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Ascender Pro

Ascender Pro addresses the complexities of large-scale automation, providing a stable, supported solution for consistent infrastructure management.

Ascender helps teams define, automate, and manage workflows and configurations across their infrastructure. It extends Ansible's capabilities by centralizing automation efforts and offering an interface to manage playbooks, inventories, and configurations. It automates tasks such as server provisioning, application deployment, cloud environment management, and CI/CD pipeline tasks.

Before Ascender, organizations typically managed automation using upstream Ansible AWX, or a combination of custom scripts and manual methods. Many also built homemade automation solutions. These approaches often lacked the stability, scalability, and support necessary for large-scale operations.

Ascender helps businesses cut costs and boost productivity by enabling teams to spend less time on repetitive tasks, simplify complex ones, track changes with audit trails, and easily combine separately developed automations.

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Ascender Pro gives organizations a reliable, stable platform that reduces downtime and operational inefficiencies. Automation workflows become more predictable and easier to manage, leading to consistent environments. This stability allows teams to scale their automation efforts and focus on innovation instead of constantly troubleshooting issues.

Reduce operational overhead
Use automation to eliminate manual deployment tasks.

Increase deployment consistency
Repeatable playbooks ensure consistent deployments.

Scale elegantly and efficiently
Scale from a handful to thousands of servers.

Ascender Pro is downstream of Ansible AWX and is a commercially supported version of the open source Ascender project that provides commercial support and adds capabilities that give you deeper insight and control over your environment.

	Ansible AWX	Ascender	Ascender Pro
Packaging^			
Centralized management	⊘	⊘	⊘
Workflow automation	⊘	⊘	⊘
Scheduling and job monitoring	⊘	⊘	⊘
Collaboration and version control	⊘	⊘	⊘
Auditing and reporting	⊘	⊘	⊘
REST API	⊘	⊘	⊘
Role-Based Access Control (RBAC)	⊘	⊘	⊘
Multi-tenant deployments	⊘	⊘	⊘
Automated installer	-	⊘	⊘
CVE remediation	-	-	⊘
Security errata	-	-	⊘
Compliance	-	-	⊘
Indemnification	-	-	⊘
Support and migration services	-	-	⊘

Audits, control, and improved security

Ascender Pro includes unique and valuable tools to help give you more proactive insight over your infrastructure deployments. It allows you to save time and money on system management, monitor critical changes, and ensure compliance.

It provides deep observability into infrastructure by tracking detailed logs and monitoring changes, identifying configuration drift to maintain system states, and offering visibility into security vulnerabilities (errata and CVEs) for proactive management and simpler compliance reporting.

Security vulnerability management
Seamlessly integrate errata and CVE information into your system monitoring with Ascender Pro to quickly identify and address security threats. Its enhanced analysis lets you examine vulnerabilities by package or specific CVEs, ensuring your security updates are managed efficiently and your systems stay secure.

Compliance with minimal effort
With Ascender Pro, simplify regulatory compliance using compliance charts that visually show how well your environment meets industry standards. You can create and schedule detailed reports to easily demonstrate your compliance status, and the tool's ability to monitor changes and detect drift means you stay compliant with minimal effort.
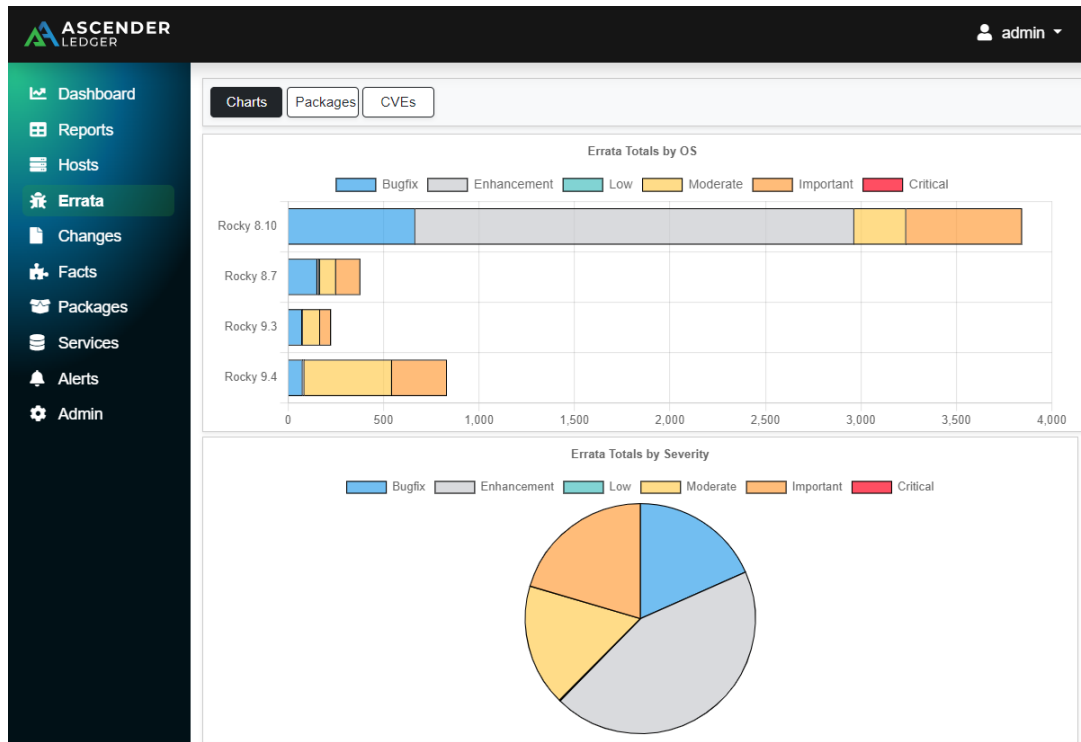
Deploy more efficiently with Ascender Pro

Ascender helps businesses save money and increase how much work they get done. It does this by letting teams spend less time on tasks they do over and over, making difficult tasks simpler, keeping track of changes, and easily bringing together automations that were built separately.

Get started today: Talk to CIQ about Ascender Pro and accelerate your IT infrastructure

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