



# **Guest OS preparation for installing SnapDrive for UNIX**

Snapdrive for Unix

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# Guest OS preparation for installing SnapDrive for UNIX

You must prepare the guest system before you can install SnapDrive for UNIX on your system. As part of the guest preparation, you must install the Solaris Host Utilities.

## Related information

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[Limitations of RDM LUNs managed by SnapDrive](#)

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## Installing Solaris Host Utilities

Before you install SnapDrive for UNIX, you must install the Solaris Host Utilities.

### Steps

1. To install the Solaris Host Utilities, see the Solaris Host Utilities documentation to ensure that the system is set up correctly.

It contains information about volume managers, multipathing, and other features you must set up before you install SnapDrive for UNIX.

## Verifying that the guest is ready

SnapDrive for UNIX must ensure that the guest is ready to communicate with the storage system.

Ensure that the Backup and Recovery capability of NetApp Virtual Storage Console for VMware vSphere is installed in the Windows system and registered with the vCenter.

NetApp Virtual Storage Console configuration is required only for RDM FC LUNs.

### Steps

1. Enter the following command:

```
snapdrive config set -viadmin user viadmin_name
```

After the command is complete, you can confirm that the guest can communicate to the storage system by running the `snapdrive storage show -all` command.

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