# MS120-8 Compact Switch

1G access switch with 1G SFP uplinks, small form-factor, and optional PoE+



### CLOUD-MANAGED COMPACT ACCESS SWITCHES

Cisco Meraki **MS120-8** compact switches provide Layer 2 access switching in a fanless, compact form factor. All models include 1GbE SFP ports for fiber uplink, integrated mounting brackets, and a Kensington security slot, making them ideal for rapid and secure deployment to branch location.

Cisco Meraki switches are built from the ground-up to be easily managed without compromising any of the power and flexibility traditionally found in enterprise-class switches.

Meraki switches are managed through an elegant, intuitive cloud interface, rather than through command line. To set up a Meraki switch, just plug it in; there's no need for complicated configuration files or even direct physical access to the switch.

Meraki's centralized management gives administrators deep visibility into the network and how it's used. For example, you can quickly see which switches are near capacity across hundreds of sites, or find all configuration changes made by a member of the team with instant search.

# INDUSTRY-LEADING CLOUD MANAGEMENT

Cloud management has a number of benefits that make it easier to build networks large and small:

- True zero-touch device provisioning.
- Virtual Stacking: manage up to thousands of ports from a single pane of glass.
- Application-layer visibility with automatic operating system, client, and hostname fingerprinting.
- Powerful live tools such as packet capture and cable test to isolate and troubleshoot network issues.
- Alerts to indicate power loss, downtime, excessive Layer 1 issues, and configuration changes.
- Role-based administration and automatic, scheduled firmware upgrades over the web.
- Regular feature updates and enhancements delivered on demand from the Meraki cloud.

### **Product Highlights**

- Gigabit Access switching with 8  $\times$  1GbE RJ45 ports and optional PoE/PoE+
- 2 x 1G SFP uplink interfaces on all models
- Fanless operation
- 20Gbps non-blocking compact switch
- 67/124 watt PoE budget with PoE+ support and dynamic power allocation for powering access points, phones, cameras, and other PoE-enabled devices
- 6 dedicated QoS queues for converged voice, video, and data applications
- Integrated mounting brackets for wall or desk mounting, with included Kensington security slot
- Lifetime hardware warranty and advanced replacement at no additional cost

# Features

Meraki switches include all of the traditional Ethernet features found in modern enterprise access switches, including:

### **Branch & Campus Access**

- Quality-of-Service (QoS) to prioritize mission-critical traffic such as voice and video
- · Voice VLAN support for simplified VoIP deployments
- · CDP/LLDP with detailed neighbor discovery and visibility
- Port Mirroring support for monitoring network traffic at line rate
- IGMP Snooping to optimize network performance for multicast applications
- Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP) for high-capacity trunking

### **Network Security**

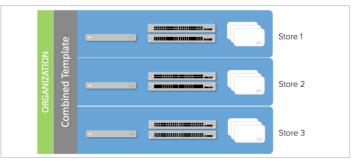
- IEEE 802.1X, MAB, and Hybrid authentication support for wired access control with RADIUS server monitoring
- Port security and MAC whitelisting
- · Change of Authorization (CoA) and RADIUS accounting support
- DHCP snooping to prevent users from adding unauthorized DHCP servers on the network
- Rapid Spanning Tree, BPDU Guard, Root Guard, and other safeguards to help prevent misconfigurations and reduce convergence time
- Per-port VLAN configuration
- Multiple administrative roles with sophisticated security policy management

### **Network Troubleshooting & Automation**

- Virtual Stacking lets administrators configure thousands of ports across a network in one dashboard action
- Configuration templates for rapid, zero-touch provisioning and auditing of all sites
- Network Topology for automatic and interactive network mapping
- Remote cable testing, packet capture, and client discovery
- Staged, automatic, and scheduled firmware upgrades for the complete network

# **Rapid Deployment & Configuration**

With Meraki's secure cloud architecture, device provisioning and orchestration becomes completely streamlined. Zero-touch configuration coupled with configuration templates let administrators define a switch configuration once and then bind thousands of switches to a profile, reducing overhead and increasing network security.





# **Application Layer Visibility**

Meraki is the only switch to include integrated Layer 7 fingerprinting. Our powerful, built-in traffic classification features can identify hundreds of applications from business apps to BitTorrent and YouTube. User fingerprinting with Google-like search allows administrators to easily identify and control individual users, PCs, Macs, iPads, Android devices, and other device types. This unprecedented visibility allows optimizing of network resources and maintaining an optimal, secure network that always performs.

