


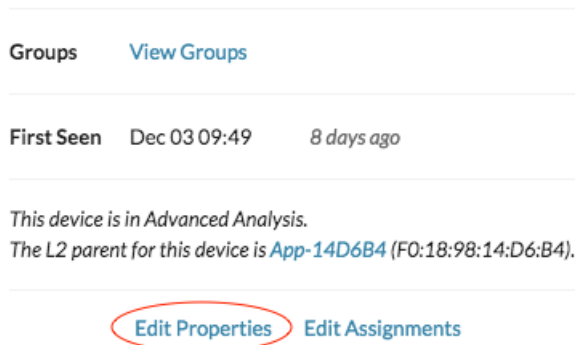
Change a device name

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The ExtraHop system automatically names devices by passively monitoring naming protocol traffic (DNS, DHCP, NETBIOS, CDP). If naming protocol traffic is not observed for a device, the device name displays the IP address for L3 devices or the MAC address for L2 devices. In either condition, you can change the automatic device name to a custom name. The custom name will appear throughout the ExtraHop system.

 **Note:** The ExtraHop system does not perform DNS lookups for device names. The ExtraHop system derives the DNS name for a device by observing DNS traffic over wire data. For more information, see [Device discovery](#).

1. Log into the Web UI on the Discover or Command appliance.
2. Click **Metrics** and select **Device** in the left pane.
3. [Find a device](#) and then click the device name.
The Overview page appears, which displays traffic and protocol activity for the selected device.
4. Click **Edit Properties**.



The screenshot shows the 'Groups' section with a 'View Groups' link. Below that, the 'First Seen' information is displayed as 'Dec 03 09:49' and '8 days ago'. A note states 'This device is in Advanced Analysis.' and 'The L2 parent for this device is App-14D6B4 (F0:18:98:14:D6:B4)'. At the bottom, there are two buttons: 'Edit Properties' (circled in red) and 'Edit Assignments'.

5. Click **Display custom name**.
6. Type a custom name in the field.
7. Click **Done**.