create-next-app

The easiest way to get started with Next.js is by using `create-next-app`. This CLI tool enables you to quickly start building a new Next.js application, with everything set up for you. You can create a new app using the default Next.js template, or by using one of the official Next.js examples ↗. To get started, use the following command:

Interactive

You can create a new project interactively by running:

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npx create-next-app@latest

yarn create next-app

pnpm create next-app
```

You will then be asked the following prompts:

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What is your project named?  my-app
Would you like to add TypeScript with this project?  Y/N
Would you like to use ESLint with this project?  Y/N
Would you like to use Tailwind CSS with this project? Y/N
Would you like to use the `src/ directory` with this project? Y/N
What import alias would you like configured? `@/*`
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Once you've answered the prompts, a new project will be created with the correct configuration depending on your answers.

Non-interactive

You can also pass command line arguments to set up a new project non-interactively.

Further, you can negate default options by prefixing them with `--no-` (e.g. `--no-eslint`).

See `create-next-app --help`:

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Usage: create-next-app <project-directory> [options]

Options:
  -V, --version                        output the version number
  --ts, --typescript

    Initialize as a TypeScript project. (default)

  --js, --javascript

    Initialize as a JavaScript project.

  --tailwind

    Initialize with Tailwind CSS config. (default)

  --eslint

    Initialize with ESLint config.

  --src-dir

    Initialize inside a `src/` directory.

  --import-alias <alias-to-configure>

    Specify import alias to use (default "@/*").

  --use-npm

    Explicitly tell the CLI to bootstrap the app using npm

  --use-pnpm

    Explicitly tell the CLI to bootstrap the app using pnpm

  -e, --example [name]|[github-url]

    An example to bootstrap the app with. You can use an example name
    from the official Next.js repo or a GitHub URL. The URL can use
    any branch and/or subdirectory

  --example-path <path-to-example>

    In a rare case, your GitHub URL might contain a branch name with
    a slash (e.g. bug/fix-1) and the path to the example (e.g. foo/bar).
    In this case, you must specify the path to the example separately:
    --example-path foo/bar

  --reset-preferences

    Explicitly tell the CLI to reset any stored preferences

  -h, --help                           output usage information
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Why use Create Next App?

`create-next-app` allows you to create a new Next.js app within seconds. It is officially maintained by the creators of Next.js, and includes a number of benefits:

- **Interactive Experience**: Running `npx create-next-app@latest` (with no arguments) launches an interactive experience that guides you through setting up a project.
- **Zero Dependencies**: Initializing a project is as quick as one second. Create Next App has zero dependencies.
- **Offline Support**: Create Next App will automatically detect if you're offline and bootstrap your project using your local package cache.
- **Support for Examples**: Create Next App can bootstrap your application using an example from the Next.js examples collection (e.g. `npx create-next-app --example api-routes`).
- **Tested**: The package is part of the Next.js monorepo and tested using the same integration test suite as Next.js itself, ensuring it works as expected with every release.