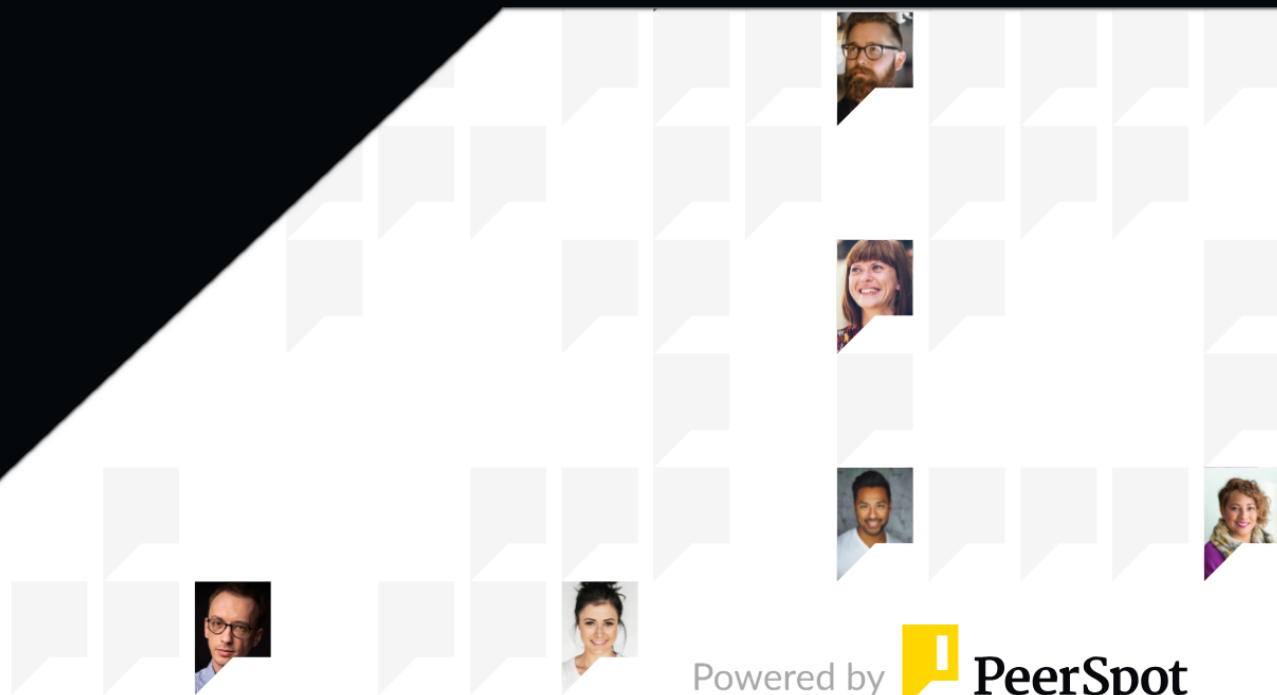




Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform

Reviews, tips, and advice from real users



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Product Recap



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Recap

Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform streamlines Kubernetes management with features designed for scalability and security, making Kubernetes deployments efficient for enterprises.

Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform offers a comprehensive Kubernetes management experience, facilitating the operation and automation of workloads across hybrid, multi-cloud, and edge environments. Its capabilities allow seamless integration with integrated developer tools, which enhances automation and reliability across deployments, ensuring efficient management of infrastructure.

What are Rafay's most valuable features?

- **Cluster Management:** Simplifies the creation and scaling of Kubernetes clusters across environments.
- **Zero Trust Architecture:** Enhances security with strict access controls and policies.
- **Multi-tenancy Support:** Enables logical separation of resources and control for different teams.
- **Automated Policies:** Implements consistent governance with automated policies to streamline operations.
- **Integrated Monitoring:** Provides real-time insights and alerts to optimize performance.

What benefits should be looked for in reviews?

- **Operational Efficiency:** Streamlined processes significantly enhance productivity.
- **Scalability:** Effortlessly handle workload increases without compromising performance.
- **Security:** Enhanced security features that protect sensitive data effectively.
- **Cost Management:** Optimized resource usage can lead to cost reductions.
- **Flexibility:** Allows adaptation to diverse deployment configurations and environments.

Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform is increasingly adopted in industries such as finance, healthcare, and automotive due to its capability to handle complex workloads and meet stringent compliance requirements, providing a robust foundation for modernizing applications and enabling digital transformation.

Valuable Features

Excerpts from real customer reviews on PeerSpot:

- ✓ “Overall, Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform has simplified Kubernetes management by bringing cluster provisioning, access control, monitoring, and application management into one platform, saving time, reducing manual work, and making managing multiple clusters much more efficient.”



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Associate System Engineer at Dhanyaayai Enterprise Private

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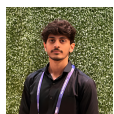
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Validated user

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What users had to say about valuable features:

“One thing I personally appreciate about Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform is that it is open source, so we do not need to pay anything to any vendor or anyone. Additionally, it serves as an orchestration tool that allows automatic scaling of applications with more traffic using horizontal pod auto-scaler or vertical pod auto-scaler, and we can also add a load balancer.

“I find it beneficial to use Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform, as previously mentioned, Kubernetes is open source. The only requirement is that your Linux machine needs licenses, but you can also use the free open-source Linux OS, which is free of cost..”

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“The best features of Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform are the centralized multi-cluster management, built-in RBAC policy for managing role-based access control, cluster lifecycle management, multi-cloud and hybrid cloud support, and centralized monitoring.

Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform's RBAC policy helps my team by giving each user specific roles for managing the cluster, which makes RBAC integration easier and ensures that users do not have access to all clusters, thereby increasing security.

The multi-cloud support stands out for me as it supports different cloud environments on a single platform, including Azure, AWS, and GCP clusters, which helps me manage clusters working on different platforms. .”

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“The best feature I will mention of Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform is the centralized multi-cluster management feature, which allows us not to worry about accessing different clusters, as it provides us with a single interface through which we can manage all the different users, namespaces, and cluster resources. This is what I and my team love working with because we don't have to worry about the different clusters that we are working with.

The central multi-cluster management feature saves us time because earlier we used to create a ticket for access to different cloud providers, which took time to get access, but with Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform, we have multi-cluster support that makes it really easy for our team and saves our time.

The GitOps flow that Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform has is something I'm looking into. I haven't extensively used that aspect, but there's discussion in my team about using their GitOps flow to onboard different new clusters, so I'm still researching that area and seeing how we can use it in our use case.

Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform has positively impacted our organization by increasing overall productivity as a team because we are a big team with many people working on Kubernetes clusters on different public clouds. Earlier it was a hassle for the DevOps team since they had to manage all the cluster access, but with Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform, it has really improved our productivity, allowing us to do many things ourselves since the admin provides a single access for specific areas..”

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“The best features that Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform offers are the ability to scale pods and containers, as well as streaming the logs.

“The scaling feature and log streaming have helped me, especially in testing, because I do a lot of work with event-driven architecture and distributed systems, specifically with Kafka. When we are testing and doing integration and end-to-end tests with our Kafka clusters in staging or dev, the ability to scale up and scale down and turn off some consumers gives me more control over testing.

“Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform has positively impacted my organization by making it a lot easier to have observability with distributed systems and also by lowering the barrier of entry for other teammates using Kubernetes. Kubernetes can be very difficult and opaque for many people, and Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform abstracted away a lot of the difficulty and gave Kubernetes management a more user-friendly UX and UI for many people on my team.

“I have definitely experienced easier onboarding and better error handling due to the improved observability. Easier onboarding and better error handling percentages went up vastly after we started using Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform..”

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“One of the best features of Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform is its centralized multi-cluster management, allowing me to manage clusters from a single platform instead of managing each cluster separately. Another useful feature is role-based access control, which allows teams to securely access clusters without sharing all the kubeconfig files. I found its integration with GitOps and CI/CD pipelines very helpful for automating application deployments, and observability dashboards provide lifecycle management, policy, and governance across hybrid and multi-cloud environments such as VMware, AWS, and cloud platforms. These features are what I appreciate about Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform.

