



This tutorial shows how you can install an Apache webserver on a CentOS 7 server with PHP support and MySQL support. LAMP is short for Linux, Apache, MySQL, PHP.

In this tutorial, I use the hostname server1.example.com with the IP: 192.168.0.78. These settings might differ for you, so you have to replace them where appropriate.

I will add the EPEL (Extra Packages for Enterprise Linux) repository here to install latest phpMyAdmin, type the following into the command line as follows:

Note: = Press the enter key.

```
rpm --import /etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY*   
yum -y install epel-release 
```

Installing MySQL / MariaDB

MariaDB is a MySQL fork of the original MySQL developer Monty Widenius. MariaDB is compatible with MySQL and I've chosen to use MariaDB here instead of MySQL. Run this command to install MariaDB with yum:

```
yum -y install mariadb-server mariadb 
```

Then we create the system start-up links for MySQL (so that MySQL starts automatically whenever the system boots) and start the MySQL server:

```
systemctl start mariadb.service   
systemctl enable mariadb.service 
```

Set passwords for the MySQL root account:

```
mysql_secure_installation 
```

```
[root@server1 ~]# mysql_secure_installation  
/usr/bin/mysql_secure_installation: line 379: find_mysql_client: command not found
```

NOTE: RUNNING ALL PARTS OF THIS SCRIPT IS RECOMMENDED FOR ALL MariaDB SERVERS IN PRODUCTION USE! PLEASE READ EACH STEP CAREFULLY!

In order to log into MariaDB to secure it, we'll need the current password for the root user. If you've just installed MariaDB, and you haven't set the root password yet, the

password will be blank, so you should just press enter here.

Enter current password for root (enter for none): <--ENTER
OK, successfully used password, moving on...

Setting the root password ensures that nobody can log into the MariaDB root user without the proper authorisation.

Set root password? [Y/n]
New password: <--yourmariadbpassword
Re-enter new password: <--yourmariadbpassword
Password updated successfully!
Reloading privilege tables..
... Success!

By default, a MariaDB installation has an anonymous user, allowing anyone to log into MariaDB without having to have a user account created for them. This is intended only for testing, and to make the installation go a bit smoother. You should remove them before moving into a production environment.

Remove anonymous users? [Y/n] <--ENTER
... Success!

Normally, root should only be allowed to connect from 'localhost'. This ensures that someone cannot guess at the root password from the network.

Disallow root login remotely? [Y/n] <--ENTER
... Success!

By default, MariaDB comes with a database named 'test' that anyone can access. This is also intended only for testing, and should be removed before moving into a production environment.

Remove test database and access to it? [Y/n] <--ENTER
- Dropping test database...
... Success!
- Removing privileges on test database...
... Success!

Reloading the privilege tables will ensure that all changes made so far will take effect immediately.

Reload privilege tables now? [Y/n] <--ENTER
... Success!

Cleaning up...

All done! If you've completed all of the above steps, your MariaDB installation should now be secure.

Thanks for using MariaDB!
[root@server1 ~]#

Installing Apache

CentOS 7 ships with apache 2.4. Apache is directly available as a CentOS 7 package, therefore we can install it like this:

```
yum -y install httpd
```

