

How To Install Nagios Log Server 2024R2 With VMware Workstation

Purpose

This document describes how to to install Nagios Log Server 2024R2 within VMware Workstation Player.

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Important Note: The OVA is an excellent option for standalone/single instance setups. However, if your goal is to [add an instance](#) to an existing Log Server cluster, a [manual install](#) is required.

Download and install Nagios Log Server

1. Navigate to our [Nagios Log Server Product Download page](#).
2. Navigate to the **VMware** tab and click **Download Now**.

VMware Microsoft Linux

VMware

Note: Nagios Log Server was built to run natively on CentOS and Red Hat versions of Linux. You can use our prepackaged VM and install in VMware. We offer this pre-installed OVA file for quickly installing Log Server. Maintenance and support of underlying operating system or virtual machine architecture are the sole responsibility of the customer. Our OVA packages are not intended for offline environments.

VMware 64-bit .ova

This is the quickest way to get started using Nagios Log Server. Works with VMware, VirtualBox, and anything that can use OVF.

[Download Now](#) [View Installation Guide](#)

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3. While the OVA file is downloading, fill out the contact form to get the chance to receive fantastic resources on Nagios Log Server, helping you to get the most out of your trial.

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4. If you don't already have VMware Workstation Player installed on your system, scroll down to the **Getting Started** section where you can download VMware Workstation Player.

Getting Started

Open Virtualization Format

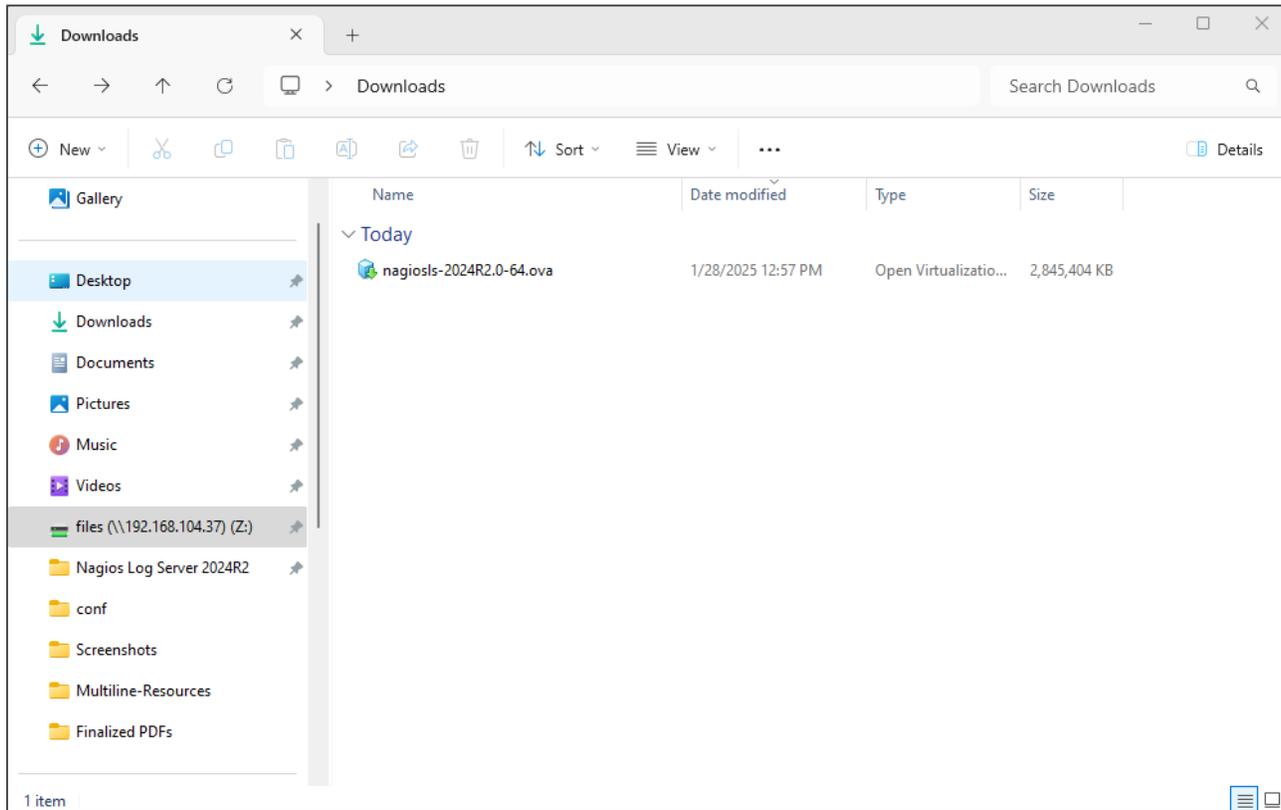
For an easy installation of Nagios Log Server on VMware, follow the steps outlined here.

