

# Architecture design and benefits of a native Salesforce application

## Native Apps are built *entirely* on the Salesforce Platform



**Everything is 100% generated, delivered, and stored on Salesforce servers**

Which means native apps never require your data to leave Salesforce, ever.



**Native Apps are created using Salesforce APEX, Visualforce, and custom objects**

Built on the Lightning Platform, native apps use Salesforce's customization capabilities, so they're designed to be intuitive and simple to implement.



**Zero Reliance on External APIs**

Native apps may extend the Salesforce API, but they don't require external APIs to interface with Salesforce. This allows you to free up your API call limits even further.

## Let's Compare



### Native Salesforce App

- Built entirely on the Salesforce platform
- Store and process data within Salesforce
- Don't require API calls to function
- Always up and running when Salesforce is
- Built exclusively for Salesforce



### Non-Native Salesforce App

- Leverage external clouds like AWS or Azure
- Process and store your data outside Salesforce
- API calls required to interface with Salesforce
- Uptime is dependent on external clouds
- Can be used outside of Salesforce

## Benefits

### Speed

- No network traffic between clouds
- Minimal API calls
- All code is housed within Salesforce

### Security

- Automatically compliant with Salesforce's security policies
- Your data NEVER leaves Salesforce
- Conforms to existing security settings and sharing rules

### Ease of Use

- Mirror the look and feel of Salesforce
- Shorter implementation timeline
- Virtually no integration

### Reliability

- Relies on Salesforce's servers: If Salesforce is up, so is your native app
- Future-compatible with Salesforce updates
- Complies with strict government data residency requirements