# XR500 Nighthawk® Pro Gaming Router

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## **Advanced Gaming & Streaming**

XR500 Nighthawk<sup>®</sup> Pro Gaming WiFi Router uses state-of-the-art software to optimize your internet connection by stabilizing ping, reducing lag spikes, and keeping you in the game with reliable wired and wireless connectivity for fast-paced gaming. Personalize your gaming dashboard to view real-time bandwidth utilization by device, ping and many other parameters. Limit lag and get a guaranteed local connection with Geo Filter or enable Quality of Service for prioritized gaming devices and allocated bandwidth.



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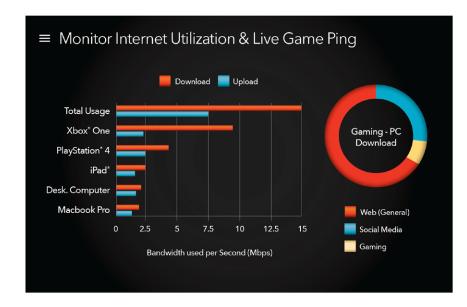
### **Guarantee Local Connection & Eliminate Lag**

Geo Filter lets you fix your gaming lag by limiting distance to servers or other players. You can get a guaranteed local connection and create a blacklist or whitelist of your preferred servers.



## Monitor Internet Utilization & Live Game Ping

Keep an eye on real-time bandwidth utilization with the Internet Utilization Monitor. Reveal bandwidth-hogging devices and identify the applications which could be causing lag and slowing your game.



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## **Prioritize Your Gaming Traffic**

Prioritize gaming devices and allocate bandwidth by device to eliminate lag due to queuing at the ISP network with Quality of Service (QoS). Control the maximum upload and download speeds per device on the network to minimize sudden lag spikes while gaming.



## **Customizable Dashboard**

Personalize your gaming dashboard to view real-time bandwidth utilization by device, ping and many other parameters on a single screen.

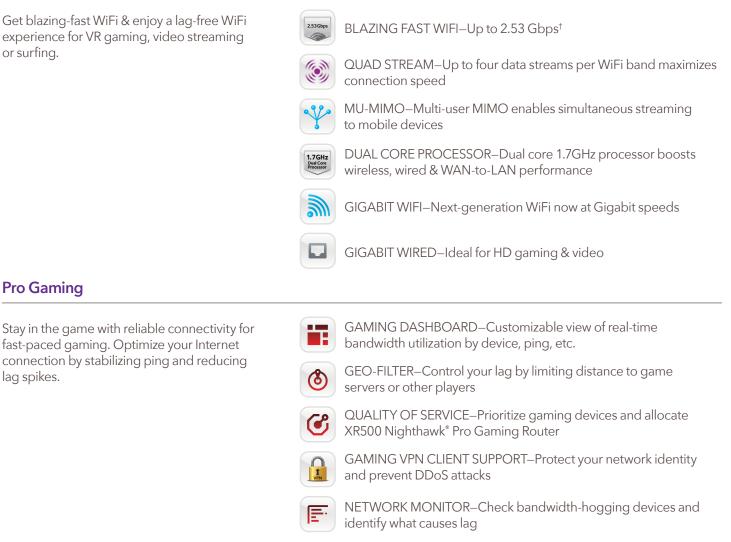


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### Speed



## WiFi Range

Got range? Homes come in all shapes and sizes and the XR500 Nighthawk<sup>®</sup> Pro Gaming Router provides WiFi coverage no matter where you connect in your home.



ULTIMATE RANGE–WiFi coverage throughout very large homes

ANTENNAS-High-power amplifiers with 4 external antennas

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### Sharing

With NETGEAR, sharing across your network is fun and easy, anything from accessing stored photos & music to wireless printing. And make sure you keep it safe by using the included ReadySHARE Vault application for backing up Windows-based PCs.

