

# Rackspace Kubernetes -as-a-Service

Gain a highly available Kubernetes solution delivered as a service, with superior economics and ongoing operations and support.

Kubernetes is a powerful tool for automating and scaling containers, but it has significant technical challenges, and many organizations lack the skills and experience to overcome them. Rackspace® provides a managed and secure Kubernetes-as-a-Service solution. It supports operations of the entire technology stack — including containers and cluster application services. Rackspace automated, optimizes, and accelerates your Kubernetes — so you can focus on building and running your applications.

### **Experts Dedicated to Your Success**

Rackspace provides world-class expertise in open-source infrastructure, offering customers a single platform to deploy virtual machines, bare metal and containers side-by-side. Experts provide a 100 percent cloudagnostic Kubernetes experience — maximizing multi-cloud portability and avoiding vendor lock-in. Unlike most other providers, Rackspace fully operates the entire Kubernetes deployment, including infrastructure, to meet the needs of enterprises with hybrid cloud strategies.

# **Key Benefits**

Rackspace Kubernetes experts deliver the following high-performance benefits to your organization:

**Superior Economics:** Rackspace delivers container-based workloads at scale for the lowest cost available. Customers save up to 50 percent by using a managed Kubernetes service with multiple cost control options, including consuming the service in a pay-as-you-go model, allowing them to meet their opex and capex requirements. Our open-source technology stack eliminates licensing costs and vendor lock-in.

**Day 2 Operations:** Unlike most other providers, Rackspace offers ongoing operations and support, or "Day 2 Operations," which are critical to the success of a container-based digital transformation. Experts perform logging, monitoring, updates and zero-downtime upgrades, as well as patching and security hardening for Kubernetes, all managed cluster services and the node operating system.

**Enterprise-Grade Security:** Rackspace secures the technology stack from the infrastructure to the Kubernetes cluster, including containers running inside the cluster and additional services required to run applications.

**Multi-Cloud Portability:** Rackspace Kubernetes-as-a-Service meets the portability and interoperability standards of the Cloud Native Computing Foundation (CNCF), so it increases flexibility, reduces time-to-market and eliminates vendor lock-in.

**Reduced Complexity:** Rackspace eliminates the complexity of upgrades and updates, while keeping your environment current and available to support your business.

# **About Rackspace**

Rackspace is your trusted partner across cloud, applications, security, data and infrastructure.

- A leader in the 2018 Gartner Magic Quadrant for Public Cloud Infrastructure Managed Service Providers, Worldwide
- 3,000+ cloud experts
- Hosting provider for more than half of the Fortune 100
- 20+ years of hosting experience
- · Customers in 150+ countries
- Industry-leading service level agreements





# Fanatical Experience™

Experts on your side, doing what it takes to get the job done right. From first consultation to daily operations, Rackspace combines the power of always-on service with best-in-class tools and automation to deliver technology when and how you need it.

# **Services Delivered Your Way**

Rackspace delivers exceptional Kubernetes-as-a-Service support built on these strengths:

**Operational Expertise:** Rackspace has extensive open-source infrastructure experience, and only delivers features that are fully tested, validated and secure to meet your needs and scale.

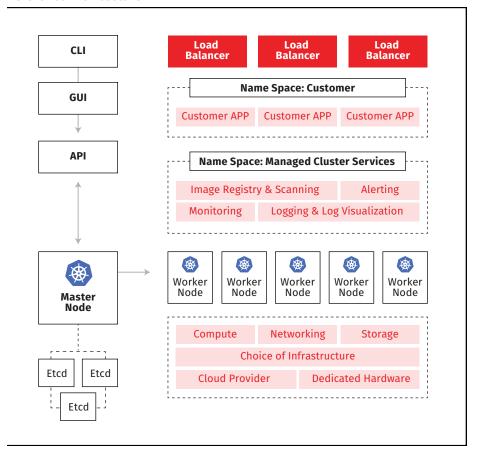
**Unmatched Experience:** Rackspace has over 1 billion server-hours of experience operating production-ready open-source clouds at scale. The company created the first OpenStack public Containers-as-a-Service offering, and has built and operated container environments for thousands of customers.

**CNCF Certification:** Rackspace is one of a select number of providers certified by the CNCF for its deep experience and expertise helping enterprises adopt Kubernetes.

**Operation, Monitoring and Maintenance:** Includes updates, zero-downtime upgrades, patching, security hardening, 24x7x365 access to Kuberetes-trained engineers and capacity planning.

**Installation and Managed Application Cluster Services:** Rackspace fully configures, tests and validates at enterprise scale.

# **Reference Architecture**



# Take the Next Step

Let's talk about how Rackspace Managed Kubernetes expertise helps you achieve your goals.

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