# **Unified Software Architecture**

Meraki switches run the same operating system used by all of Meraki's products. The use of a common operating system allows Meraki to deliver a consistent experience across all product lines. When connected, MS120-8 switches automatically connect to the Meraki cloud, download configuration, and join the appropriate network. If new firmware is required, this is retrieved by the switch and updated automatically. This ensures the network is kept up-todate with bug fixes, security updates, and new features.

### Troubleshooting

Packet capture	Run a packet capture on this port
Cable test	Run a cable test on this port Warning: This test will disrupt traffic to 100 or 10 Mbit devices.
Cycle port	<ul> <li>Disable and re-enable this port</li> <li>Warning: PoE powered devices will be temporarily powered down.</li> </ul>

Remote cable test in the Meraki dashboard

# Simplified Management and Operations

Meraki's cloud-managed architecture makes it simpler than ever to quickly provision and reconfigure switch ports with security, QoS, and other parameters. The Meraki dashboard provides unified policies, event logs, and monitoring, which make it easy to manage and scale large network deployments.

By providing a complete, powerful set of management functions over the web, Meraki cloud-based management eliminates the need for proprietary command line configuration interfaces, which require expensive and time-consuming certifications. Meraki MS switches can be fully deployed and provisioned in minutes, without requiring any local configuration or staging. Additional or replacement switches can be sent to remote offices and installed by non-technical staff, saving thousands of dollars in time and travel expenses.

The Meraki MS family also includes several remote diagnostic features, from network connectivity and cable integrity tests to latency measurement tools. For deep client troubleshooting, administrators can even perform per-port remote packet captures without any additional probes or hardware on-site.

Firmware upgrade	S
Try beta firmware	No v What is this?
Upgrade window	Thursday v 1am v PDT What is this?
Switch firmware	The switches in this network are configured to run the latest available firmware.
	O Reschedule the upgrade to: at PST
	○ Perform the upgrade now
	Upgrade as scheduled

**Scheduled & Automatic Firmware Updates** 

15 minutes 👻	with ANY of the following tags $\checkmark$
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# **Designed for Reliability & Environmental Efficiency**

The Meraki switch family was designed for reliable operation in network closets, which are prone to high temperatures and limited ventilation. By minimizing total component count and only using proven switching silicon, Meraki is able to deliver highly reliable products with exceptional mean time between failure (MTBF) ratings.

Each Meraki switch also operates with a split-plane architecture, where silicon-based switching and data forwarding are separated from software-based control and management. By decoupling the

### **DISTRIBUTED BRANCHES & REMOTE SITES**

Meraki's cloud-based system makes it easy to manage a single switch, or thousands of distributed switches, from a single interface.

- Troubleshoot problems remotely; e.g., find which port has a bad cable attached.
- Add or replace switches without having to send a technician onsite. Switches automatically download their current configuration as soon as they are connected to the network.
- Receive email alerts or SMS messages whenever there's a problem at a remote site.

underlying switching logic from control, each unit is able to deliver wire-speed switching even when advanced software features such as Layer 7 host and OS fingerprinting are enabled.

Finally, the highly integrated designs of Meraki switches result in power and cooling savings in large deployment environments of 30-60% when compared with similar managed Gigabit switches.

### **CAMPUS EDGE**

MS switches are ideal for small and large scale campus deployments, where reliability, scalability, and managability are top priorities.

- Virtual Stacking lets administators manage up to thousands of ports in a single interface without having to physically connect stack members.
- SFP uplinks with link aggregation provide high speed connectivity to the core of the network.
- Receive alerts if any switch loses connectivity, before users complain.

# **Dimensions & Interfaces**

Model	Physical Dimensions (H x W x D)*	Weight	Interface	Switching Capacity
MS120-8-HW	1.1 x 8.74 x 5.91" (2.8 x 22.2 x 15cm)	2.36 lb (1.07 kg)	<ul> <li>8 x 10/100/1000BASE-T Ethernet RJ45 with auto negotiation and crossover detection (auto-MDIX crossover)</li> <li>2 x 1GbE SFP uplink</li> </ul>	20 Gbps
MS120-8LP-HW	1.1 x 8.74 x 5.91" (2.8 x 22.2 x 15cm)	2.76 lb (1.25 kg)	<ul> <li>8 x 10/100/1000BASE-T Ethernet RJ45 with auto negotiation and crossover detection (auto-MDIX crossover)</li> <li>2 x 1GbE SFP uplink</li> </ul>	20 Gbps
MS120-8FP-HW	1.75 x 8.97 x 8.58" (4.4 x 22.7 x 23cm)	3.42 lb (1.55 kg)	<ul> <li>8 x 10/100/1000BASE-T Ethernet RJ45 with auto negotiation and crossover detection (auto-MDIX crossover)</li> <li>2 x 1GbE SFP uplink</li> </ul>	20 Gbps

