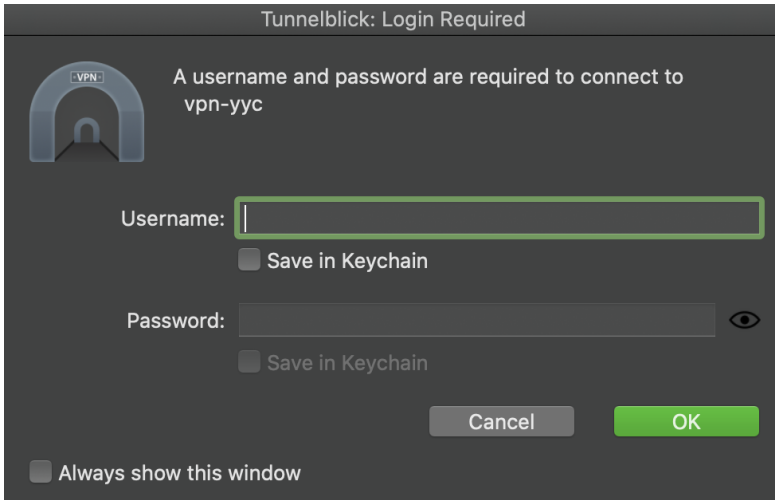# Using the Command Line Interface (CLI) via SSH

If you wish to use the command line interface (CLI) for automation purposes or for convenience, a Rapid Access Cloud VPN is still needed (see the Rapid Access Cloud Virtual Private Network document for more information).

Once created, you can follow these steps:

1. Log in to Rapid Access Cloud VPN:

2. Log in to your RAC account and locate your VFS instance:

	Instance Name	Image Name	IP Address	Flavor	Key Pair	Status	Availability Zone	Task	Power State	Time since created	Actions
☐	test03-vfs	panos-9.0	**default** 10.1.5.146 2605:fd00:4:1000:f816:3eff:fe30:f515 **trust0** 172.16.145.1 172.16.95.1 **untrust0** 162.246.159.253	f1.medium	logan_cloud	Active	nova	None	Running	35 minutes	Create Snapshot ▾

3. Open a command line terminal and type "ssh <username>@10.X.X.X".
   The username is usually "admin" but it can be any other username added as a firewall administrator.
   Once you are connected, you are then able to interact with the firewall through the command line interface.