“GitOps made our deployment process much more consistent. Instead of making manual changes directly on the cluster, we kept our Kubernetes manifest in Git. Whenever there was a change, it went through version control, allowing us to easily track who changed what and roll back if needed. Observability dashboards were helpful for day-to-day monitoring, enabling us to quickly check cluster health, node status, resource utilization, and running workloads. If an application team reported an issue, the dashboard provided a quick overview of the cluster before we started troubleshooting with kubectl or checking pod logs. This is the impact of the GitOps integration and observability.

“Overall, Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform has simplified Kubernetes management by bringing cluster provisioning, access control, monitoring, and application management into one platform. It saved time, reduced manual work, and made managing multiple clusters much more efficient..”

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Other Solutions Considered

“I did not use a different solution before; instead, I used AWS and their built-in tools for observability into our pods. I used Kubectl. I can use Kubectl in Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform as well. I used regular assorted CLI tools..”

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“Previously, we were using native Kubernetes management, bare metal clusters, and OpenShift, but due to higher costs, we switched to Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform..”

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“I am aware of alternatives such as Rancher, Red Hat Advanced Cluster Management, VMware Tanzu, and the native Kubernetes tools, but I was not part of the evaluation process, so I cannot comment on why Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform was chosen over them..”

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“Before using Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform, we mainly managed Kubernetes clusters using native Kubernetes tools such as kubectl, kubeconfig files, and the individual dashboards provided by each environment. As the number of clusters increased, managing them separately became more time-consuming, which is why we moved to Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform. It provides centralized cluster management, standard deployments, better access control, and improved visibility across all clusters, simplifying our day-to-day operations and reducing manual effort..”

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ROI

Real user quotes about their ROI:

“I do not have specific examples off the top of my head, but I have definitely seen a considerable amount of time and money saved in terms of not needing to upskill people and not needing to hire as many people for our infrastructure management..”

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“Based on the operational benefits I experienced with Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform, such as centralized cluster management and simplified Kubernetes operations, it seemed to provide good value. However, I was not involved in evaluating the commercial return on investment..”

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Use Case

“My company acts as a system integrator, providing services to any company. For instance, if a company wants to upgrade their OpenShift, such as from version 4.16, they come to us, and we provide them service, taking full access to perform the upgrade..”

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“I use Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform for multi-cluster management, centralized cluster monitoring, and user access management in my day-to-day work.

As I manage multiple clusters working on different platforms such as OCP and EKP, I manage them from a single platform using Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform.

My main use case focuses on application deployment automation. .”

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“My main use case for Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform is observability, observing my pods and containers and performing admin work such as setting up Cron jobs.

“In my day-to-day work, I created a CLI tool that allowed me to use a combination of Rafay and AWS. The AWS CLI tool built a way for me to trail Kafka logs in real-time from my Kafka containers that held my Kafka consumers and producers. I streamed the logs out from them and used the CLI to automate viewing long-tail logs for Kafka from Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform.

“Regarding my use case with Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform, I have created Cron jobs and updated YAML files in the actual containers and pods. I have spun up and spun down different pods, scaled them up and down, and turned them off as well. I perform this work via Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform..”

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“The product that I'm working on requires testing on different Kubernetes clusters, and the major ones we have are AWS, GCP, AKS, DigitalOcean, and some others as well. Earlier, we had to go on every cluster to get access, manage, and test for different clusters for our product, but as soon as we started using Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform, it provided us with a single dashboard with multi-cluster support for different platforms, making it really helpful because the hassle is gone now. We don't need to worry about different clusters as we have a single dashboard.

In our case, we manage multiple public clouds where we create our Kubernetes clusters such as GCP, AKS, and AWS. We found Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform to be a very useful platform for managing all those clusters because it provides us with a single dashboard through which we can manage all the different Kubernetes clusters that we have..”

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“Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform serves as my main platform for centrally managing and automating Kubernetes clusters across multiple environments, including multi-cluster management, cluster provisioning, RBAC access, GitOps, and continuous delivery. I have configured application deployment and migrations from typical virtual machines to the containerized platform, and I perform day-to-day operations tasks on Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform.

