

Accessing the Request Object

The incoming request object can be accessed from request level (filter, routes, error handlers) through the `request` method:

```
# app running on http://example.com/example
get '/foo' do
  t = %w[text/css text/html application/javascript]
  request.accept          # ['text/html', '*/*']
  request.accept? 'text/xml' # true
  request.preferred_type(t) # 'text/html'
  request.body            # request body sent by the client (see below)
  request.scheme          # "http"
  request.script_name     # "/example"
  request.path_info       # "/foo"
  request.port            # 80
  request.request_method  # "GET"
  request.query_string    # ""
  request.content_length  # length of request.body
  request.media_type      # media type of request.body
  request.host            # "example.com"
  request.get?            # true (similar methods for other verbs)
  request.form_data?      # false
  request["some_param"]   # value of some_param parameter. [] is a shortcut to
the params hash.
  request.referrer        # the referrer of the client or '/'
  request.user_agent      # user agent (used by :agent condition)
  request.cookies         # hash of browser cookies
  request.xhr?            # is this an ajax request?
  request.url             # "http://example.com/example/foo"
  request.path            # "/example/foo"
  request.ip              # client IP address
  request.secure?         # false (would be true over ssl)
  request.forwarded?      # true (if running behind a reverse proxy)
  request.env             # raw env hash handed in by Rack
end
```

Some options, like `script_name` or `path_info`, can also be written:

```
before { request.path_info = "/" }

get "/" do
  "all requests end up here"
end
```

The `request.body` is an IO or StringIO object:

```
post "/api" do
  request.body.rewind # in case someone already read it
  data = JSON.parse request.body.read
  "Hello #{data['name']}!"
end
```