If you're a visual learner, check out the step-by-step video guides below to get Log Server up and running in your web browser.

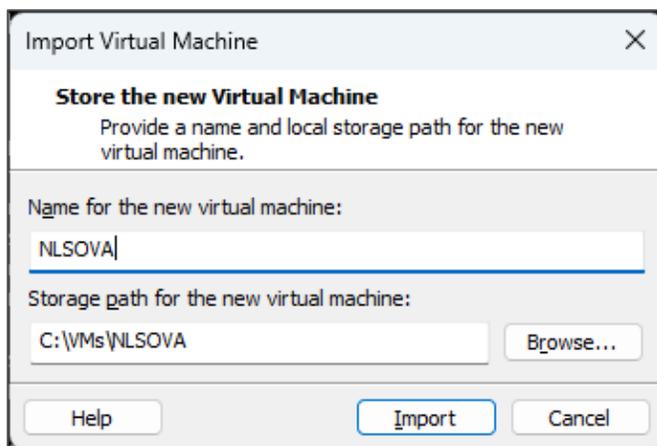
- 1 Open the Step-by-Step Installation Guide**
Install Log Server within VMware Workstation Player in less than 20 minutes with this guide outlining all the required steps.
- 2 Download VMware Workstation Player**
Since Log Server needs a virtual machine in order to run on Windows, you will need to download VMware Workstation Player below. Once you install VMware Workstation Player, you will be prompted to restart your computer.

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5. After VMware Workstation Player is installed, and the Nagios Log Server ZIP file has been downloaded and extracted, navigate to the extracted folder and double-click the OVA file.

