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G-Cloud 15 Framework

DevOps Strategy and Architecture - Service
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About Black Marble

Black Marble is a UK based, medium-sized company **with a security cleared workforce**. We have a reputation for a clear and direct approach to solving complex business problems and specialise in new user experiences on innovative technologies across a variety of form-factors and screen types.

We are a Microsoft Partner and internationally recognised experts, delivering solutions across the Microsoft platform from Azure and integration tools like Logic Apps and BizTalk, to Windows Development and MAUI. For over four years, Black Marble have received three Worldwide Microsoft Partner of the Year Awards and have been finalists in five additional categories.

We have a track record in delivering solutions using the key Microsoft building blocks, ensuring our customers benefit from solutions which address business challenges that are efficient and effective. Plus, with 3 Microsoft Most Valuable Professionals (MVPs), a team of Microsoft Certified Professionals, and 1 Microsoft Regional Director, we ensure you have the best people to deliver your solutions.

Black Marble has been on the G-Cloud framework for several years and has a wealth of experience delivering solutions for the Public Sector. Our customers range from the emergency services and health authorities to Government organisations.

View a selection of our customer stories at www.blackmarble.com/case-studies/.

G-Cloud 15 Service Description

DevOps Strategy and Architecture

Our DevOps Consultancy service helps organisations implement effective, modern DevOps practices that accelerate the application lifecycle and improve predictability, quality, and delivery flow. We bring together people, processes, and technology to automate software delivery and establish continuous value across development and operations.

Using Azure DevOps, Git, pipelines, automated testing, and cloud-aligned engineering practices, our consultants support organisations in modernising tooling, optimising release processes, and embedding best-practice automation into end-to-end delivery pipelines. We work collaboratively with customer teams to enhance capability, uplift development maturity, and remove delivery bottlenecks.

At the core of most engagements are our DevOps / Azure Workshops, typically a 1-day onsite session followed by 2 days of offsite write-up, depending on project scale. These free-ranging workshops form the foundation for wider engagements, enabling us to assess current practices, identify challenges, and co-design a practical roadmap for improvement. Workshop durations can be extended where projects are larger or require deeper review.

These workshops provide structured outputs, including prioritised recommendations, improvement plans, and a set of actionable “mini-projects” that form the basis of future DevOps optimisation work. Engagements are fully tailored to customer goals, maturity level, and technology landscape.

What This Service Provides

Our DevOps Consultancy service helps organisations adopt modern DevOps practices that streamline and automate the full software delivery lifecycle. We assist teams in improving build, test, and release processes by implementing Azure DevOps pipelines, automated testing, Git workflows, and best-practice development and operational processes.

A core part of the service is our DevOps / Azure Workshops, typically delivered as a 1-day onsite session followed by 2 days of tailored analysis and recommendations. These workshops assess current tooling, processes, and team practices, and identify opportunities to optimise delivery flow, reduce friction, and uplift DevOps maturity. They can be extended for larger or more complex projects.

Our consultants provide hands-on support in configuring or enhancing Azure DevOps environments, setting up CI/CD pipelines, enabling automated testing, and delivering targeted, consultant-led training in Git, Azure DevOps, and modern engineering practices. Each engagement is flexible and tailored to customer needs, ensuring practical, actionable improvements.

Outcomes

By engaging with our DevOps Consultancy and Workshops, organisations gain:

- A clear set of prioritised improvement actions, produced through workshop analysis and documented as a list of recommended 'mini-projects' to guide future DevOps enhancement work.
- A structured report capturing findings and next steps, providing a practical roadmap for maturing DevOps processes, tooling, and team practices.
- Improved visibility of delivery challenges and a shared understanding between stakeholders, enabling better planning, alignment, and decision-making.
- Enhanced readiness for follow-on implementation, including pipeline optimisation, automation, and engineering uplift work identified during workshops.
- Accelerated progress toward operational efficiency, as the recommended actions focus on removing bottlenecks and improving flow through modern DevOps techniques.

Features

- Highly skilled and experienced consultants
- 3 x Microsoft Most Valuable Professionals

Benefits

- Requirements Gathering
- Cost Effectiveness
- Innovative solutions
- Flexible approach
- Governance & compliance

Black Marble Services

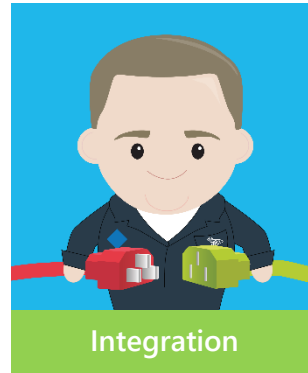
At Black Marble we provide a whole range of services across the Microsoft platform, from integrated solutions to DevOps and Azure. At our core we provide custom application development, utilising our skills and experience to produce innovative solutions for our customers.

We have taken advantage of the breadth of the Windows Platform, and our host of talented developers, to create solutions that make a real difference to our enterprise-level customers. Our award-winning frontline policing application, tuServ, is a prime example: a solution that increased patrol-time for officers, saving 1 hour 30+ minutes a day per officer, as well as greatly improving the quality of the data available to officers. Our pioneering team can bring your projects to life, making digital transformation a reality: for you, your business, and your customers.

- Cloud Optimisation – Cloud Planning, Cloud Hackathons, Application Architecture and Modernisation, and Cloud Application Implementation.
- Systems Integration – Integration Planning, Integration Health Check, Integration Performance Review, Integration Migration and Integration Implementation.
- Application Development – Application Design, Adopting and Enhancing Application services, Application Implementation and Application Code Review, including AI, App Modernisation, and Rescue Projects.
- Development Operations – DevOps Planning, DevOps Hackathon, DevOps Implementation, Azure DevOps/Services Migration, DevOps Tools Consolidation and ARM Templates, Bicep, and GitHub Migration, Planning and Implementation.

Black Marble Consultancy

We have a highly skilled and experienced team of consultants that can provide specialist expertise and advice to our customers across the Microsoft platform (Azure, AI, Integration, Logic Apps, BizTalk, DevOps, GitHub, SharePoint, Office 365, Maui and the Windows Platform).



We can target your primary software development requirements, whether you need in-house staff augmentation or are looking for an outside partner to take complete responsibility for designing and developing the software you need to run your business or assist with a project or process implementation.

The application of Black Marble's accumulated knowledge to a client's situation often provides innovative, and unexpected solutions. Bring the best to your organisation through taking advantage of our Consultants' skills and knowledge acquired over years working with customers - solving their problems and providing elegant solutions.

"Black Marble has extensive knowledge across the Microsoft stack, so I know when I recommend they speak to a customer they will be able to provide a holistic approach to meet their needs. Plus, they have a strong, ethical philosophy which means I know they won't push a solution that's not needed. When customers approach Microsoft for advice we need to know we're pointing them towards a partner they can trust – & Black Marble has proven our faith in them again & again." - Architect Evangelist, Microsoft Ireland.

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