SD-WAN Vendors Comparison - CheatSheet

Feature	CISCO SD-WAN	vmware SD-WAN	FORTINET SD-WAN	VERSA NETWORKS SD-WAN	aryaka SD-WAN	PRISMA SD-WAN
Core Technology	viptela and Meraki Platforms	VeloCloud	FortiGate platform with integrated security	Unified Secure Access Service Edge (SASE) platform	Fully managed WAN with built-in optimization	Palo Alto Networks' cloud-delivered SASE
Security	Integrated security features, real-time policy enforcement	Secure access service edge (SASE), robust security features	Advanced threat protection, SSL VPN, deep packet inspection	Integrated security, advanced threat protection	End-to-end encryption, secure web gateway	Advanced threat protection, full SASE capabilities
Deployment Options	• Cloud • on-premises • Hybrid • multi-cloud	• Cloud-based • virtual and hardware appliances	• On-premises • Cloud • hybrid	• Cloud-based • on-premises	• Fully managed service • cloud-based	• Cloud-based • on-premises
Scalability	• Highly scalable • flexible architecture	• Easily scalable • supports virtual and physical appliances	• Highly scalable • suitable for all business sizes	• Scalable to large enterprises flexible deployment	• Scalable • global presence	• Scalable • flexible deployment options
Ease of Use	• Centralized management • integration with major cloud services	• Centralized orchestrator • easy deployment	• Centralized management • requires some technical expertise	• Centralized management • user-friendly interface	• Managed service • simplifies deployment and management	• User-friendly • easy initial setup
Performance	High performance, low latency	Reliable connections, traffic steering for best performance	High performance, SLA-based link monitoring	High performance, application-aware routing	Optimized for global WAN, high application performance	High performance, seamless integration with cloud apps
Customer Support	Strong support, extensive resources	Strong support, robust resources	Strong support, comprehensive documentation	Strong support, dedicated resources	Fully managed support	Strong support, Palo Alto Networks' expertise
Market Position	Market leader	Strong market presence	Strong market presence, especially in security	Growing presence, strong in SASE	Niche player, strong in managed services	Strong presence, leveraging Palo Alto Networks' strengths