

# Docker Tips, Tricks, and Notes

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### What would be a quick start for a containerised app

Follow a 3-step process:

1. Define a Dockerfile for your app's environment so it can be replicated anywhere.
2. Define a Docker Compose file for the services needed in your app.
3. Run the following command in the working directory where these above mentioned files are located:

```
docker compose up
```

### What is Docker Compose?

Docker Compose is a tool for running multi-container applications on Docker defined using the Compose file format.

### What is a Compose file?

The Compose file is a YAML file that defines services, networks, volumes, configurations and secrets. The default name of the Compose file can be `compose.yaml`, `compose.yml`, `docker-compose.yaml`, or `docker-compose.yml`.