



# Arion Masternode Guide



## Controller-Cold-Setup

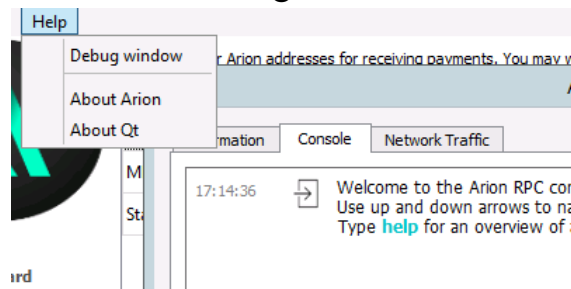
This is the advised Method to setup your Masternodes. The wallet containing the coins does not have to be exposed and can run on your local computer. It does not have to run all the time and you are not vulnerable to someone hacking your VPS because all he can do when he hacked your VPS is stop your MNs but not steal your coins!

## Desktop Wallet Setup

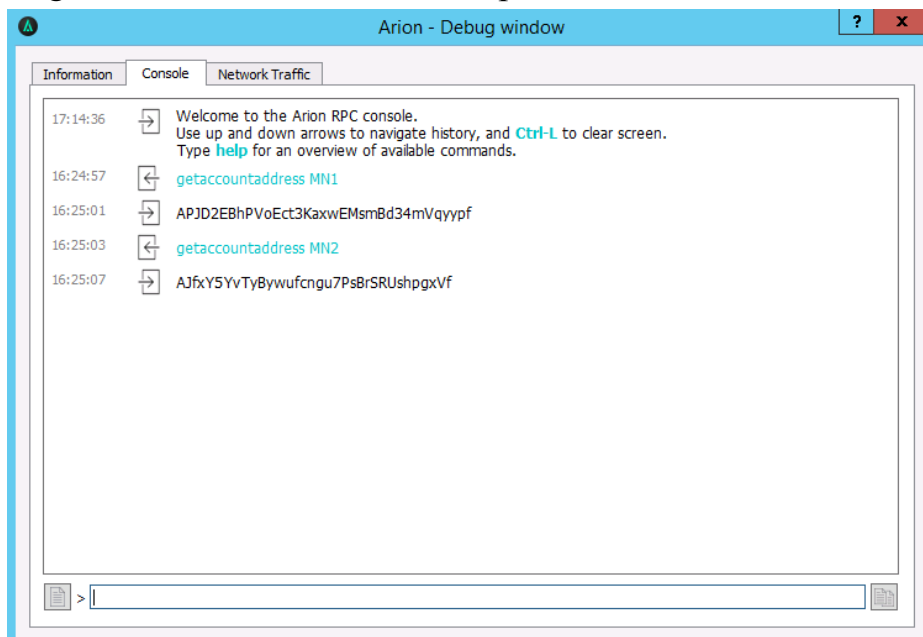
In the first steps the desktop wallet will be setup. This is the wallet you can run on your local PC. When the masternodes are connected this wallet can be closed and the PC does not have to run in order for the masternodes to generate rewards.

We will create an address, private key and transaction for each masternode (MN in the following) and show the necessary steps for configuration.

1. Open Console: Tools → Debug window



2. Type “getaccountaddress MN1” and press Enter.



Repeat this step for the amount of masternodes you want to setup as shown. Make sure you count up (MN1, MN2 etc.)



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These are your Arion addresses for receiving payments. You may want to give a different one to each sender so you can keep track of who is paying you.

Label	Address
MN1	AZBMRUDgedWugVYjqz6Uq9NXoaZ2rYrE41
MN2	ARax7CeHrwUjKrhSPUnzZmQ54myKTzTSHu
random1	AJfxY5YvTyBywufcngu7PbSRUshpgxVf
random2	APJD2EBhPVoEct3KaxwEMmBd34mVqyypf
Standard	AUMMzSX7VFaHZSxz9PwZ2i5WBf8cusuDmk

Dashboard  
Receive  
Send

*These are the addresses that will be associated with the MNs. You can view all you created addresses under Receiving Addresses*

### 3. Send exactly 5000 coins to each MN address

**Coin Control Features**

Inputs...

