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Astra Trident

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Before you begin installation, log in to the Linux host and verify it is managing a working, supported Kubernetes cluster and that you have the necessary privileges.

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cd trident-installer
```

Step 2: Create the `TridentOrchestrator` CRD

Create the `TridentOrchestrator` Custom Resource Definition (CRD). You will create a `TridentOrchestrator` Custom Resources later. Use the appropriate CRD YAML version in `deploy/crds` to create the `TridentOrchestrator` CRD.

```
kubectl create -f
deploy/crds/trident.netapp.io_tridentorchestrators_crd_post1.16.yaml
```

Step 3: Deploy the Trident operator

The Astra Trident installer provides a bundle file that can be used to install the operator and create associated objects. The bundle file is an easy way to deploy the operator and install Astra Trident using a default configuration.

- For clusters running Kubernetes 1.24 or lower, use `bundle_pre_1_25.yaml`.

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The Trident installer deploys the operator in the `trident` namespace. If the `trident` namespace does not exist, use `kubectl apply -f deploy/namespace.yaml` to create it.

Steps

1. Create the resources and deploy the operator:

```
kubectl create -f deploy/<bundle>.yaml
```

> (i) To deploy the operator in a namespace other than the `trident` namespace, update `serviceaccount.yaml`, `clusterrolebinding.yaml` and `operator.yaml` and generate your bundle file using the `kustomization.yaml`:
>
> ```
> kubectl kustomize deploy/ > deploy/<bundle>.yaml
> ```

2. Verify the operator was deployed.

```
kubectl get deployment -n <operator-namespace>

NAME                 READY    UP-TO-DATE    AVAILABLE    AGE
trident-operator     1/1      1             1            3m
```

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Step 4: Create the `TridentOrchestrator` and install Trident

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Name:        trident
Namespace:
Labels:      <none>
Annotations: <none>
API Version: trident.netapp.io/v1
Kind:        TridentOrchestrator
...
Spec:
  Debug:     true
  Namespace: trident
Status:
  Current Installation Params:
    IPv6:                    false
    Autosupport Hostname:
    Autosupport Image:       netapp/trident-autosupport:23.01
    Autosupport Proxy:
    Autosupport Serial Number:
    Debug:                   true
    Image Pull Secrets:
    Image Registry:
    k8sTimeout:          30
    Kubelet Dir:         /var/lib/kubelet
    Log Format:          text
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  Message:                   Trident installed  Namespace:
trident
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1m
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1m
trident-node-linux-xrp7w                     2/2       Running    0
1m
trident-node-linux-zh2jt                     2/2       Running    0
1m
trident-operator-766f7b8658-ldzsv            1/1       Running    0
3m
```

Using `tridentctl`

You can use `tridentctl` to check the version of Astra Trident installed.

```
./tridentctl -n trident version

+----------------+----------------+
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| 23.01.1        | 23.01.1        |
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What's next

Now you can create create a backend and storage class, provision a volume, and mount the volume in a pod.

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```
kubectl create -f deploy/crds/<VERSION>.yaml
```

Step 3: Update the registry location in the operator

In `/deploy/operator.yaml`, update `image: docker.io/netapp/trident-operator:23.01.1` to reflect the location of your image registry. Your Trident and CSI images can be located in one registry or different registries, but all CSI images must be located in the same registry. For example:

- `image: <your-registry>/trident-operator:23.01.1` if your images are all located in one registry.

- `image: <your-registry>/netapp/trident-operator:23.01.1` if your Trident image is located in a different registry from your CSI images.

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Step 5: Update the image registry location in the `TridentOrchestrator`

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Images in one registry

```
imageRegistry: "<your-registry>"
autosupportImage: "<your-registry>/trident-autosupport:23.01"
tridentImage: "<your-registry>/trident:23.01.1"
```

