

Deciding on a CNI

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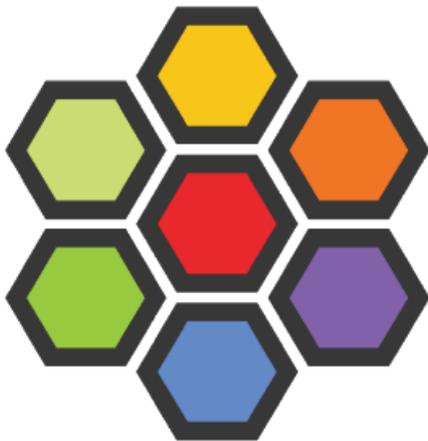
We support two different CNIs, that being Flannel and Cilium. Flannel is known for it's simplicity and Cilium for it's advanced even service mesh like features.

Flannel



Flannel focuses on the integral part that is the network connection itself. It does not provide any NetworkPolicies or traffic encryption, but it is rock solid when it comes to inter pod communication. That makes it a good choice if you want to chain CNIs and/or add a Service-Mesh on top of it.

Cilium



If you are interested in more advanced CNI features like NetworkPolicies, traffic encryption, mutual TLS and network Observability, Cilium is the right choice for you. It can provide many features that would otherwise necessitate a full blown ServiceMesh like [Istio](https://istio.io). You can find out more on their website: <https://cilium.io>.