READYSHARE® USB ACCESS–Wirelessly access & share USB hard drive & printer via two (2) USB ports



TWO SUPERSPEED USB 3.0 PORTS–Up to 10x faster than USB 2.0



READYSHARE® VAULT–PC software automatically backs up to USB hard drive connected to the router

## **Reliable Connections**

There's nothing more frustrating than lost connections! With NETGEAR's advanced features & best-in-class technology, you'll reduce interference & enjoy more reliable WiFi connectivity.

BEAMFORMING+–Boosts speed, reliability, & range of WiFi connections



SIMULTANEOUS DUAL BAND WIFI–Supports two WiFi bands simultaneously to double the available bandwidth and provide a reliable, dedicated WiFi network for smooth online gaming without any network congestion



ADDITIONAL DFS CHANNELS–15 more channels in 5GHz for interference free gaming experience

## Ease Of Use

Start enjoying your new device faster than ever. NETGEAR wants to make sure installation and management is simple & easy, so you can connect quickly & make sure you stay that way!

- EASY INSTALL–Easy setup for iPad®, tablets, smartphones & computers
- PUSH 'N' CONNECT-Easy push button WiFi connections (WPS)



POWER ON/OFF–Convenient power savings



LED ON/OFF SWITCH–Easily turn LEDs on or off

#### Security

Maintain high security across your network to ensure your privacy & family is safe while online. Whether it's preventing phishing & spyware or just limiting access for kids & guests, NETGEAR has you covered.

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VPN SUPPORT–OpenVPN Connect app on iOS and Android® allows remote secure access to the home network



SECURE WIFI CONNECTIONS–High level wireless security with WPA/WPA2



GAMING VPN CLIENT SUPPORT–Protect your network identity and prevent DDoS attacks



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#### Multi-User MIMO (MU-MIMO)

Traditional WiFi routers can stream data to only one device in the home at a time. When multiple devices are connected to the router, each device needs to take its turn, and then wait before receiving more data. This can lead to slower network and Internet speeds. Using Multi-User MIMO technology, NETGEAR routers can stream data to multiple devices simultaneously. With MU-MIMO, your WiFi network can deliver faster throughput to every MU-MIMO connected device. That means faster downloads and smoother streaming for your devices.





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## ReadySHARE<sup>®</sup> Vault–Automatic backup for Window PCs

ReadySHARE Vault is a free app that provides automatic, continuous backup of Windows PCs to the USB hard drive connected to the Nighthawk<sup>®</sup> X10. The app has a wonderfully simple interface with intuitive backup settings—simply setup and forget and be assured that all your data on various home PCs in the home network is being continuously backed up. Never worry about losing your data again. Easy single click setup to back up the Window PCs on the home network.

- Automatic, continuous incremental backup of all the changes
- Easily restore deleted files by going back to older snapshots
- Safeguard all your precious data, photos, videos

### Beamforming+–For More Reliable Connections

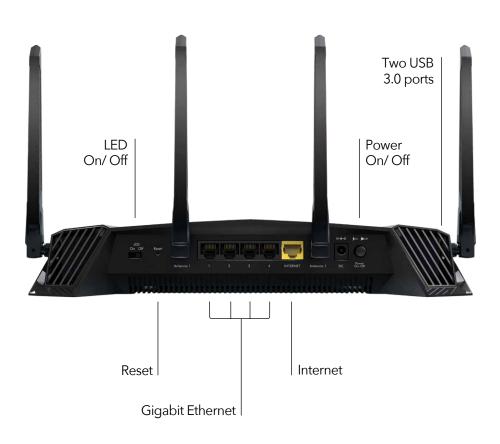
Unlike typical WiFi routers that just blast the WiFi signals in all directions, with Beamforming+ the router & device communicate with each other, so the router can directly beam the WiFi signal to the device. Boosting speed, reliability, and range for both Implicit and Explicit 2.4 & 5GHz WiFi devices, the result is a stronger, faster, more reliable connection that is locked in even when the device is moved around the home.