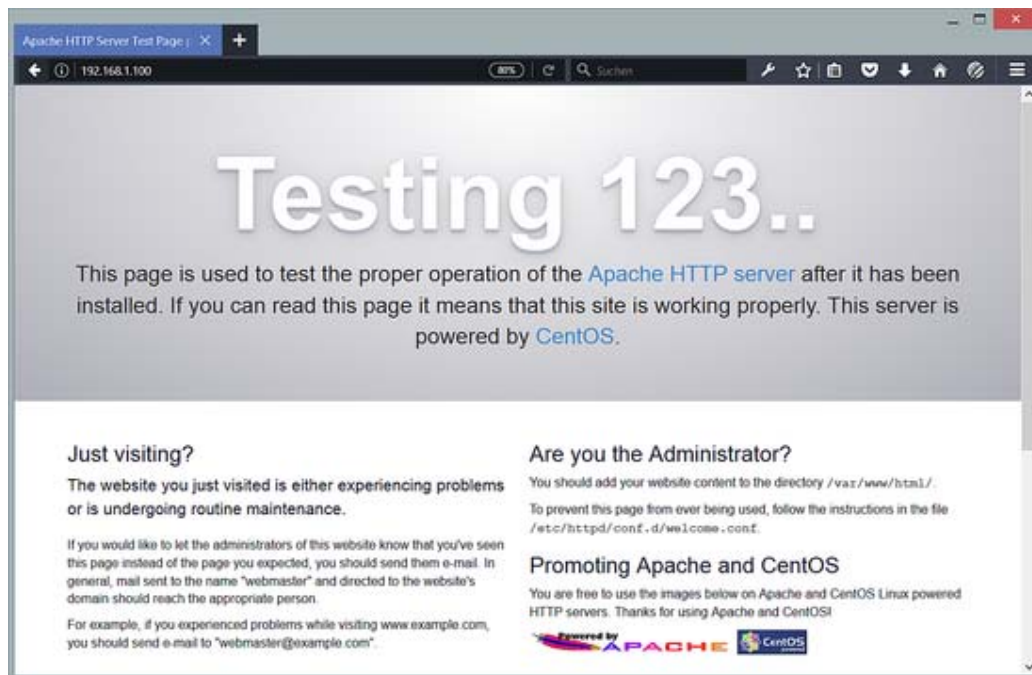
Now configure your system to start Apache at boot time... :

```
systemctl start httpd.service  
systemctl enable httpd.service
```

To be able to access the web server from outside, we have to disable the default firewall. As this is only being used for learning purposes and not for a live production environment, we can issue the following command:

```
iptables -F
```

Now direct your browser to the IP address of your server, in my case <http://192.168.0.78>, and you should see the Apache placeholder page:



Installing PHP

The PHP version that ships with CentOS is quite old (PHP 5.4), therefore I will show you in this step how to install the newer PHP versions like PHP 7.1 from Remi repository.

Add the Remi CentOS repository.

```
rpm -Uvh http://rpms.remirepo.net/enterprise/remi-release-7.rpm
```

Install yum-utils as we need the yum-config-manager utility.

```
yum -y install yum-utils
```

and run yum update.

```
yum update
```

To install PHP 7.1, follow the below commands:

```
yum-config-manager --enable remi-php71
```

```
yum -y install php php-opcache
```

We must restart Apache to apply the changes:

```
systemctl restart httpd.service
```

Testing PHP / Getting Details About Your PHP Installation

The document root of the default website is /var/www/html. We will create a small PHP file (info.php) in that directory and call it in a browser to test the PHP installation. The file will display lots of useful details about our PHP installation, such as the installed PHP version.

