

# Building and Running a Custom Apache Server Docker Image

Step-by-Step Guide with Advanced Features for Dynamic Web Hosting



Step-by-Step Guide to Build, Test, and Verify the Docker Image

## Step 1. Prepare the Workspace

1. Create the Dockerfile: Save the following content into a file named
  - Vim Dockerfile

```
controlplane $ vi Dockerfile
```

```
FROM docker.io/ubuntu
MAINTAINER vaibhavsurase@gmail.com
ARG PORT=8080
RUN apt update -y && apt install apache2 -y
RUN sed -i 's/Listen 80/Listen '$PORT'/g' /etc/apache2/ports.conf
COPY index.html /var/www/html/
RUN echo "Running on $PORT" >> /var/www/html/index.html
EXPOSE $PORT
CMD ["/usr/sbin/apache2ctl", "-D", "FOREGROUND"]
```

## 2. Create the index.html file: Create a simple index.html file:

- Vim index.html

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
    <title>Docker Apache</title>
</head>
<body>
    <h1>Welcome to Docker Apache Server</h1>
</body>
</html>
```

## Step 2. Build the Docker Image

### 1. Run the following command to build the image:

- `docker build -t apache-docker --build-arg PORT=8080 .`

```
controlplane $ docker build -t apache-docker --build-arg PORT=8080 .
[+] Building 52.2s (10/10) FINISHED                                docker:default
=> [internal] load build definition from Dockerfile                0.1s
=> => transferring dockerfile: 430B                                0.0s
=> [internal] load metadata for docker.io/library/ubuntu:latest   1.2s
=> [internal] load .dockerignore                                   0.0s
=> => transferring context: 2B                                       0.0s
=> [1/5] FROM docker.io/library/ubuntu:latest@sha256:72297848456d5d37d1262630108ab308d3e9ec7ed1c3286a32fe09856619a782 4.8s
=> => resolve docker.io/library/ubuntu:latest@sha256:72297848456d5d37d1262630108ab308d3e9ec7ed1c3286a32fe09856619a782 0.1s
=> => sha256:72297848456d5d37d1262630108ab308d3e9ec7ed1c3286a32fe09856619a782 6.69kB / 6.69kB 0.0s
=> => sha256:3afff29dffb200d202546dc6c4f614edc3b109691e7ab4aa23d02b42ba86790 424B / 424B 0.0s
=> => sha256:a04dc4851cbbcb42b54d1f52a41f5f9eca6a5fd03748c3f6eb2cbeb238ca99bd 2.30kB / 2.30kB 0.0s
=> => sha256:5a7813e071bfadf18aaa6ca8318be4824a9b6297b3240f2cc84c1db6f4113040 29.75MB / 29.75MB 1.9s
=> => extracting sha256:5a7813e071bfadf18aaa6ca8318be4824a9b6297b3240f2cc84c1db6f4113040 2.6s
=> [internal] load build context                                    0.1s
=> => transferring context: 186B                                       0.0s
=> [2/5] RUN apt update -y && apt install apache2 -y              40.3s
=> [3/5] RUN sed -i 's/Listen 80/Listen '8080'/g' /etc/apache2/ports.conf 0.9s
```

- -t apache-docker: Tags the image as apache-docker.
- --build-arg PORT=8080: Passes the PORT argument to replace the default value.

```
controlplane $ docker images
```

REPOSITORY	TAG	IMAGE ID	CREATED	SIZE
apache-docker	latest	209bdbfd6607	3 minutes ago	238MB

### Step 3. Run the Docker Container

1. Run a container from the image:

- `docker run -d -p 8080:8080 --name apache-test apache-docker`

```
controlplane $ docker run -d -p 8080:8080 --name apache-test apache-docker
f26f7f0d473236945b1f4d72da9f57cff0900d1e4a30b2d04fcb65ef8841bcc3
```

- -d: Runs the container in detached mode.
- -p 8080:8080: Maps port 8080 of the container to port 8080 of the host.
- --name apache-test: Names the container apache-test.

### Step 4. Test the Container 1. Check if the container is running:

- `docker ps`

```
controlplane $ docker ps
```

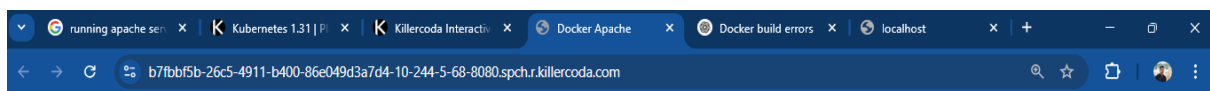
CONTAINER ID	IMAGE	COMMAND	CREATED	STATUS	PORTS	NAMES
f26f7f0d4732	apache-docker	"/usr/sbin/apache2ct..."	3 minutes ago	Up 3 minutes	0.0.0.0:8080->8080/tcp, :::8080->8080/tcp	apache-test

2. **Access the website:** Open your browser and navigate to:

- **Check on localhost**
  - o `Curl localhost:8080`

```
controlplane $ curl localhost:8080
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
  <title>Docker Apache</title>
</head>
<body>
  <h1>Welcome to Docker Apache Server</h1>
</body>
</html>
Running on 8080
```

- <http://localhost:8080>



## Welcome to Docker Apache Server

Running on 8080

You should see the index.html content with an additional line,  
"Running on 8080".

Thank you ..