“I can provide a specific example of how I have used Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform over the last one year. One task I regularly worked on was deploying and managing Kubernetes clusters through Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform. Instead of logging into every cluster individually, we used Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform as a centralized management platform. For one project, I provisioned a Kubernetes cluster on VMware. After the cluster was ready, I checked the health of the nodes and system pods, configured namespaces for the application team, and helped troubleshoot a pod that was stuck in a pending state due to a storage configuration issue. I worked with the team to identify the root cause, updated the storage configuration, and verified that the application deployed successfully. These are all the day-to-day related tasks I have performed on Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform..”

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Setup

The setup process involves configuring and preparing the product or service for use, which may include tasks such as installation, account creation, initial configuration, and troubleshooting any issues that may arise. Below you can find real user quotes about the setup process.

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“Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform simplifies Kubernetes operations, improves security with RBAC, and reduces operational downtime.

Time was saved because from the single platform, I can manage clusters working on different platforms such as hybrid cloud or multi-cloud platforms, making systems ready and reducing downtime. With that, cluster lifecycle management improved. .”

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“Regarding deployment of Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform, it is not actually difficult to implement. We first do it in our lab only and after that, we do it on the client's side. We do most of the troubleshooting in our lab only first, and then we implement it on the customer's side.

“As for the purchasing process of Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform, some clients purchase it through AWS, while others give us the on-prem bare metal platform or provide us with the VMware platform. It is totally up to the customer.

“In terms of implementation time for Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform, if we have a fully disconnected installation, we typically need approximately 25 days minimum..”

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Customer Service and Support

“We haven't had any issues with the customer support of Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform. Aside from the documentation aspect, we didn't require to connect with them..”

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“Customer support for Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform is responsive, and the support team demonstrates strong Kubernetes expertise and helps with deployment, operational, and troubleshooting issues..”

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“On the occasions when issues were escalated, the feedback from my team was generally positive. They were responsive and provided the required guidance to resolve the issue, so I would say the support was good.

“I would rate the customer support around 8 or 9 out of 10. I did not interact with them frequently, but the few escalations we had were handled professionally..”

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Other Advice

“I would advise individuals looking into using Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform that if they use multiple clusters in their organization or multiple public cloud providers and want to avoid the hassle of managing all those clusters, then they should definitely use Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform. I would rate this product an 8 out of 10..”

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“I would advise others looking into using Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform to definitely give it a shot, look into it, and review the documentation. I would make sure that they have reviewed their throughput and scalability requirements, because if it is above a certain threshold, they might not get as much value from it as they might hope for. I would rate this product an 8 out of 10..”

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“I would rate Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform eight out of ten.

I advise others who are looking into using Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform that if they want to manage multiple Kubernetes clusters running on different platforms such as cloud or on-premise environments, they can adopt Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform for long-term operational benefits. .”

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“My advice for others looking into using Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform is to first build a strong Kubernetes foundation and then explore Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform's features such as centralized management, RBAC, and blueprints. Starting with a small deployment helps teams understand the platform before using it at scale.

“Overall, Rafay Kubernetes Operations Platform is a solid Kubernetes operations platform that made cluster management more organized and streamlined our daily operations. My experience with it was positive, and I would recommend it to teams managing multiple Kubernetes clusters.

“It was a good experience overall. The questions were clear and relevant. My only suggestion would be to reduce a few repetitive questions, but I found the interview smooth and easy to complete. I would rate this review overall a 9 out of 10..”

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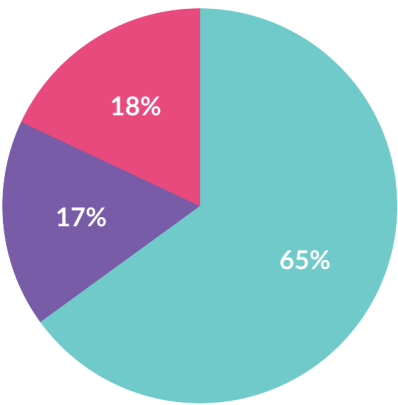
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