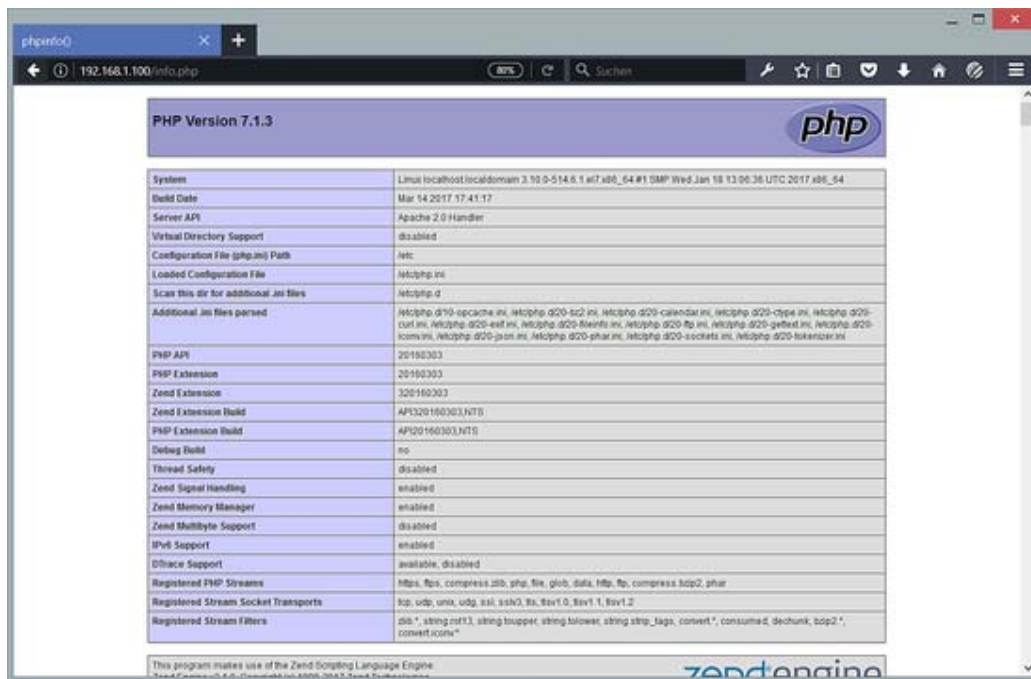
```
nano /var/www/html/info.php
```

Type the following into the editor:

```
<?php
    phpinfo();
?>
```

Save the file: CTRL+X, press the enter key to write file then exit the editor.

Now we call that file in a browser (e.g. <http://192.168.0.78/info.php>):



| | |
|--|--|
| PHP Version 7.1.3 | |
| System | Linux localhost.localdomain 3.10-0-514.6.1.el7.x86_64 #1 SMP Wed Jan 18 13:06:36 UTC 2017 x86_64 |
| Build Date | Mar 14 2017 17:41:17 |
| Server API | Apache 2.0 Handler |
| Virtual Directory Support | disabled |
| Configuration File (php.ini) Path | /etc |
| Loaded Configuration File | /etc/php.ini |
| Scan this dir for additional ini files | /etc/php.d |
| Additional ini files parsed | /etc/php.d/10-opcache.ini, /etc/php.d/20-bcmath.ini, /etc/php.d/20-calendar.ini, /etc/php.d/20-ctype.ini, /etc/php.d/20-curl.ini, /etc/php.d/20-exif.ini, /etc/php.d/20-fileinfo.ini, /etc/php.d/20-ftp.ini, /etc/php.d/20-gd.ini, /etc/php.d/20-gettext.ini, /etc/php.d/20-gmp.ini, /etc/php.d/20-iconv.ini, /etc/php.d/20-imagick.ini, /etc/php.d/20-ldap.ini, /etc/php.d/20-odbc.ini, /etc/php.d/20-pdo.ini, /etc/php.d/20-phar.ini, /etc/php.d/20-sockets.ini, /etc/php.d/20-tokenizer.ini |
| PHP API | 20160303 |
| PHP Extension | 20160303 |
| Zend Extension | 320160303 |
| Zend Extension Build | API320160303,NTS |
| PHP Extension Build | API20160303,NTS |
| Debug Build | no |
| Thread Safety | disabled |
| Zend Signal Handling | enabled |
| Zend Memory Manager | enabled |
| Zend Multibyte Support | disabled |
| IPv6 Support | enabled |
| Trace Support | available, disabled |
| Registered PHP Streams | ftp, ftps, compress.zlib, php, file, glob, data, http, ftp, compress.bzip2, phar |
| Registered Stream Socket Transports | tcp, udp, unix, udg, ssl, ssh, sslv2, sslv3, sslv3.0, sslv3.1, sslv3.2 |
| Registered Stream Filters | zlib *, string.net3, string.toupper, string.tolower, string.strip_tags, convert.*, consumed, dechunk, bzip2 *, convert.iconv* |

As you see, PHP 7.1 is working, and it's working through the Apache 2.0 Handler, as shown in the Server API line. If you scroll further down, you will see all modules that are already enabled in PHP. MySQL is not listed there which means we don't have MySQL support in PHP yet.