# What's Included

All Models	1 x Mounting screw kit and anchor
MS120-8-HW and MS120-8LP-HW	1 x External Power Supply

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Power Adapter

Wall Screws & Anchors

# **Power Options & Specifications**

Model	Idle / Full Load Power	Available PoE/PoE+ Power	Power Supply Configuration	Power Supply/Model Number
MS120-8-HW	5/9W	-	External Power Supply	DC 12V/2.5A, 30W, MA-PWR-30WAC
MS120-8LP-HW	7 / 88 W	67 W	External Power Supply	DC 54V/1.67A, 90W, MA-PWR-90WAC
MS120-8FP-HW	9 / 161 W	124 W	Fixed internal	DC 56V/2.7A, 150W

Meraki offers a variety of high-speed SFP pluggable optics for use with the MS120-8 Compact switches. Full specifications and compatibility information is available in the Meraki Accessories datasheet: https:// meraki.cisco.com/lib/pdf/meraki\_datasheet\_sfp.pdf

# **Specifications**

### Management

Managed via the web with the Meraki cloud management platform

Integrated with Meraki wireless and complete portfolio of IT products and solutions

Zero-touch remote provisioning (no staging needed)

Detailed historical per-port and per-client usage statistics

DHCP, client, and hostname fingerprinting

SNMP and Syslog support for integration with other network management solutions

Automatic firmware upgrades with scheduling control

### **Remote Diagnostics**

Email, SMS and mobile push notification alerts <sup>1</sup>

Cable testing and link failure detection with alerting

Live remote packet capture

Dynamic and interactive network discovery and topology

Combined event and configuration change logs with instant search

#### Stacking

Virtual Stacking supports thousands of switch ports in a single logical stack for unified management, monitoring, and configuration

#### **Ethernet Switching Capabilities**

802.1p Quality of Service, 8 queues and configurable DSCP to CoS mapping

802.1Q VLAN and trunking support for up to 4,094 VLANs

802.1w, 802.1D Rapid Spanning Tree Protocol (RSTP, STP)

Broadcast storm control

IGMP Snooping

802.1ab Link Layer Discovery Protocol (LLDP) and Cisco Discovery Protocol (CDP)

802.3ad Link aggregation with up to 8 ports per aggregate,

Port mirroring

MAC forwarding entries: 16,000

#### Security

Integrated two-factor auth	entication for Dashboard management	

Role-based access control (RBAC) with granular device and configuration control

SSO, Corporate-wide password policy enforcement

IEEE 802.1X RADIUS, hybrid authentication and RADIUS server testing

MAC-based RADIUS authentication (MAB)

Port security: Sticky MAC, MAC whitelisting

DHCP snooping, detection and blocking

STP Enhancements include BPDU guard, Root guard

IPv4 ACLs

### Performance

Switching capacity: 20Gbps

Forwarding rate: 14.88mpps with standard packet size

Jumbo frame support (9578 byte ethernet frame)

Flow control support

#### Power

Power input: 100 - 240 VAC, 47-63 Hz

Power consumption: 6 - 162 W

External power supply for MS120-8, MS120-8 LP

### Mounting

Wall or utility board mountable with included mount hardware

Desktop-mountable with included feet

Kensington lock slot included

#### Environment

Operating temperature: 0 °C to 45 °C

Humidity: 5 to 95% non-condensing

Fanless operation

#### **Regulatory**<sup>2</sup>

CSA-US (US, Canada) FCC (USA) IC (Canada) CE (Europe) RCM (Australia/New Zealand) RoHS

#### Warranty

Full lifetime hardware warranty with next-day advanced replacement included

### MTBF Ratings

<b>Model</b> MS120-8-HW	MTBF (at 25c) 784,221
MS120-8-LP-HW	502,221
/IS120-8-FP-HW	347,479

<sup>1</sup> Requires carrier-supported email to SMS gateway and/or Meraki Mobile app

<sup>2</sup> For international availability, please contact sales@meraki.com