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Complete Docker CLI

 Cheatsheet for Docker CLI			
Run a new Container	Manage Containers	Manage Images	Info & Stats
<p>Start a new Container from an Image</p> <pre>docker run IMAGE docker run nginx</pre> <p>...and assign it a name</p> <pre>docker run --name CONTAINER IMAGE docker run --name web nginx</pre> <p>...and map a port</p> <pre>docker run -p HOSTPORT:CONTAINERPORT IMAGE docker run -p 8080:80 nginx</pre> <p>...and map all ports</p> <pre>docker run -P IMAGE docker run -P nginx</pre> <p>...and start container in background</p> <pre>docker run -d IMAGE docker run -d nginx</pre> <p>...and assign it a hostname</p> <pre>docker run --hostname HOSTNAME IMAGE docker run --hostname srv nginx</pre> <p>...and add a dns entry</p> <pre>docker run --add-host HOSTNAME:IP IMAGE</pre> <p>...and map a local directory into the container</p> <pre>docker run -v HOSTDIR:TARGETDIR IMAGE docker run -v ~/:/usr/share/nginx/html nginx</pre> <p>...but change the entrypoint</p> <pre>docker run -it --entrypoint EXECUTABLE IMAGE docker run -it --entrypoint bash nginx</pre>	<p>Show a list of running containers</p> <pre>docker ps</pre> <p>Show a list of all containers</p> <pre>docker ps -a</pre> <p>Delete a container</p> <pre>docker rm CONTAINER docker rm web</pre> <p>Delete a running container</p> <pre>docker rm -f CONTAINER docker rm -f web</pre> <p>Delete stopped containers</p> <pre>docker container prune</pre> <p>Stop a running container</p> <pre>docker stop CONTAINER docker stop web</pre> <p>Start a stopped container</p> <pre>docker start CONTAINER docker start web</pre> <p>Copy a file from a container to the host</p> <pre>docker cp CONTAINER:SOURCE TARGET docker cp web:/index.html index.html</pre> <p>Copy a file from the host to a container</p> <pre>docker cp TARGET CONTAINER:SOURCE docker cp index.html web:/index.html</pre> <p>Start a shell inside a running container</p> <pre>docker exec -it CONTAINER EXECUTABLE docker exec -it web bash</pre> <p>Rename a container</p> <pre>docker rename OLD_NAME NEW_NAME docker rename 096 web</pre> <p>Create an image out of container</p> <pre>docker commit CONTAINER docker commit web</pre>	<p>Download an image</p> <pre>docker pull IMAGE[:TAG] docker pull nginx</pre> <p>Upload an image to a repository</p> <pre>docker push IMAGE docker push myimage:1.0</pre> <p>Delete an image</p> <pre>docker rmi IMAGE</pre> <p>Show a list of all Images</p> <pre>docker images</pre> <p>Delete dangling images</p> <pre>docker image prune</pre> <p>Delete all unused images</p> <pre>docker image prune -a</pre> <p>Build an image from a Dockerfile</p> <pre>docker build DIRECTORY docker build .</pre> <p>Tag an image</p> <pre>docker tag IMAGE NEWIMAGE docker tag ubuntu ubuntu:18.04</pre> <p>Build and tag an image from a Dockerfile</p> <pre>docker build -t IMAGE DIRECTORY docker build -t myimage .</pre> <p>Save an image to .tar file</p> <pre>docker save IMAGE > FILE docker save nginx > nginx.tar</pre> <p>Load an image from a .tar file</p> <pre>docker load -i TARFILE docker load -i nginx.tar</pre>	<p>Show the logs of a container</p> <pre>docker logs CONTAINER docker logs web</pre> <p>Show stats of running containers</p> <pre>docker stats</pre> <p>Show processes of container</p> <pre>docker top CONTAINER docker top web</pre> <p>Show installed docker version</p> <pre>docker version</pre> <p>Get detailed info about an object</p> <pre>docker inspect NAME docker inspect nginx</pre> <p>Show all modified files in container</p> <pre>docker diff CONTAINER docker diff web</pre> <p>Show mapped ports of a container</p> <pre>docker port CONTAINER docker port web</pre>

Container Management CLIs

Container management commands

command	description
<code>docker create image [command]</code> <code>docker run image [command]</code>	create the container = <code>create</code> + <code>start</code>
<code>docker start container...</code> <code>docker stop container...</code> <code>docker kill container...</code> <code>docker restart container...</code>	start the container graceful ² stop kill (SIGKILL) the container = <code>stop</code> + <code>start</code>
<code>docker pause container...</code> <code>docker unpause container...</code>	suspend the container resume the container
<code>docker rm [-f³] container...</code>	destroy the container