Setup MySQL Support In PHP

To setup MySQL support in PHP, we can install the `php71w-mysql` package. It's a good idea to install some other PHP modules as well as you might need them for your applications.

```
yum -y install php-mysql
```

```
yum -y install php-gd php-ldap php-odbc php-pear php-xml  
php-xmlrpc php-mbstring php-soap curl curl-devel
```

Now restart Apache web server:

```
systemctl restart httpd.service
```

Now reload <http://192.168.0.78/info.php> in your browser and scroll down to the modules section again. You should now find lots of new modules like curl etc there.:

| | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| mbstring.language | neutral | neutral |
| mbstring.strict_detection | Off | Off |
| mbstring.substitute_character | no value | no value |

| mysqli | | |
|----------------------------|---|--|
| mysqli Support | | |
| Client API library version | mysqli 5.0.12-dev - 20150407 - \$Id: b39d954eeb2d149ed7902b8bae237528701ad1e \$ | |
| Active Persistent Links | 0 | |
| Inactive Persistent Links | 0 | |
| Active Links | 0 | |

| Directive | Local Value | Master Value |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| mysqli.allow_local_infile | On | On |
| mysqli.allow_persistent | On | On |
| mysqli.default_host | no value | no value |
| mysqli.default_port | 3306 | 3306 |
| mysqli.default_pw | no value | no value |
| mysqli.default_socket | /var/lib/mysql/mysql.sock | /var/lib/mysql/mysql.sock |
| mysqli.default_user | no value | no value |
| mysqli.max_links | Unlimited | Unlimited |
| mysqli.max_persistent | Unlimited | Unlimited |
| mysqli.reconnect | Off | Off |
| mysqli.rollback_on_cached_glink | Off | Off |

| mysqlnd | | |
|---------------------|--|--|
| mysqlnd | | |
| Version | mysqlnd 5.0.12-dev - 20150407 - \$Id: b39d954eeb2d149ed7902b8bae237528701ad1e \$ | |
| Compression | supported | |
| core SSL | supported | |
| extended SSL | supported | |
| Command buffer size | 4096 | |

Install phpMyAdmin

phpMyAdmin is a web interface through which you can manage your MySQL databases.

phpMyAdmin can now be installed as follows:

```
yum -y install phpMyAdmin
```

Now we configure phpMyAdmin. We change the Apache configuration so that phpMyAdmin allows connections not just from localhost (by commenting out the <RequireAny> stanza and adding the 'Require all granted' line):

```
nano /etc/httpd/conf.d/phpMyAdmin.conf
```

```
[...]
Alias /phpMyAdmin /usr/share/phpMyAdmin
Alias /phpmyadmin /usr/share/phpMyAdmin

<Directory /usr/share/phpMyAdmin/>
    AddDefaultCharset UTF-8

<IfModule mod_authz_core.c>
    # Apache 2.4
    # <RequireAny>
    # Require ip 127.0.0.1
    # Require ip ::1
    # </RequireAny>
    Require all granted
</IfModule>
```

```

<IfModule !mod_authz_core.c>
# Apache 2.2
Order Deny,Allow
Deny from All
Allow from 127.0.0.1
Allow from ::1
</IfModule>
</Directory>

<Directory /usr/share/phpMyAdmin/>
    Options none
    AllowOverride Limit
    Require all granted
</Directory>

[...]
```

Next, we change the authentication in phpMyAdmin from cookie to http:

```
nano /etc/phpMyAdmin/config.inc.php
```

```

[...]
```

```
$cfg['Servers'][$i]['auth_type']      = 'http';      // Authentication
```

```
method (config, http or cookie based)?
```

```

[...]
```

Restart Apache:

```
systemctl restart httpd.service
```

Afterwards, you can access phpMyAdmin under <http://192.168.0.78/phpmyadmin/>:

