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HyperFlex Edge can be deployed using Cisco Intersight from the cloud or by using the on-premise installer appliance. You can choose between the following two options depending on your requirements:

- **HyperFlex On-Premise OVA Installer**—Use this option for on-premise Edge deployments for three and four node clusters. This type of deployment supports all three network topologies, and requires download and installation of the appliance along with local network access.



Note Use of the on-premises installer is not support for two node HyperFlex Edge clusters.

- **Intersight Installer**—Use this option for Edge to deploy HyperFlex Edge from the cloud. This deployment option supports all Edge cluster sizes and network topologies.

This guide covers deployment using the on-premise OVA installer only.

To deploy an HyperFlex Edge cluster using Cisco Intersight, see [Cisco HyperFlex Systems Installation Guide for Cisco Intersight](#) for detailed deployment instructions. The Cisco Intersight HX installer rapidly deploys HyperFlex Edge clusters. The installer constructs a pre-configuration definition of your cluster, called an HX Cluster Profile. This definition is a logical representation of the HX nodes in your HX Edge cluster. Each HX node provisioned in Cisco Intersight is specified in a HX Cluster profile.

Additional guest VM VLANs are optional. You may use the same management VLAN above for guest VM traffic in environments that wish to keep a simplified flat network design.



Note Due to the nature of the Cisco VIC carving up multiple vNICs from the same physical port, it is not possible for guest VM traffic configured on vswitch-hx-vm-network to communicate L2 to interfaces or services running on the same host. It is recommended to either a) use a separate VLAN and perform L3 routing or b) ensure any guest VMs that need access to management interfaces be placed on the vswitch-hx-inband-mgmt vSwitch. In general, guest VMs should not be put on any of the HyperFlex configured vSwitches except for the vm-network vSwitch. An example use case would be if you need to run vCenter on one of the nodes and it requires connectivity to manage the ESXi host it is running on. In this case, use one of the recommendations above to ensure uninterrupted connectivity.