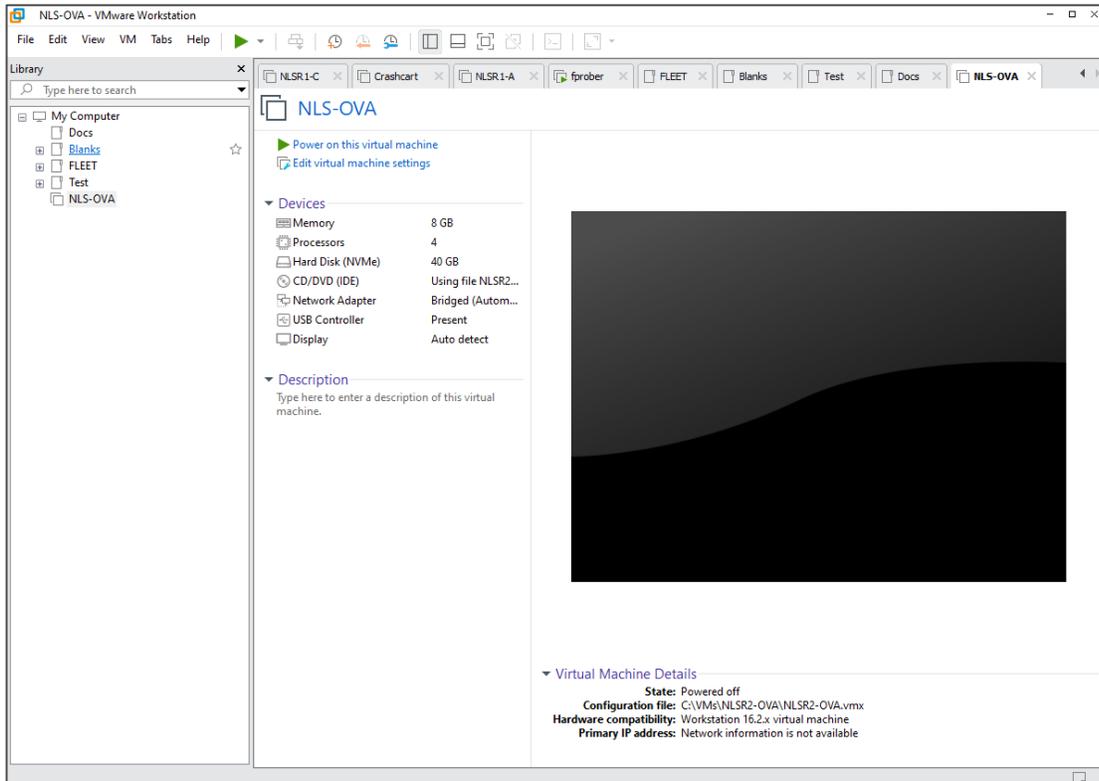


6. Provide a name and directory for the virtual hard disc for the new virtual machine and click **Import**.

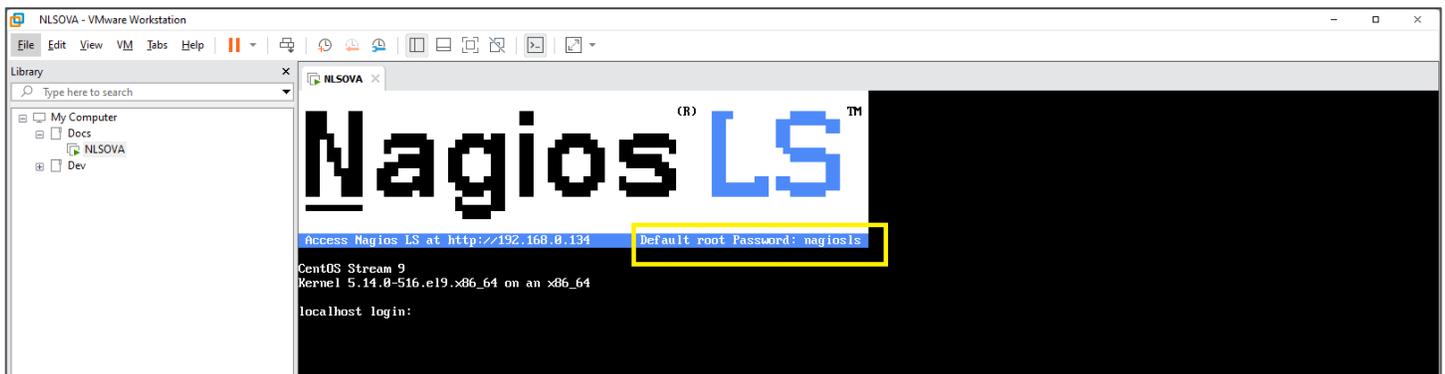


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7. After the OVA has been imported, you can edit the virtual machine settings if necessary, and power on the machine.



8. Once the virtual machine has booted you will be presented with the operating system console. The login credentials are highlighted in the screenshot above.



