVM is made by BuyVM (a division of Cloudzy).

PART 04 · STANDING

Where it stands

Its grades against its category, and whether to keep it or make your own

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Other web hosts it is graded above

BuyVM's GPA of 1.8 is higher than 29 of the 122 other web hosts we grade, and level with 19.

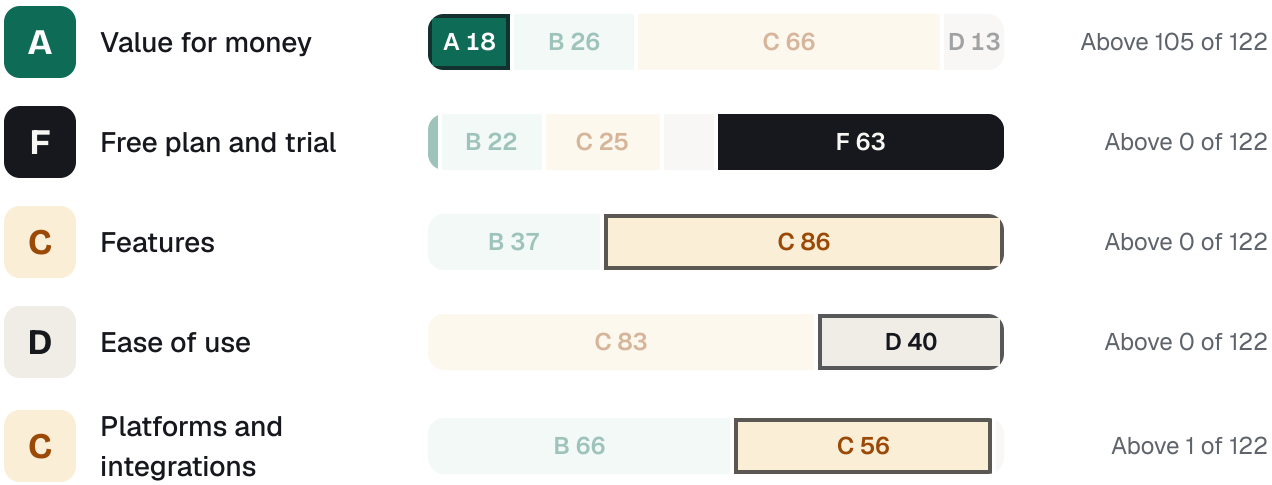
It stands best on value for money (A, above 105 of 122) and worst on free plan and trial (F, above 0).

Its paid plans start at $2 a month when paid by the year, against a middle price of $9.69 for the category: 7 of the 107 others that charge start lower.

On features, ease of use and platforms it scores 1.7 out of 4. 8 tools score higher and cost less.

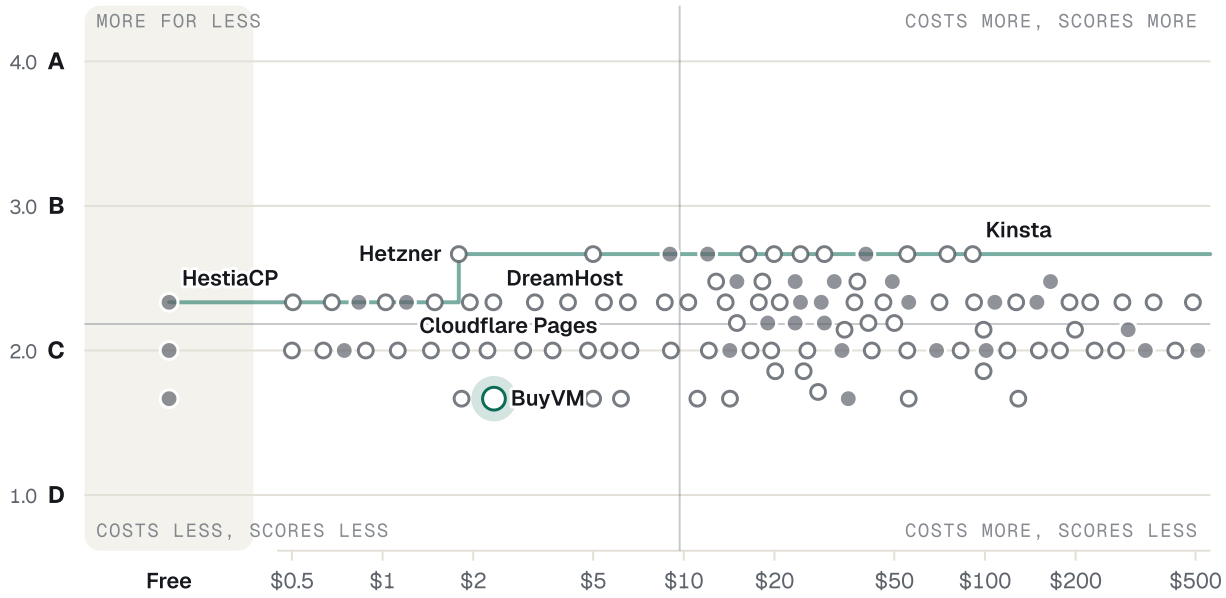
Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 123 web hosts we grade, cut by the letter each got. BuyVM's own letter is outlined.



