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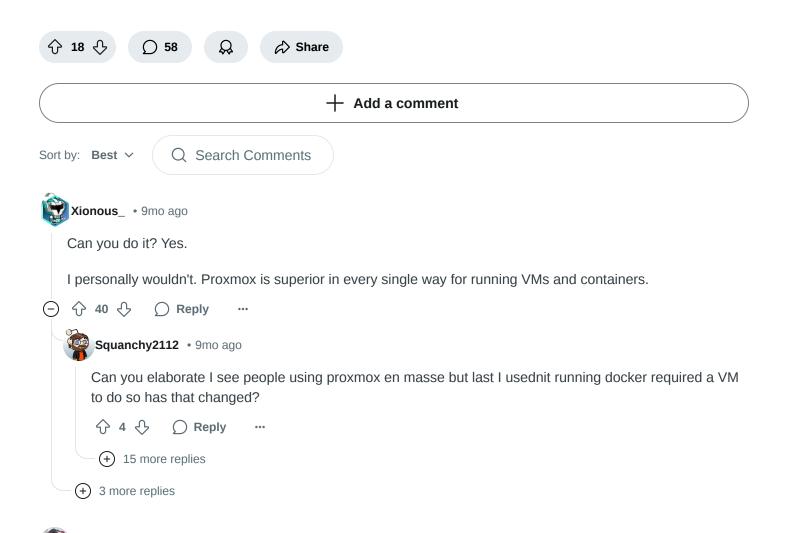
Unraid just for Docker and VM hosting, dumb?

So I've been using UnRaid for a while now, initially as my backup and non-critical storage. Lately I've been adding docker images to host non-critical services and media related things and really like the ease of doing it all. File management and sharing is easy too.

I have a mini-pc used for mobile homelabby stuff and small media hoster, currently running proxmox. Would it be stupid to instead run UnRaid even if the actually unraid part isnt being used and I'm only using a single (possibly 2) SSD?

I've used CasaOS before, it was OK. Lacking in the app store tho (yes I know I can run my own docker images). I thought about Ubuntu or Debian server running Docker/Portainer, again images will be manual and Im less familiar. Unraid just makes it too easy to install and get running.

EDIT: I still plan on keeping my main UnRaid machine for unraid duties (as-well-as my other 2 proxmox machines).

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Can you do it? Yes.

I personally wouldn't. Proxmox is superior in every single way for running VMs and containers.

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  Squanchy2112 • 9mo ago

  Can you elaborate I see people using proxmox en masse but last I usednit running docker required a VM to do so has that changed?

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If you are advanced, then you should probably consider Docker on debian. And for VM's, proxmox.

My other system is a proxmox server with a debian VM for docker.

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towerrh • 9mo ago

I dont think its dumb at all. In some of the new space invader one videos on youtube he talks about the new version of unraid. It will have this capability to run without an array or need for a drive or (fake drive).

Also looks like they are finally going to give them VM stuff a make over.

I honestly planned to do just a docker/VM server with unraid just for this purpose.

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strydr • 9mo ago

I use my UnRaid server specifically for Docker and VM only. I know I'm not utilizing it to its full potential, but I also have two Synology's for network storage. I may add spinning drives one day as a backup target or as a local download cache for the *arrs, but I have 10Gb networking so the connection between storage and compute is not lacking at all so moving storage over is not a priority for me.

You pay for the license, I say use it as you will.

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I ran my unRAID server for just Docker for a few years. I was using two Drobo 5N2s for my NAS needs.

Then, *while Drobo was still alive at the time they were absolutely circling the drain*, I bought a 24 bay case and migrated my NAS work over to unRAID and haven't looked back.
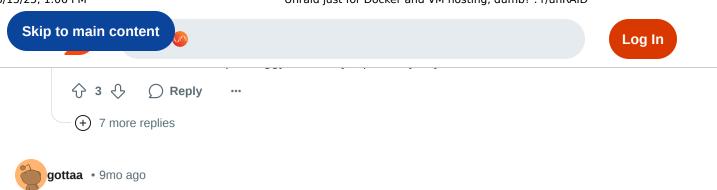
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People suggest other alternatives are better for VMs and even Dockers, but don't say much about why.

Been upgrading for 25 years and building for 20, but this is all new. :) I was fooling with the idea of installing a couple of VMs to get my head wrapped around different OSs, on my Ryzen 3600, 48 GB DDR4 based Unraid media server. Any reasons not to?
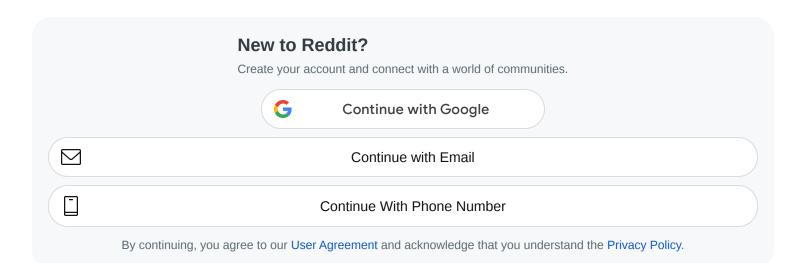
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As you've paid for unraid i would say use it, but Ubuntu with casaos installed purely for the docker App Store
would get you up and running quickly and allow you to fiddle as and when you have time with Ubuntu

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To be clear Im still using my Unraid pro license on my unraid box. Was just thinking of options to better
utilize my mini PC device. Maybe I'll revisit CasaOS.

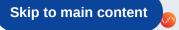⬆ 4 ⬇   💬 **Reply**   ···

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