

Roadmap For Python for Data Analysis + REST APIs



Overall Goal:

- Learn **Python for Data Analysis**
 - Master **REST APIs** with authentication techniques
 - Work with **real-world data** (pull from APIs, analyze, and visualize)
 - Build **mini-projects** for practice and portfolio
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Chapter 1: Python Refresher (1 Week)



What to Learn:

- Data Types, Variables, Comments
- Operators, Conditional Statements
- Loops (for, while)
- Functions (with args/kwargs)
- List, Tuple, Dictionary, Set
- Basic Exception Handling



Resources:

- [W3Schools Python Basics](#)
 - [Python Programming \(freeCodeCamp\)](#)
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Chapter 2: Intermediate Python for Data (1.5 Weeks)



What to Learn:

- List Comprehension
- Lambda Functions

- Map, Filter, Reduce
- Error Handling (try-except-else-finally)
- Working with Files (read, write CSV/JSON)
- Python Modules & Imports

Resources:

- [Real Python – Intermediate Python](#)
 - [Python Docs - File Handling](#)
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Chapter 3: NumPy and Pandas for Data Analysis (2 Weeks)

What to Learn:

- NumPy: Arrays, Indexing, Broadcasting, Vectorized Ops
- Pandas: DataFrame, Series
- Data Cleaning (missing values, duplicates)
- GroupBy, Merge, Concat, Apply
- Handling Dates/Time
- Basic Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

Resources:

- [freeCodeCamp: NumPy + Pandas Full Tutorial](#)
 - [Kaggle – Pandas Course](#)
 - Book: *Python for Data Analysis* by Wes McKinney (Free PDF online)
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Chapter 4: Data Visualization (1 Week)



What to Learn:

- Matplotlib & Seaborn (Line, Bar, Histogram, Heatmaps)
- Plotly (Interactive Dashboards)
- Styling and Customizing Graphs
- Visualize insights from real data



Resources:

- [Data Visualization with Python - IBM \(Coursera\)](#)
 - [Seaborn Gallery](#)
 - [Plotly Python](#)
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Chapter 5: REST APIs & Requests (2 Weeks)



What to Learn:

- What is REST API?
- GET, POST, PUT, DELETE methods
- JSON responses and parsing
- Python requests library
- Query Parameters, Headers



Resources:

- [Real Python – APIs with Requests](#)
 - [Python Requests Docs](#)
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Chapter 6: API Authentication (2 Weeks)

What to Learn:

- Working with API Keys
- Bearer Token Authentication
- OAuth 2.0 Basics
- Client ID / Client Secret flow
- Refresh Tokens
- Use Postman to test APIs
- Hands-on with real APIs like:
 - OpenWeather
 - CoinGecko
 - Spotify API (needs Auth)
 - Twitter/X API (OAuth)
 - RapidAPI or NewsAPI

Resources:

- [Postman Beginner Guide](#)
 - [YouTube: How to use APIs with Auth in Python](#)
 - [OAuth 2.0 Simplified Guide](#)
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Chapter 7: Mini Projects (2 Weeks)

What to Build:

1. **Weather Dashboard**
 - Use OpenWeather API to pull weather data, visualize temp trends
2. **Crypto Tracker**

- Use CoinGecko API to show top crypto prices, make plots

3. Spotify Playlist Analyzer

- Use Spotify API + Auth to get your playlists and analyze genre, popularity

4. News Dashboard

- Use NewsAPI to show trending headlines by topic

5. Custom API Project

- Pick an API, pull data, clean with Pandas, and visualize it

Tools:

- Python
- Pandas, Plotly/Seaborn
- Requests
- Streamlit (if you want to build a web UI)

Optional Add-ons (After the Roadmap)

- Learn Web Scraping (BeautifulSoup, Selenium)
- Build Flask API (your own API to expose data)
- Learn how to schedule Python scripts with cron or task scheduler