

## Re: "smart" switch recommendations?

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Mark Bucciarelli wrote:

We are looking to buy a new smart (aka a dumbed-down managed) switch.

I read the recent Tom's Hardware review [1] of the Netgear FS728TS, and price- and feature-wise it looks like what we need EXCEPT THAT the setup utility is Windows-only and the web gui doesn't display properly in Firefox, two show-stoppers for us.

Any recommendations?

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[1] [http://www.tomsnetworking.com/2006/03/13/netgear\\_fs728ts/](http://www.tomsnetworking.com/2006/03/13/netgear_fs728ts/)

The netgear products we've used are mediocre at best. We've been buying a lot of Dell switches, and they seem to be pretty decent. They might be a bit more expensive though.

With managed switches, you often get what you pay for.

Eric

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Anything that works is better than anything that doesn't.

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