Synology DS715

Price: RM 2,014
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Number of Bays: 2
Connectivity: Gigabit LAN x 2 **Ports:** USB 3.0 X 2
Others: Annapurna Labs Alpine AL-314 Quad Core 1.4 GHz processor
Dimensions: 157 X 103.5 X 232 mm **Weight:** 1.62KG (empty)

PCMark 8
Home: 4,160 points **Creative:** 3,909 points **Work:** 4,253 points
CrystalDiskMark
Read: 750MB/s **Write:** 740MB/s

Performance:	▣ ▣ ▣ ▢
Features:	▣ ▣ ▣ ▢
Design:	▣ ▣ ▣ ▢
Value:	▣ ▣ ▣ ▢

Easily remove the 3.5" hard drive bays with a single click

Dual connections for redundancies, as well as the e-Sata port for expandability

By Sharil Abdul Rahman

Expandable NAS

Synology's DS715 gives users option for future data explosion

Not only we are consuming more content day by day, we are generating a proportionately larger content base at the same time. Think about it – you have your smartphone snapping photos away, your digital camera with multi-megabyte RAW files, Full HD or even 4K video recordings – and all of this translates to the need to have a storage system that can grow with you. If you have a tower PC, it is easy – what if you are stuck on a laptop? The answer is a Network Attach Storage (NAS) system. Synology is one of the most popular NAS providers, and their latest NAS, the DS715, is perfect for your growing needs.

Like all Synology NAS, the DS715 has a distinctive design, and is unmistakably from Synology. What is changed from the other Synology products is the hard drive loading mechanism. It now uses a spring-loaded tray for the hard drive which can be accessed from the front for easy access. The tray can also be locked to reduce any accidental removal of the drive while in operations.

Inside, Synology has fitted the DS715 with an Annapurna Labs Alpine AL-314 quad core processor running at 1.4 GHz. There is also 2GB of RAM to help in the computation while accessing the OS for the DS715 – DiskStation Manager. Now in version 5.2, users can monitor CPU usage, RAM usage, storage levels, and even add on functions such as

Connectivity wise the DS715 features dual Gigabit ports and two USB 3.0 ports at the back. Sadly, there is not enough space for a port at the front of the unit, so you have to reach to the back if you want to plug in your external storage to transfer into the DS715.

If you need extra space for your NAS, the DS715 comes with a nifty feature – it can accept an expansion unit for additional storage on the fly. The expansion unit goes up to 53 terabytes of raw storage, so you will never run out of space for your data in the future. This makes the DS715 an excellent choice for any data needs.

+ Easy access to hard drive bay
Dual LAN port for Link Aggregation
Expandable storage through expansion unit

— None

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This NAS is perfect for SMEs who want to start the path to network-based backup and storage. It is perfect for home users as well, as it is easy to use.