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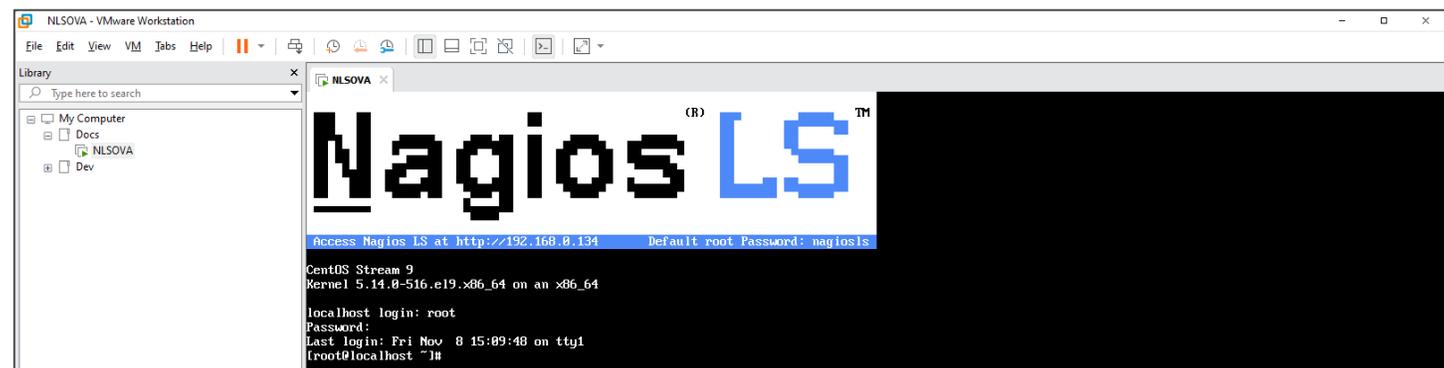
- Click in the window and type `root` for the login. Press **ENTER** on your keyboard. Keep in mind, when in the VMware Workstation Player your mouse will not be visible. To release your mouse, hold down **CTRL + ALT**. Your mouse will then become available to you. To type back in VMware Workstation Player, you will first have to click the window.



- Type `nagios1s` for the password. When typing you will not see the characters show up. When finished, press **ENTER** on your keyboard.



- The below screen will show up. It is important to note that your IP address will be different. Make sure you use the IP address shown in your VMware Workstation Player. This IP Address can be opened in your web browser to begin configuring Nagios Log Server.

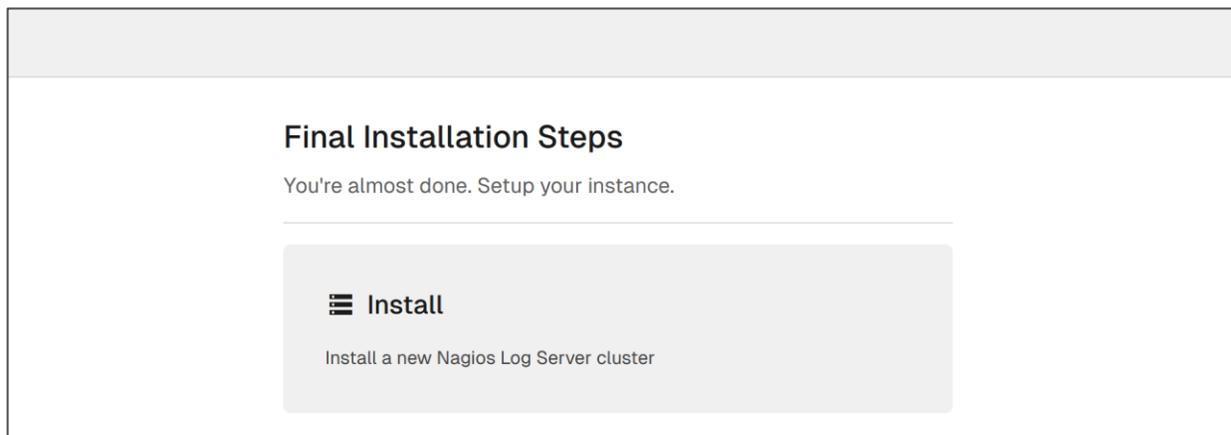


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Configure Nagios Log Server

You will be presented with the **Final Installation Steps** screen.

1. Select **Install** if this will be a single instance setup.
2. If your goal is to add an additional instance to an existing cluster, a manual install will be required. Please refer to the following Nagios Log Server documentation [Adding Additional Instances to Cluster](#) for detailed instructions.

