

More SMB Networking Products From Netgear

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Netgear announces more networking products aimed at SMB customers, including the Smart Managed Pro S350 switch series, a streamlined satellite for the Orbi Pro mesh wifi system and an update on the Insight cloud management platform.



The Smart Managed Pro S350 is an IPV6-ready switch series consisting of 5 models-- including 8-, 24- and 48-port switches with 2 or 4 SFP ports for fibre uplinks. The 8- and 24-port models include PoE+ variants, and offer Layer 2 features for enhanced performance and ease of use. The switches are designed for environments with voice, video and data carried over a single network, and support L2/L3/L4 Access Control Lists (ACLs), Quality of Service (QoS), Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP) and Spanning Tree Protocol (STP).

Meanwhile the Orbi Pro mesh wifi ceiling satellite connects with the Orbi Pro router or any other Orbi Pro satellite via patented FastLane3 technology, with a dedicated wireless backhaul for environments with challenging (if not impossible) wiring). It offers PoE capability, and uses 4x4 MU-MIMO wifi to cover denser environments. Automatic power and channel management between satellites enable roaming, coverage and performance, making a practical option for larger areas.

The Insight managed smart cloud tri-band WAP (WAC540) carries three separate radios (one 2.4GHz, two 5GHz) to deliver a total of 3Gbps throughput, plus broad coverage and commercial-grade security. It supports self-managing wifi with features such as band-steering, beamforming, load balancing, airtime fairness and advanced roaming, and is optimised to support 100s of wifi clients for maximum performance and coverage.

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For small offices, cafes and retail shops Netgear offers the WAC124-- a high-performance AC2000 router promising wide coverage with 300Mbps + 1734Mbps over independent channels via external antennas. It supports x3 separate and secure SSIDs over 4x4 802.11ac Wave2 MU-MIMO wifi.

Insight Cloud Management enables easy device onboarding, intuitive setup, remote management and full monitoring of both WAC540 and Orbi Pro ceiling satellite, together with the entire network. The enhanced Insight Pro allows VARs to add or expand to recurring service revenue quickly, with little-to-no pocket expense, and provides custom reports, network location configurations and device backup and restore capabilities.

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