

Applications List

A more detailed discription of the applications installed on this server

- [Backrest \(for Restic\)](#)
- [Bludit](#)
- [BookStack](#)
- [Collabora Online](#)
- [InvoiceNinja 5](#)
- [JellyFin](#)

Backrest (for Restic)

Backrest for [Restic](#) is a web-based management interface that makes working with Restic backups much more approachable and easy to deal with.

Instead of relying entirely on the command line, it gives you a clean dashboard for configuring backup jobs, checking backup status, reviewing history, and handling restores with less friction.

It is especially useful for people who like Restic's reliability and efficiency but want a more convenient, visual way to manage their backup workflow. As a real "*non-tech*" type recommend this tool.

I also have this tool installed on my laptop and back up using a VPN connection to an SFTP server at home. Very useful

Bludit

Bludit is a lightweight, flat-file blogging and content management system that lets you build and manage websites without needing a database.

It's simple to use, fast, and ideal for blogs, personal sites, and small projects.

I used to use this for my website, but found the support and documentation lacking. Also for what I was using it for, it was probably overkill. I have since moved to Pure Blog, which so minimal and easy to use.

BookStack

BookStack is a self-hosted documentation and knowledge management platform designed to help create, organise, and share information in a structured way.

It uses a simple hierarchy of books, chapters, and pages, making it easy to group related content and build clear, organised documentation libraries.

BookStack is often used for internal wikis, SOPs, onboarding guides, project notes, and technical documentation because it offers a clean editing experience, strong search, and flexible permissions for controlling who can view or edit content.

With its user-friendly interface and focus on simplicity, BookStack is a practical choice for teams that want a lightweight but powerful way to keep knowledge in one place.

I use BookStack as a wiki for this website and my yunohost domain, digitalcarnage.

Collabora Online

Collabora Online with Nextcloud is a powerful document editing solution that brings real-time collaboration directly into your Nextcloud environment. It allows users to create, open, and edit office documents, spreadsheets, and presentations in the browser without needing to install desktop software.

Built on the open-source Collabora Online office suite, it supports collaborative work by letting multiple people edit the same file at once, with changes appearing instantly. Integrated with Nextcloud's file storage and sharing features, it creates a seamless workspace for teams, organisations, and personal users who want a private, self-hosted alternative to mainstream cloud productivity tools.

This combination is especially useful for teams that need secure document collaboration, version control, and centralised file management in one place. Users can access files from any device, share documents easily, and work together efficiently while keeping their data under their own control.

InvoiceNinja 5

Invoice Ninja 5 is a flexible, self-hosted invoicing and business management application designed for freelancers, small businesses, and service-based teams. It helps me create professional invoices, track payments, send estimates and quotes, manage clients, and monitor billing activity from one centralised dashboard.

Version 5 continues Invoice Ninja's focus on clean design and streamlined workflows, making it easier to handle everyday financial tasks without the complexity of larger accounting platforms.

Beyond invoicing, it also supports features such as expense tracking, recurring invoices, payment reminders, credit notes, and client portals, giving businesses a more complete view of their billing operations. Because it can be self-hosted, Invoice Ninja 5 is especially appealing to users who want more control over their data while still benefiting from a modern, polished interface and automation tools that save time.

As a self employed stage lighting designer, I use it on a regular basis.

JellyFin

Jellyfin is a free, open-source media server application that lets you organize, stream, and access your personal media collection from anywhere. It allows you to store and manage movies, TV shows, music, photos, and other media in one place, then stream that content to a wide range of devices through a web interface or compatible apps. Jellyfin is designed to give users full control over their media without subscriptions, tracking, or cloud dependence, making it a popular choice for people who want a private, self-hosted alternative to commercial streaming platforms.

In addition to media playback, Jellyfin offers helpful features such as user accounts, watch history, subtitles, metadata fetching, library organization, and support for multiple clients and devices. It is especially well suited for households, personal media collectors, and enthusiasts who want a customizable and privacy-focused way to manage their digital entertainment library.