Quantity: 2    Amount: 10002.00 ARO    Fee: 0.0001 ARO    After Fee: 10001.9999 ARO  
 Bytes: ~408    Priority: highest    Low Output: no    Change: 1.9999 ARO

☒ custom change address: AUMMzSX7VFaHZSxz9PwZ2i5WBf8cusuDmk    Standard

Pay To: AZBMRUDgedWugVYjqz6Uq9NXoaZ2rYrE41  
 Label: MN1  
 Amount: 5000.00000000 ARO

Pay To: ARax7CeHrwUjKrhSPUnzZmQ54myKTzTSHu  
 Label: MN2  
 Amount: 5000.00000000 ARO

*Click on “add recipient” to add lines so you can send to all nodes in one transaction.*

### 4. Now create (or open) the “masternode.conf” this file is located under %appdata%\Roaming\Arion [Make sure you activated file extension!](#)

We will now add a Line for each MN with the following Format:

```
alias IP:port masternodeprivkey txhash outputindex
```

- Begin by entering and alias IP:port
  - Alias: the name of the MN receiving address (we named them MN1, MN2, ...)
  - IP: The static IP of your server (If you don't have one scroll down to find out where to get one!)
  - port: A port the MN will connect to. The port is not fixed and multiple nodes can run on one server but need different ports.



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```
File Edit Format View Help
MN1 108.61.171.10:9330 |
MN2 108.61.171.10:9331
```

*You can have more than one node per IP just adjust the ports. If you don't have a linux VPS by now please scroll down to "Get a Linux VPS first"*

b. Next we get the "masternodeprivkey"

i. Open debug console again, type "masternode genkey" and press enter

```
17:04:19  ↵ masternode genkey
17:04:19  ↵ 2sg5oiYYst1gJ5KC4vGTMUIGjZyeiD4MbsByWaH7xiiKraMMTE7
17:04:20  ↵ masternode genkey
17:04:20  ↵ 2sUPtE3W9bXRkdW4sxq3ZEGYAcSR1h5zQ5s8KzmWKzZAhb1D66z
```

ii. Repeat the line for each MN you want to setup

iii. Copy the output keys to the config

```
masternode.conf -
File Edit Format View Help
MN1 108.61.171.10:9330 2sg5oiYYst1gJ5KC4vGTMUIGjZyeiD4MbsByWaH7xiiKraMMTE7
MN2 108.61.171.10:9331 2sUPtE3W9bXRkdW4sxq3ZEGYAcSR1h5zQ5s8KzmWKzZAhb1D66z
```

*The private keys are used for voting and identify you as the real owner so don't share them.*

c. Next we will add txhash and outputindex

i. Go to the debug console again, type "masternode outputs" and press enter

```
14:26:51  ↵ masternode outputs
14:26:51  ↵ [
    {
      "txhash": "f7ed833129b2f4e54e4475851b03f926e3c1d24a2f5a5f5ed7c12cf7ac7a25c2",
      "outputidx": 1
    },
    {
      "txhash": "f7ed833129b2f4e54e4475851b03f926e3c1d24a2f5a5f5ed7c12cf7ac7a25c2",
      "outputidx": 2
    }
  ]
```

ii. If you send the coins in one transaction the "txhash" will be the same. If you add a masternode later, another tuple will be added. So every masternode has a unique pair of txhash and outputindex

iii. Copy the information to the config file (Make sure you don't forget the index!)