Images in different registries

You must append `sig-storage` to the `imageRegistry` to use different registry locations.

```
imageRegistry: "<your-registry>/sig-storage"
autosupportImage: "<your-registry>/netapp/trident-autosupport:23.01"
tridentImage: "<your-registry>/netapp/trident:23.01.1"
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Step 6: Create the `TridentOrchestrator` **and install Trident**

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  Debug:              true
  Image Registry:     <your-registry>/sig-storage
  Namespace:          trident
  Trident Image:      <your-registry>/netapp/trident:23.01.1
Status:
  Current Installation Params:
    IPv6:                     false
    Autosupport Hostname:
    Autosupport Image:        <your-registry>/netapp/trident-
autosupport:23.01
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    Autosupport Serial Number:
    Debug:                    true
    Http Request Timeout:     90s
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Before you begin

In addition to the deployment prerequisites you need Helm version 3.

Steps

1. Add the Astra Trident Helm repository:

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helm repo add netapp-trident https://netapp.github.io/trident-helm-chart
```

2. Use `helm install` and specify a name for your deployment as in the following example where `23.01.1` is the version of Astra Trident you are installing.

```
helm install <name> netapp-trident/trident-operator --version 23.01.1
--create-namespace --namespace <trident-namespace>
```

> ⓘ If you already created a namespace for Trident, the `--create-namespace` parameter will not create an additional namespace.

You can use `helm list` to review installation details such as name, namespace, chart, status, app version, and revision number.

Pass configuration data during install

There are two ways to pass configuration data during the install:

Option	Description
`--values` (or `-f`)	Specify a YAML file with overrides. This can be specified multiple times and the rightmost file will take precedence.
`--set`	Specify overrides on the command line.

For example, to change the default value of `debug`, run the following `--set` command where `23.01.1` is the version of Astra Trident you are installing:

```
helm install <name> netapp-trident/trident-operator --version 23.01.1
--create-namespace --namespace --set tridentDebug=true
```

Configuration options

This table and the `values.yaml` file, which is part of the Helm chart, provide the list of keys and their default values.

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`deploymentAnnotations`	Deployment annotations	
`tolerations`	Tolerations for pod assignment	
`affinity`	Affinity for pod assignment	
`tridentControllerPluginNodeSelector`	Additional node selectors for pods. Refer to Understanding controller pods and node pods for details.	
`tridentControllerPluginTolerations`	Overrides Kubernetes tolerations for pods. Refer to Understanding controller pods and node pods for details.	
`tridentNodePluginNodeSelector`	Additional node selectors for pods. Refer to Understanding controller pods and node pods for details.	
`tridentNodePluginTolerations`	Overrides Kubernetes tolerations for pods. Refer to Understanding controller pods and node pods for details.	
`imageRegistry`	Identifies the registry for the `trident-operator`, `trident`, and other images. Leave empty to accept the default.	`""`
`imagePullPolicy`	Sets the image pull policy for the `trident-operator`.	`IfNotPresent`
`imagePullSecrets`	Sets the image pull secrets for the `trident-operator`, `trident`, and other images.	
`kubeletDir`	Allows overriding the host location of kubelet's internal state.	`"/var/lib/kubelet"`
`operatorLogLevel`	Allows the log level of the Trident operator to be set to: `trace`, `debug`, `info`, `warn`, `error`, or `fatal`.	`"info"`
`operatorDebug`	Allows the log level of the Trident operator to be set to debug.	`true`
`operatorImage`	Allows the complete override of the image for `trident-operator`.	`""`
`operatorImageTag`	Allows overriding the tag of the `trident-operator` image.	`""`
`tridentIPv6`	Allows enabling Astra Trident to work in IPv6 clusters.	`false`

Option	Description	Default
`tridentK8sTimeout`	Overrides the default 30-second timeout for most Kubernetes API operations (if non-zero, in seconds).	`0`
`tridentHttpRequestTimeout`	Overrides the default 90-second timeout for the HTTP requests, with `0s` being an infinite duration for the timeout. Negative values are not allowed.	`"90s"`
`tridentSilenceAutosupport`	Allows disabling Astra Trident periodic AutoSupport reporting.	`false`
`tridentAutosupportImageTag`	Allows overriding the tag of the image for Astra Trident AutoSupport container.	`<version>`
`tridentAutosupportProxy`	Allows Astra Trident AutoSupport container to phone home via an HTTP proxy.	`""`
`tridentLogFormat`	Sets the Astra Trident logging format (`text` or `json`).	`"text"`
`tridentDisableAuditLog`	Disables Astra Trident audit logger.	`true`
`tridentLogLevel`	Allows the log level of Astra Trident to be set to: `trace`, `debug`, `info`, `warn`, `error`, or `fatal`.	`"info"`
`tridentDebug`	Allows the log level of Astra Trident to be set to `debug`.	`false`
`tridentLogWorkflows`	Allows specific Astra Trident workflows to be enabled for trace logging or log suppression.	`""`
`tridentLogLayers`	Allows specific Astra Trident layers to be enabled for trace logging or log suppression.	`""`
`tridentImage`	Allows the complete override of the image for Astra Trident.	`""`
`tridentImageTag`	Allows overriding the tag of the image for Astra Trident.	`""`
`tridentProbePort`	Allows overriding the default port used for Kubernetes liveness/readiness probes.	`""`
`windows`	Allows Astra Trident to be installed on Windows worker node.	`false`
`enableForceDetach`	Allows enabling the force detach feature.	`false`