²send SIGTERM to the main process + SIGKILL 10 seconds later

³`-f` allows removing running containers (= `docker kill` + `docker rm`)

Inspecting The Container

Inspecting the container

command	description
<code>docker ps</code>	list running containers
<code>docker ps -a</code>	list all containers
<code>docker logs [-f⁶] container</code>	show the container output (<i>stdout+stderr</i>)
<code>docker top container [ps options]</code>	list the processes running inside the containers
<code>docker diff container</code>	show the differences with the image (modified files)
<code>docker inspect container...</code>	show low-level infos (in json format)

Interacting with Container

Interacting with the container

command	description
<code>docker attach container</code>	attach to a running container (stdin/stdout/stderr)
<code>docker cp container:path hostpath docker cp hostpath - container:path</code>	copy files from the container copy files into the container
<code>docker export container</code>	export the content of the container (tar archive)
<code>docker exec container args...</code>	run a command in an existing container (useful for debugging)
<code>docker wait container</code>	wait until the container terminates and return the exit code
<code>docker commit container image</code>	commit a new docker image (snapshot of the container)

Image Management Commands

Image management commands

command	description
<code>docker images</code>	list all local images
<code>docker history image</code>	show the image history (list of ancestors)
<code>docker inspect image...</code>	show low-level infos (in json format)
<code>docker tag image tag</code>	tag an image
<code>docker commit container image</code>	create an image (from a container)
<code>docker import url - [tag]</code>	create an image (from a tarball)
<code>docker rmi image...</code>	delete images

Image Transfer Commands

Image transfer commands

Using the registry API

<code>docker pull repo[:tag]...</code>	pull an image/repo from a registry
<code>docker push repo[:tag]...</code>	push an image/repo from a registry
<code>docker search text</code>	search an image on the official registry
<code>docker login ...</code>	login to a registry
<code>docker logout ...</code>	logout from a registry

Manual transfer

<code>docker save repo[:tag]...</code>	export an image/repo as a tarball
<code>docker load</code>	load images from a tarball
<code>docker-ssh¹⁰ ...</code>	proposed script to transfer images between two daemons over ssh

Builder Main Commands

Builder main commands

command	description
FROM <i>image scratch</i>	base image for the build
MAINTAINER <i>email</i>	name of the mainainer (metadata)
COPY <i>path dst</i>	copy <i>path</i> from the context into the container at location <i>dst</i>
ADD <i>src dst</i>	same as COPY but untar archives and accepts http urls
RUN <i>args...</i>	run an arbitrary command inside the container
USER <i>name</i>	set the default username
WORKDIR <i>path</i>	set the default working directory
CMD <i>args...</i>	set the default command
ENV <i>name value</i>	set an environment variable

The Docker CLI

Manage images

docker build

```
docker build [options] .  
-t "app/container_name" # name
```

Create an `image` from a Dockerfile.

docker run

```
docker run [options] IMAGE  
# see `docker create` for options
```

Run a command in an `image` .

Manage containers

`docker create`

```
docker create [options] IMAGE
-a, --attach          # attach stdout/err
-i, --interactive     # attach stdin (interactive)
-t, --tty             # pseudo-tty
    --name NAME       # name your image
-p, --publish 5000:5000 # port map
    --expose 5432      # expose a port to linked containers
-P, --publish-all    # publish all ports
    --link container:alias # linking
-v, --volume `pwd`:/app # mount (absolute paths needed)
-e, --env NAME=hello   # env vars
```

Example

```
$ docker create --name app_redis_1 \
  --expose 6379 \
  redis:3.0.2
```

Create a `container` from an `image` .

`docker exec`

```
docker exec [options] CONTAINER COMMAND
-d, --detach      # run in background
-i, --interactive # stdin
-t, --tty         # interactive
```

Example

```
$ docker exec app_web_1 tail logs/development.log
$ docker exec -t -i app_web_1 rails c
```

Run commands in a `container` .

docker start

```
docker start [options] CONTAINER
-a, --attach      # attach stdout/err
-i, --interactive # attach stdin

docker stop [options] CONTAINER
```

Start/stop a container .

docker ps

```
$ docker ps
$ docker ps -a
$ docker kill $ID
```

Manage container s using ps/kill.

Images

docker images

```
$ docker images
REPOSITORY    TAG       ID
ubuntu        12.10     b750fe78269d
me/myapp       latest    7b2431a8d968
```

```
$ docker images -a # also show intermediate
```

Manages image s.

docker rmi

```
docker rmi b750fe78269d
```

Deletes image s.