Price against what you get

Each dot is one of 111 web hosts. Further left costs less; higher up scores better on features, ease of use and platforms. BuyVM is the marked dot.



What paid plans start at, a month (each step along is roughly double)

Keep it, or make your own?

Whether this is something you could build for yourself with an AI app builder, and what you would give up.

Your call

BuyVM sits between: not beyond making, and not a weekend's work either.

What you would give up is listed below. Whether that is worth the price is your call. At $24 a year it costs less than the weekend it would take to replace, which is the argument for keeping it.

What you could make

- It runs in a browser, which is where something home-made would run too.

What you could not

- Databases with views, filters and links between them.

- A file manager working directly on your disk.

What this rests on. BuyVM's listing: what it does, where it runs, what it plugs into and what it costs. It is a judgement about the kind of software this is. We have not built a replacement for it, and making your own means looking after it too. How we decide, and every tool's verdict.

The alternatives

The tools it is most often weighed against, side by side



RackNerd, RamNode, Hetzner, Contabo and Vultr

The 5 tools BuyVM is most often weighed against, with where each one differs from it.

RackNerd

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From $21.99/yr

Low-cost KVM VPS, shared hosting and dedicated servers.

- BuyVM also covers file management.

BuyVM and RackNerd compared in full

RamNode

1.8 GPA

From $4/mo

Hourly-billed OpenStack cloud VPS, NVMe and storage servers.

- BuyVM also covers databases.

BuyVM and RamNode compared in full

Hetzner

2.4 GPA

From €1.60/mo

German hosting: web hosting, cloud servers and dedicated servers.

- BuyVM also covers databases and file management.
- Hetzner also covers file sharing.

BuyVM and Hetzner compared in full



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Contabo

From $5.28/mo

Low-priced VPS and dedicated servers from a German host.

- BuyVM also covers databases and file management.

BuyVM and Contabo compared in full



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Vultr

From $2.50/mo

Cloud servers, bare metal and GPUs billed hourly or monthly.

- BuyVM also covers databases and file management.

BuyVM and Vultr compared in full

Quick answers

The questions people ask about it, each answered in a line or two

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Questions, each answered in a line or two

The short version of everything above, for when you only need the answer. Each one is told in full in its part of the guide.

Is BuyVM free?

No. BuyVM is a paid product, starting at $24.00 per year (Slice 512).

How much does BuyVM cost?

BuyVM lists 5 plans. Slice 512: $24.00 per year.

What platforms does BuyVM work on?

BuyVM is available on Web.

Does BuyVM have an Android app?

No Android app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. BuyVM is listed for Web.

Does BuyVM have an iPhone app?

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Is BuyVM open source?

BuyVM is not described as open source on its own site, as read on Nov 13, 2026.

Who makes BuyVM?

BuyVM is made by BuyVM (a division of Cloudzy).

What are the alternatives to BuyVM?

The closest alternatives to BuyVM in our directory are RackNerd, RamNode, Hetzner, Contabo and Vultr.

How does BuyVM compare with other web hosts?

BuyVM's GPA of 1.8 is higher than 29 of the 122 other web hosts we grade, and level with 19.

Is BuyVM good value for money?

ToolGPA grades BuyVM A for value for money. Its paid plans start at $2 a month when paid by the year, against a middle price of $9.69 for the category: 7 of the 107 others that charge start lower.

Could I make my own version of BuyVM?

BuyVM sits between: not beyond making, and not a weekend's work either.

Where this guide comes from

The prices, plans, platforms and features were read from BuyVM's own pages on Nov 13, 2026, and the grades were given on Nov 13, 2026. Graded from this listing, whose facts were read from BuyVM's own pages on 13 November 2026. Not based on using the product, and shorter than our full reviews.

Every tool we list gets five grades, A to F, each with its reason, and a GPA that averages them. How each is decided is at toolgpa.com/grades. This guide is ToolGPA's own work; it is not made, paid for or approved by BuyVM (a division of Cloudzy). Prices change, so check buyvm.net before you buy.

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buyvm.net/kvm-dedicated-server-slices/

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Tools graded, in 95 categories

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Every grade, review and ranking on ToolGPA is our own judgement. No company can pay for a grade or change one. Every tool on the site has a guide like this one, free to download and pass on. It all lives at toolgpa.com.

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tools graded	categories	price changes on record	apps priced in 12 countries

What else is on toolgpa.com

BuyVM, kept up to date

Everything in this guide, with prices and grades as they are today

toolgpa.com/tools/buyvm

How grades are given

The rules behind every letter and every GPA

toolgpa.com/grades

Value charts

What each tool costs against what it scores, for every category

toolgpa.com/charts

Compare

Any two tools side by side, plan by plan

toolgpa.com/compare

Price changes

Every price rise and cut on record, each with its source

toolgpa.com/price-changes

Prices by country

What apps cost on the App Store in 12 countries

toolgpa.com/prices-by-country

Pay less

Every public discount: yearly billing, students, nonprofits

toolgpa.com/save

Keep or make

Which tools are worth paying for, and which you could build yourself

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