Option	Description	Default
excludePodSecurityPolicy	Excludes the operator pod security policy from creation.	false

Understanding controller pods and node pods

Astra Trident runs as a single controller pod, plus a node pod on each worker node in the cluster. The node pod must be running on any host where you want to potentially mount an Astra Trident volume.

Kubernetes node selectors and tolerations and taints are used to constrain a pod to run on a specific or preferred node. Using the`ControllerPlugin` and NodePlugin, you can specify constraints and overrides.

- The controller plugin handles volume provisioning and management, such as snapshots and resizing.
- The node plugin handles attaching the storage to the node.

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>
> ```
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Option	Description	Default
`imagePullSecrets`	Sets the image pull secrets for the `trident-operator`, `trident`, and other images.	
`kubeletDir`	Allows overriding the host location of kubelet's internal state.	`"'/var/lib/kubelet"'`
`operatorLogLevel`	Allows the log level of the Trident operator to be set to: `trace`, `debug`, `info`, `warn`, `error`, or `fatal`.	`"info"`
`operatorDebug`	Allows the log level of the Trident operator to be set to debug.	`true`
`operatorImage`	Allows the complete override of the image for `trident-operator`.	`""`
`operatorImageTag`	Allows overriding the tag of the `trident-operator` image.	`""`
`tridentIPv6`	Allows enabling Astra Trident to work in IPv6 clusters.	`false`
`tridentK8sTimeout`	Overrides the default 30-second timeout for most Kubernetes API operations (if non-zero, in seconds).	`0`
`tridentHttpRequestTimeout`	Overrides the default 90-second timeout for the HTTP requests, with `0s` being an infinite duration for the timeout. Negative values are not allowed.	`"90s"`
`tridentSilenceAutosupport`	Allows disabling Astra Trident periodic AutoSupport reporting.	`false`
`tridentAutosupportImageTag`	Allows overriding the tag of the image for Astra Trident AutoSupport container.	`<version>`
`tridentAutosupportProxy`	Allows Astra Trident AutoSupport container to phone home via an HTTP proxy.	`""`
`tridentLogFormat`	Sets the Astra Trident logging format (`text` or `json`).	`"text"`
`tridentDisableAuditLog`	Disables Astra Trident audit logger.	`true`
`tridentLogLevel`	Allows the log level of Astra Trident to be set to: `trace`, `debug`, `info`, `warn`, `error`, or `fatal`.	`"info"`
`tridentDebug`	Allows the log level of Astra Trident to be set to `debug`.	`false`

Option	Description	Default
`tridentLogWorkflows`	Allows specific Astra Trident workflows to be enabled for trace logging or log suppression.	""
`tridentLogLayers`	Allows specific Astra Trident layers to be enabled for trace logging or log suppression.	""
`tridentImage`	Allows the complete override of the image for Astra Trident.	""
`tridentImageTag`	Allows overriding the tag of the image for Astra Trident.	""
`tridentProbePort`	Allows overriding the default port used for Kubernetes liveness/readiness probes.	""
`windows`	Allows Astra Trident to be installed on Windows worker node.	`false`
`enableForceDetach`	Allows enabling the force detach feature.	`false`
`excludePodSecurityPolicy`	Excludes the operator pod security policy from creation.	`false`

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Kubernetes node selectors and tolerations and taints are used to constrain a pod to run on a specific or preferred node. Using the`ControllerPlugin` and `NodePlugin`, you can specify constraints and overrides.