```
masternode.conf - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
# Masternode config file
# Format: alias IP:port masternodeprivkey collateral_output_txid collateral_output_index
# Example: mn1 127.0.0.2:19999 93HaYBVUCYjEMeeH1Y4sBGLALQZE1Yc1K64xiqgX37tG8DQL8Xg 2bcd3c84c84f87eaa86e4e56834c92927a07f9e18718810b92e0d0324456a67c 0
MN1 207.148.26.77:9330 2Zf73WZKZjKpkma8sj4QMr1D1W2exD866Q5su9K5DWHv38n9Ub f7ed833129b2f4e54e4475851b03f926e3c1d24a2f5a5f5ed7c12cf7ac7a25c2 1
MN2 207.148.26.77:9331 2Z78utqNlc65S7NT1uU58Lyd75aqnd6exsxAcB1B4cccBk3nY7t f7ed833129b2f4e54e4475851b03f926e3c1d24a2f5a5f5ed7c12cf7ac7a25c2 2
```

*This is what your config should finally look like.*



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## 5. Save the file and restart the wallet.

Arion Network

My Master Nodes

Create...

	Alias	IP/Onion	Status
1	MN2	199.247.18.186:9331	Masternode is Running.
2	MN1	199.247.18.186:9330	Masternode is Running.

Verify now that your MN are shown in the Masternodes tab. If they don't appear press the "update"-Button below. It will say "Not in Masternode list" for now.

### Getting a VPS

For the cold wallets you first need a linux VPS. You can get very cheap ones for 5\$ here: <https://www.vultr.com/?ref=7285424>. These can run around 3 Arion masternode instances though it might be a good idea to split your MNs across some different Servers. The more isolation you have the less likely you are hit big by a server outage☺.

After registration you get to the Dashboard. You have to do the first payment with something else then Bitcoin. After the first payment you can pay the servers in BTC.

## 6. Deploy the server

Server	OS	Location	Charges	Status
node5 1024 MB Server	Ubuntu 18.04	London	\$1.27	Running
node3 1024 MB Server	Ubuntu 18.04	Frankfurt	\$3.12	Running
node1 1024 MB Server	Ubuntu 18.04	Frankfurt	\$3.12	Running
node6 1024 MB Server	Ubuntu 18.04	Frankfurt	\$0.91	Running
node4 1024 MB Server	Ubuntu 18.04	Frankfurt	\$3.12	Running
node2 1024 MB Server	Ubuntu 18.04	Frankfurt	\$3.12	Running

Hit the plus top right to add new instances



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7. Choose a region near you. It does not really matter.

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Server Type

64 bit OS

32 bit OSApplicationUpload ISOISO LibraryBackupSnapshot

CentOS  
SELECT VERSION

CoreOS  
Stable x64

Debian  
SELECT VERSION

Fedora  
SELECT VERSION

FreeBSD  
SELECT VERSION

OpenBSD  
6 x64

Ubuntu  
SELECT VERSION  
17.10 x64  
16.04 x64  
14.04 x64

Windows  
SELECT VERSION

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Server Size

Temporarily Sold Out

20 GB SSD  
\$2.50/mo  
\$0.004/h

1 CPU  
512MB Memory  
500GB Bandwidth

25 GB SSD  
\$5/mo  
\$0.007/h

1 CPU  
1024MB Memory  
1000GB Bandwidth

40 GB SSD  
\$10/mo  
\$0.015/h

1 CPU  
2048MB Memory  
2000GB Bandwidth

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Summary:  
\$5.00/mo (\$0.007/hr)

Deploy Now

- As “Server Type” choose Ubuntu and klick 16.04 (Important don’t take 17.10!)
- As Server Size choose the 5\$ instance with 1GB Ram. If available you can choose the 2.50\$ one if you only want to run only one node on it.
- Scroll down and give the node a name.
- After that click “Deploy now” in the overview you should see this:

☐ BITG  
1024 MB Server - 45.77.65.231

Frankfurt

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Installing

8. Connect to the Server.

- You will need some SSH tool connect. I use “Royal-TS” to manage several connections at once. It’s a bit harder getting used too but has real value.
- To connect with “putty” a basic tool refer to [this guide](#)
- You can find username (root) and password when you click on the newly created instance. The installation has to finish before!
- Note: pasting your clipboard is “right click”

Automatic server installation and setup.

9. Download and execute script on VPS:

```
wget https://raw.githubusercontent.com/XeZZoR/scripts/master/Arion/setup.sh
chmod 755 setup.sh
./setup.sh
```



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*This process is interactive and takes several minutes.*

```
root@node12:~# chmod 755 setup.sh
root@node12:~# ./setup.sh
*****
* Ubuntu 16.04 is the recommended operating system for this install.      *
*                                                                           *
* This script will install and configure your Arion Coin masternodes.      *
*****

!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
!                                                                           !
! Make sure you double check before hitting enter !                       !
!                                                                           !
!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Do you want to install all needed dependencies (no if you did it before)? [y/n]
y
```

*Enter y and press enter when you first setup the server. All dependencies and needed programs will be installed (takes ~10-30 minutes for compilation)*

```
Configure your masternodes now!
Type the IP of this server, followed by [ENTER]:
199.247.4.66
```

*Enter the the servers IP address (199.247.4.66 in my case)*

```
How many nodes do you want to create on this server?, followed by [ENTER]:
2
```

*Enter the number of masternodes you want to run on the server (2 in my case)*

```
How many nodes do you want to create on this server?, followed by [ENTER]:
2

Enter alias for new node
mn1

Enter port for node mn1
9333

Enter masternode private key for node mn1
2rvhtc7XsAvZRdfn3qf2i7fptEwoW8rpq6fmqDXoxgEhRRBWADw