Also see

- [Getting Started](#) (*docker.io*)

Dockerfile

Inheritance


```
FROM ruby:2.2.2
```

Variables

```
ENV APP_HOME /myapp  
RUN mkdir $APP_HOME
```

Initialization

```
RUN bundle install
```

```
WORKDIR /myapp
```

```
VOLUME ["/data"]  
# Specification for mount point
```

```
ADD file.xyz /file.xyz  
COPY --chown=user:group host_file.xyz /path/container_file.xyz
```

Onbuild

```
ONBUILD RUN bundle install  
# when used with another file
```

Commands

```
EXPOSE 5900  
CMD ["bundle", "exec", "rails", "server"]
```

Entrypoint

```
ENTRYPOINT ["executable", "param1", "param2"]  
ENTRYPOINT command param1 param2
```

Configures a container that will run as an executable.

```
ENTRYPOINT exec top -b
```

This will use shell processing to substitute shell variables, and will ignore any `CMD` or `docker run` command line arguments.

Metadata

```
LABEL version="1.0"
```

```
LABEL "com.example.vendor"="ACME Incorporated"
```

```
LABEL com.example.label-with-value="foo"
```

```
LABEL description="This text illustrates \  
that label-values can span multiple lines."
```

See also

- <https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/builder/>

docker-compose

Basic example

```
# docker-compose.yml  
version: '2'  
  
services:  
  web:  
    build: .  
    # build from Dockerfile  
    context: ./Path  
    dockerfile: Dockerfile  
    ports:  
      - "5000:5000"  
    volumes:  
      - ./code  
  redis:  
    image: redis
```

Commands

```
docker-compose start  
docker-compose stop
```

```
docker-compose pause  
docker-compose unpause
```

```
docker-compose ps  
docker-compose up  
docker-compose down
```

Reference

Building

```
web:
  # build from Dockerfile
  build: .
```

```
# build from custom Dockerfile
build:
  context: ./dir
  dockerfile: Dockerfile.dev
```

```
# build from image
image: ubuntu
image: ubuntu:14.04
image: tutum/influxdb
image: example-registry:4000/postgresql
image: a4bc65fd
```

Ports

```
ports:
  - "3000"
  - "8000:80" # guest:host
```

```
# expose ports to linked services (not to host)
expose: ["3000"]
```

Commands

```
# command to execute
command: bundle exec thin -p 3000
command: [bundle, exec, thin, -p, 3000]
```

```
# override the entrypoint
entrypoint: /app/start.sh
entrypoint: [php, -d, vendor/bin/phpunit]
```

Environment variables

```
# environment vars
environment:
  RACK_ENV: development
```

```
environment:  
  - RACK_ENV=development
```

```
# environment vars from file  
env_file: .env  
env_file: [.env, .development.env]
```

Dependencies

```
# makes the `db` service available as the hostname `database`  
# (implies depends_on)  
links:  
  - db:database  
  - redis
```

```
# make sure `db` is alive before starting  
depends_on:  
  - db
```

Other options

```
# make this service extend another  
extends:  
  file: common.yml # optional  
  service: webapp
```

```
volumes:  
  - /var/lib/mysql  
  - ./_data:/var/lib/mysql
```

Advanced features

Labels

```
services:  
  web:  
    labels:  
      com.example.description: "Accounting web app"
```

DNS servers

```
services:  
  web:  
    dns: 8.8.8.8  
    dns:
```

- 8.8.8.8
- 8.8.4.4

Devices

```
services:
  web:
    devices:
      - "/dev/ttyUSB0:/dev/ttyUSB0"
```

External links

```
services:
  web:
    external_links:
      - redis_1
      - project_db_1:mysql
```

Hosts

```
services:
  web:
    extra_hosts:
      - "somehost:192.168.1.100"
```

services

To view list of all the services running in swarm

```
docker service ls
```

To see all running services

```
docker stack services stack_name
```

to see all services logs

```
docker service logs stack_name service_name
```

To scale services quickly across qualified node

```
docker service scale stack_name_service_name=replicas
```

clean up

To clean or prune unused (dangling) images

```
docker image prune
```

To remove all images which are not in use containers , add - a

```
docker image prune -a
```

To prune your entire system

```
docker system prune
```

To leave swarm

```
docker swarm leave
```

To remove swarm (deletes all volume data and database info)

```
docker stack rm stack_name
```

To kill all running containers

```
docker kill $(docekr ps -q )
```

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