



Windows Server

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WHAT IS MOST VALUABLE?

Work Folder Synchronization: This feature provides offline synchronization of users' data whether it resides in a desktop, laptop or hand-held device. It also facilitates the BYOD policy if implemented in the company. Its single point of access provides users access to files in online and offline mode with convenience. When the device is connected to the network, data is synched to the storage point as per policies set by the user. The procurement department uses this feature for their purchase-related documents that are shared within department. **Storage Tiering and Pinning:** This feature is designed by keeping the data usage frequency in mind. Data that is accessed frequently is stored on a faster hard drive by the operating system. Suppose if you have SSD and SATA or other type of drives, the system will move frequently accessed data to SSD.

WHAT NEEDS IMPROVEMENT?

Performance-related defaults should be set according to role of the server. Windows 2012 provides a thumbnail view of different roles that a server is configured for. Click on any role, check the event, services and log data for quick review and solution of any issue. These thumbnails of installed roles are pre-configured and disturbing them is not recommended. If any issue with the installed role is detected, the affected part is highlighted with a red-colored font.

FOR HOW LONG HAVE I USED THE SOLUTION?

I have been using it for about one year.

WHAT DO I THINK ABOUT THE STABILITY OF THE SOLUTION?

I have not encountered any stability issues at all.

WHAT DO I THINK ABOUT THE SCALABILITY OF THE SOLUTION?

I have not encountered any scalability issues at all.



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HOW ARE CUSTOMER SERVICE AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT?

Technical support is good.

WHICH SOLUTION DID I USE PREVIOUSLY AND WHY DID I SWITCH?

We were using Windows Server 2003 and Windows Server 2008. We were upgrading our hardware, so decided to upgrade the OS version as well.

HOW WAS THE INITIAL SETUP?

Initial setup went through very smoothly.

WHAT'S MY EXPERIENCE WITH PRICING, SETUP COST, AND LICENSING?

Licensing is a complex issue when it comes to Microsoft. Read all the detail and assess your requirements before finalizing any licensing option.

WHICH OTHER SOLUTIONS DID I EVALUATE?

Before choosing this product, I did not evaluate other options.

WHAT OTHER ADVICE DO I HAVE?

Plan according to your environment.

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