Enter RPC Port (Any valid free port: i.E. 17200)
17200
Rule added
Rule added (v6)

Enter alias for new node
Arion server starting
```

*Enter the asked information. The alias is to give each node a unique name and control it. Enter port and masternode key which you configured before in the desktop wallet. Also unique free rpc port is needed. You can take any. The input process repeats for every node you want to configure (2 times in my case)*



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If you made an error when typing the interactive stuff: ctrl+c and restart the script 😊

## 10. Controlling the masternode

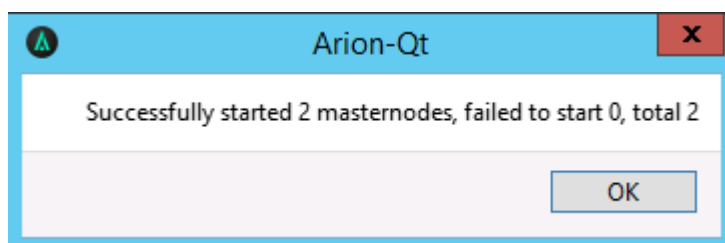
- The script from the last step already started all wallets on VPS
- Type “source .bashrc” in console
- Each MN has now its own control script under ~/bin (named with alias you typed before)
- To see if everything works type “ariond\_mn1.sh getinfo”

```
root@node12:~# ariond_mn1.sh getinfo
{
  "version" : "v1.0.0.2-Core",
  "protocolversion" : 62008,
  "walletversion" : 60000,
  "balance" : 0.00000000,
  "darksend_balance" : 0.00000000,
  "newmint" : 0.00000000,
  "stake" : 0.00000000,
  "blocks" : 732,
  "timeoffset" : 0,
  "moneysupply" : 3001277.84478938,
  "connections" : 2,
  "proxy" : "",
  "ip" : "199.247.18.186",
  "difficulty" : {
    "proof-of-work" : 12797.90985536,
    "proof-of-stake" : 80.25064934
  },
  "testnet" : false,
  "keypoololdest" : 1518638180,
  "keypoolsize" : 1001,
  "paytxfee" : 0.00010000,
  "mininput" : 0.00000000,
  "errors" : ""
}
```

Every node has a script “ariond\_ *ALIAS*.sh”. Always use these scripts and not the daemon directly.

You can see the amount of blocks here. Wait till its fully synced till the next step.

- If sync is finished go to your desktop wallet and start MNs in the masternode tab (unlock wallet before).



Arion Network		My Master Nodes
Create...		
Alias	IP/Onion	Status
1 MN2	199.247.18.186:9331	Masternode is Running.
2 MN1	199.247.18.186:9330	Masternode is Running.

The status should be “Masternode is Running.” now. This is only an indicator that the network acknowledged it. Check below to see if its running on the MN wallets!



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- f. See if node is running: “ariond\_mn1.sh masternode status”

```
root@node12:~# ariond_mn1.sh masternode status
{
  "vin" : "CTxIn(COutPoint(0000000000, 4294967295), coinbase )",
  "service" : "199.247.18.186:9333",
  "status" : 2,
  "pubKeyMasternode" : "AJwNvUEbpPgWVYXNLbsrrbrfdypZqMDgZ6",
  "notCapableReason" : "Could not find suitable coins!"
}
```

*This is a bad status. You either have a config error or the node is not started in the desktop wallet. status = 2 indicates this.*

```
root@node12:~# ariond_mn1.sh masternode status
{
  "vin" : "CTxIn(COutPoint(27f395f011, 0), scriptSig=)",
  "service" : "199.247.18.186:9330",
  "status" : 9,
  "pubKeyMasternode" : "AeS7mYnvGdpVXqgroswrArfFziBzurgdqQU",
  "notCapableReason" : "Could not find suitable coins!"
}
```

*If you see this status your node is successfully running and you can close the controller wallet! The not capable reason can be ignored. Its important you see status = 9*

## Adding more nodes to existing VPS

To add more Arion MNs to an existing server setup with the setup.sh script before just restart the script and type “n” when asked if you want to install the dependencies at the beginning. After that just follow the steps from before in the interactive script. When asked on “how many nodes do you want to setup” type the number of nodes you want to add now (So if 2 are running and you want to add a third type 1).