



How to setup PostgreSQL and PGAdmin on Manjaro Linux / Arch

This guide is here just because I've messed up the installs on arch before, and turns out it's actually pretty easy to do.



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```
sudo pacman -S yay
yay postgresql pgadmin4
```

This should automatically setup your postgres user and group.

Step 2 — Setup postgres service

```
sudo -u postgres -i # login as postgres
initdb --locale $LANG -E UTF8 -D '/var/lib/postgres/data/'
exit

sudo systemctl enable --now postgresql
sudo systemctl status postgresql # to check for any errors
```

Step 3 — Setup password

```
psql -U postgres
postgres=# \password # to set password
```

Step 4 — Setup connection security

```
$ su
# cd /var/lib/postgres/data
# cp pg_hba.conf pg_hba.conf.backup # in case you mess up
# nano pg_hba.conf
```

Your default pg_hba.conf might look like this:









```
# IPv4 local connections:
        all
                         all
                                          127.0.0.1/32
host
                                                                   trust
# IPv6 local connections:
host
        all
                         all
                                          ::1/128
                                                                   trust
# Allow replication connections from localhost, by a user with the
# replication privilege.
local
        replication
                         all
                                                                   trust
        replication
                         all
                                          127.0.0.1/32
host
                                                                   trust
        replication
                         all
                                          ::1/128
host
                                                                   trust
```

"Method" is set to trust, meaning it won't ask for the password to anyone. To fix that, change the method from trust to md5 everywhere.

And that should be it for postgres!

Bonus: shortcuts

```
postgres=# \c # see current database
postgres=# \l # see list of databases
postgres=# \c dbname # set database
```

> psql dbname postgres # to directly open a database

Step 6 — PgAdmin

Open up pgadmin, click on "Add New Server", and add the following:

Host: localhost

Port: 5432

Maintenance database: postgres

Username: postgres

Password: <your password>







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