Install MySQL server

# Install Microsoft 2019 Visual C Redistributable

1. Navigate to <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/cpp/windows/latest-supported-vc-redist?view=msvc-160>
2. Find the link to the x64 download and download and install the package.

# Install MySQL

1. Navigate to <https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/mysql/>. Click the "MySQL Installer for Windows" link.

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1. Download the first "Windows (x86, 32-bit), MSI Installer". (The installer is 32-bit but it will allow you to download the 64-bit version of MySQL.) On the "MySQL Community Downloads" page, click "No thanks, just start my download."
2. Once downloaded, click or double-click the installer file to run it.
3. On the main installer page, click "Custom". Click "Next".

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1. Expand "MySQL Servers" and select the latest MySQL Server x64 version.
2. Expand "Applications" and select the latest MySQL Workbench x64 version.
3. Expand "MySQL Connectors". Expand "Connector/J" and select the latest "Connector/J". Click "Next".

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1. If you get a "Path Conflicts" page, just click "Next".
2. On the "Download" page, click "Execute". When done, click "Next".
3. On the "Installation" page, click "Execute". When done, click "Next".
4. On the "Product Configuration" page, click "Next".
5. On the "Type and Networking" page, leave all the settings the way they are and click "Next".
6. On the "Authentication Method" page, leave the settings the way they are and click "Next".
7. On the "Accounts and Roles" page, enter the password for the "root" account. Don't forget this password, as you will use this password for MySQL Workbench". Click "Check". Then click "Next".
8. On the Windows Service page, leave the settings the way they are and click "Next".
9. On the "Apply Configuration" page, click "Execute". When done, click "Finish".
10. On the "Product Configuration" page, click "Next".
11. On the "Installation Complete" page, click "Finish".

# Add to path

1. Click the Windows key and type "env" (without the quotes). Click "Edit environment variables for your account".

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1. Double-click on "Path" in the top section ("User variables…). Enter the path to the installed "bin" directory under the MySQL installation. (If you didn't change it, it's in "C:\Program Files\MySQL\MySQL Server 8.0".) So, click "New" and enter C:\Program Files\MySQL\MySQL Server 8.0\bin. Press Enter. Click OK.
2. Test the path by opening a *new* cmd window. Type mysql -u root -p and press Enter. You should be prompted for the root password.