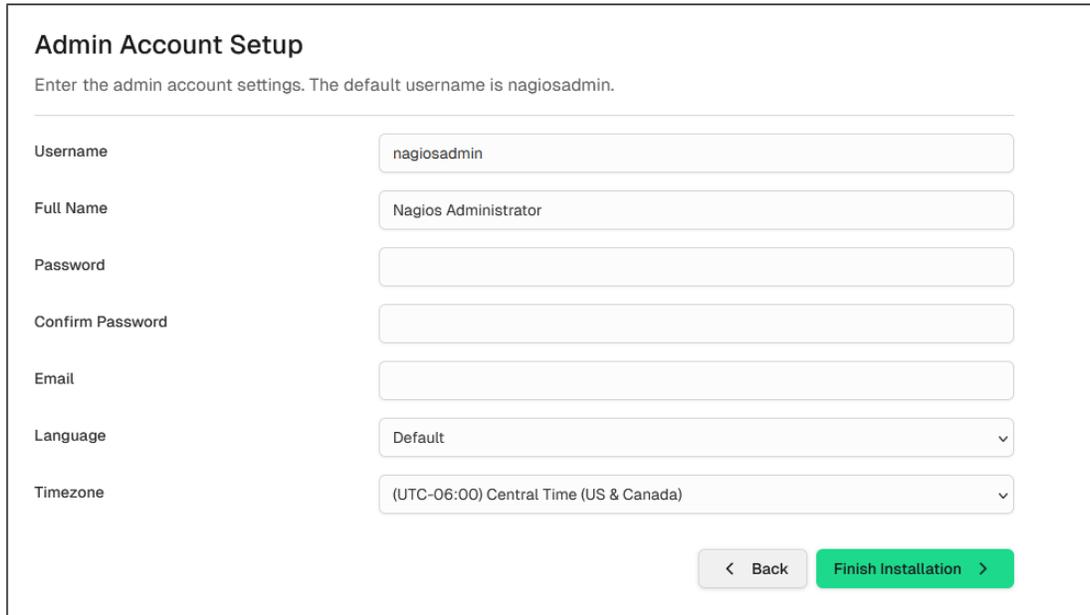


3. You will be presented with a page of fields that need to be populated before proceeding
4. If you have already purchased Nagios Log Server you can add your license key here, or choose the Free 30 day trial version:



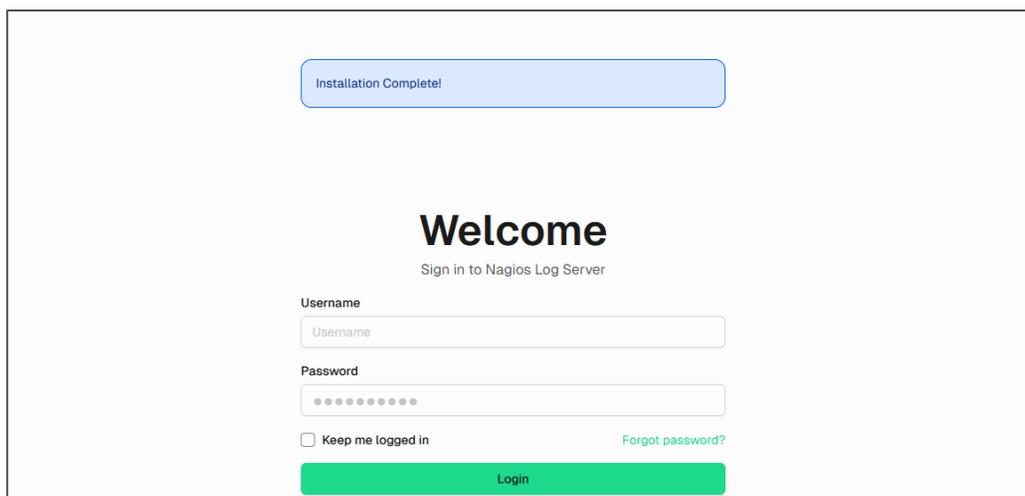
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5. Under **Admin Account Setup** please populate the fields as they are all required to continue. Be sure to enter a valid email address, in case for example a password reset is needed.



The screenshot shows the 'Admin Account Setup' form. At the top, it says 'Enter the admin account settings. The default username is nagiosadmin.' Below this are several input fields: 'Username' (pre-filled with 'nagiosadmin'), 'Full Name' (pre-filled with 'Nagios Administrator'), 'Password', 'Confirm Password', 'Email', 'Language' (pre-filled with 'Default'), and 'Timezone' (pre-filled with '(UTC-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada)'). At the bottom right, there are two buttons: a grey 'Back' button and a green 'Finish Installation' button.