- WiFi Signal Focus–Focuses signals from the wireless router to WiFi devices like smartphones, tablets & laptops
- Automatic Signal Management-Checks with your device to keep WiFi signal at its optimal strength
- Device Connections–Designed for home environments to support multiple WiFi device connections for highest quality
- WiFi Coverage-Reduces dead spots, & boosts signal strength
- Implicit & Explicit Beamforming boosts speed, reliability & range for both 2.4 & 5GHz WiFi-an industry first



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# **Connection Diagram**



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#### PACKAGE CONTENTS

- XR500 Nighthawk Pro Gaming Router (XR500)
- 4 detachable antennas
- Ethernet cable
- Quick start guide
- Power adapter

#### PHYSICAL SPECIFICATIONS

- Dimensions: 12.7 x 9.6 x 2.2 in (321.9 x 243.7 x 55.0 mm)
- Weight: 1.77lb (801g)

#### **STANDARDS**

- Two (2) USB 3.0 ports
- IEEE<sup>®</sup> 802.11 b/g/n 2.4GHz + 256 QAM support
- IEEE\* 802.11 a/n/ac 5.0GHz
- Five (5) 10/100/1000 Mbps–(1 WAN & 4 LAN) Gigabit Ethernet ports

#### **TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

- AC2600 (800 Mbps @2.4GHz-256QAM support +1733 Mbps @5GHz 11ac)<sup>†</sup>
- Simultaneous Dual Band WiFi
  Tx/Rx 4x4 (2.4GHz)+ 4x4 (5GHz)
- 4x4 11ac 80MHz + 2x2-160/80+80MHz
- Multi-User MIMO (MU-MIMO)
- Powerful dual core 1.7GHz processor
- Four (4) high-performance external antennas
- Memory: 128 MB flash and 512 MB RAM
- IPv6 support (Internet Protocol Version 6)
- On/Off LED light switch

#### **Key Features**

- Gaming Dashboard–Customizable view of real-time bandwidth utilization by device, ping, etc.
- Geo-Filter–Control your lag by limiting distance to game servers or other players
- Gaming VPN Client Support–Protect your network identity and prevent DoS attacks
- Network Monitor–Check bandwidthhogging devices and identify what causes lag
- Quad Stream & 160MHz for faster speeds
- MU-MIMO support for simultaneous streaming
- Quality of Service–Prioritize gaming devices and allocate bandwidth by device
- Beamforming+ for more reliable connections
- ReadySHARE<sup>®</sup> USB to share your USB hard drive & printer
- ReadySHARE<sup>®</sup> Vault–PC software for automatic backup to USB hard drive connected to the router

#### SUPPORT

- 90-day complimentary technical support following purchase from a NETGEAR authorized reseller.
- Join the NETGEAR Community Forum. Visit http://community.netgear.com

#### System Requirements

- Microsoft<sup>®</sup> Windows 7, 8, 10, Vista<sup>®</sup>, XP<sup>®</sup>, 2000, Mac OS<sup>®</sup>, UNIX<sup>®</sup>, or Linux<sup>®</sup>
- Microsoft<sup>®</sup> Internet Explorer<sup>®</sup> 11 or higher, Microsoft Edge, Google Chrome<sup>™</sup> 55 or higher, Firefox<sup>®</sup> 45 or higher, Safari<sup>®</sup> 10 or higher

#### SECURITY

- VPN support-secure remote access
- WiFi Protected Access<sup>®</sup> (WPA/WPA2–PSK)
- Double firewall protection (SPI and NAT)
- Denial-of-service (DoS) attack prevention

#### WARRANTY

• www.netgear.com/warranty



This product comes with a limited warranty that is valid only if purchased from a NETGEAR authorized reseller.

<sup>†</sup>Maximum wireless signal rate derived from IEEE 802.11 specifications. Actual data throughput and wireless coverage will vary and may be lowered by network and environmental conditions, including network traffic volume and building construction. NETGEAR makes no representations or warranties about this product's compatibility with future standards. <sup>‡</sup>MU-MIMO capability requires both router and client device to support MU-MIMO.

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