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Easiest way to install is by pathogen

Just modify the vimrc execute pathogen#infect()



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C-h f describe a function.

C-h k describe a function a key runs.

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M-x package-list-packages



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