

# Linux Hints, Top Tips, and FAQs

Here are some of the Linux hints and documentation that seems to be woefully lacking or just misleading on the greater wider Internet.

## Setting iDRAC8 Server info

This applies to Dell servers of course. First off, install `ipmitools`:

```
apt-get update; apt-get install ipmitools
```

To find out the options available in `ipmitools`, run:

```
ipmitools help
```

and there is a manpage available too.

To set the iDRAC8 System Host Name, you want:

```
ipmitools mc setsysinfo system_name HOSTNAME
```

To set the iDRAC8 Operating System, you want:

```
ipmitools mc setsysinfo os_name OSNAME
```

To set the iDRAC8 Operating System Version, you want:

```
ipmitools mc setsysinfo dellloem_os_version OSVERSION
```

And that's it - after that, if you refresh the iDRAC8 Server Overview screen you will see the changes you made.

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