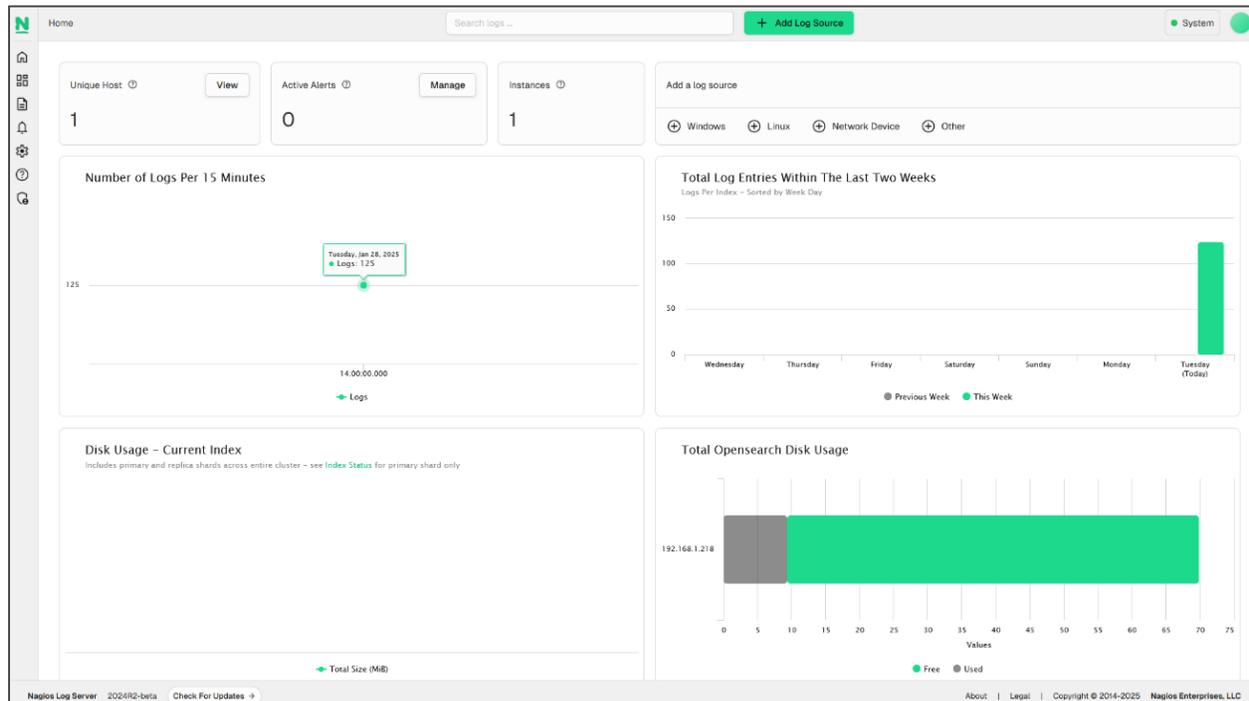
6. Once you are ready click **Finish Installation** to save these settings
7. Please wait while the settings are applied to the server. Once complete you will be presented with the Login screen with the status of **Installation Complete**.
8. Type the username and password to log in to Nagios Log Server and then click the **Login** button to begin.



The screenshot shows the Nagios Log Server login screen. At the top, there is a blue notification box that says 'Installation Complete!'. Below this is the heading 'Welcome' and the sub-heading 'Sign in to Nagios Log Server'. There are two input fields: 'Username' and 'Password'. Below the password field, there is a checkbox for 'Keep me logged in' and a link for 'Forgot password?'. At the bottom, there is a green 'Login' button.

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You will be logged into Nagios Log Server and be placed at the Home screen:



Finishing Up

Nagios Log Server will now be installed on your system, ready to start collecting logs.

If you have never used Nagios Log Server before then the following documentation is a great starting point to familiarize yourself with the [Technical Overview and Terminology Definitions](#).

Please refer to the [Nagios Log Server Administrator Guide](#) which will help get you started using Nagios Log Server.

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