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What's next

Now you can create create a backend and storage class, provision a volume, and mount the volume in a pod.

Customize Trident operator installation

The Trident operator allows you to customize Astra Trident installation using the attributes in the `TridentOrchestrator` spec. If you want to customize the installation beyond what `TridentOrchestrator` arguments allow, consider using `tridentctl` to generate custom YAML manifests to modify as needed.

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Configuration options

> ⚠️ `spec.namespace` is specified in `TridentOrchestrator` to signify the namespace where Astra Trident is installed. This parameter **cannot be updated after Astra Trident is installed**. Attempting to do so causes the `TridentOrchestrator` status to change to `Failed`. Astra Trident is not intended to be migrated across namespaces.

This table details `TridentOrchestrator` attributes.

Parameter	Description	Default
`namespace`	Namespace to install Astra Trident in	"default"
`debug`	Enable debugging for Astra Trident	false
`windows`	Setting to `true` enables installation on Windows worker nodes.	false
`IPv6`	Install Astra Trident over IPv6	false
`k8sTimeout`	Timeout for Kubernetes operations	30sec
`silenceAutosupport`	Don't send autosupport bundles to NetApp automatically	false
`enableNodePrep`	Manage worker node dependencies automatically (**BETA**)	false
`autosupportImage`	The container image for Autosupport Telemetry	"netapp/trident-autosupport:23.01"
`autosupportProxy`	The address/port of a proxy for sending Autosupport Telemetry	"http://proxy.example.com:8888"
`uninstall`	A flag used to uninstall Astra Trident	false
`logFormat`	Astra Trident logging format to be used [text,json]	"text"
`tridentImage`	Astra Trident image to install	"netapp/trident:21.04"
`imageRegistry`	Path to internal registry, of the format `<registry FQDN>[:port][/subpath]`	"k8s.gcr.io/sig-storage (k8s 1.19+) or quay.io/k8scsi"

Parameter	Description	Default
`kubeletDir`	Path to the kubelet directory on the host	"/var/lib/kubelet"
`wipeout`	A list of resources to delete to perform a complete removal of Astra Trident	
`imagePullSecrets`	Secrets to pull images from an internal registry	
`imagePullPolicy`	Sets the image pull policy for the the Trident operator. Valid values are: `Always` to always pull the image. `IfNotPresent` to pull the image only if it does not already exist on the node. `Never` to never pull the image.	`IfNotPresent`
`controllerPluginNodeSelector`	Additional node selectors for pods. Follows same format as pod.spec.nodeSelector.	No default; optional
`controllerPluginTolerations`	Overrides Kubernetes tolerations for pods. Follows the same format as pod.spec.Tolerations.	No default; optional
`nodePluginNodeSelector`	Additional node selectors for pods. Follows same format as pod.spec.nodeSelector.	No default; optional
`nodePluginTolerations`	Overrides Kubernetes tolerations for pods. Follows the same format as pod.spec.Tolerations.	No default; optional

ⓘ   For more information on formatting pod parameters, see Assigning Pods to Nodes.

Sample configurations

You can use the attributes mentioned above when defining `TridentOrchestrator` to customize your installation.

Example 1: Basic custom configuration

This is an example for a basic custom configuration.

```
cat deploy/crds/tridentorchestrator_cr_imagepullsecrets.yaml
apiVersion: trident.netapp.io/v1
kind: TridentOrchestrator
metadata:
  name: trident
spec:
  debug: true
  namespace: trident
  imagePullSecrets:
  - thisisasecret
```

Example 2: Deploy with node selectors

This example illustrates how Trident can be deployed with node selectors:

```
apiVersion: trident.netapp.io/v1
kind: TridentOrchestrator
metadata:
  name: trident
spec:
  debug: true
  namespace: trident
  controllerPluginNodeSelector:
    nodetype: master
  nodePluginNodeSelector:
    storage: netapp
```

Example 3: Deploy on Windows worker nodes

This example illustrates deployment on a Windows worker node.

```
cat deploy/crds/tridentorchestrator_cr.yaml
apiVersion: trident.netapp.io/v1
kind: TridentOrchestrator
metadata:
  name: trident
spec:
  debug: true
  namespace: trident
  windows: true
```