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LARAGON – Add phpMyAdmin

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1. Introduction

In a fresh [Laragon](#) installation, the default database administration tool is [HeidiSQL](#).

But you can easily add phpMyAdmin to your Laragon installation.



There are 2 possible ways to add [phpMyAdmin](#) to your installation :

- you could use Laragons build in menu **Tools** → **Quick Add** → ***phpMyAdmin**
- you could install it manually



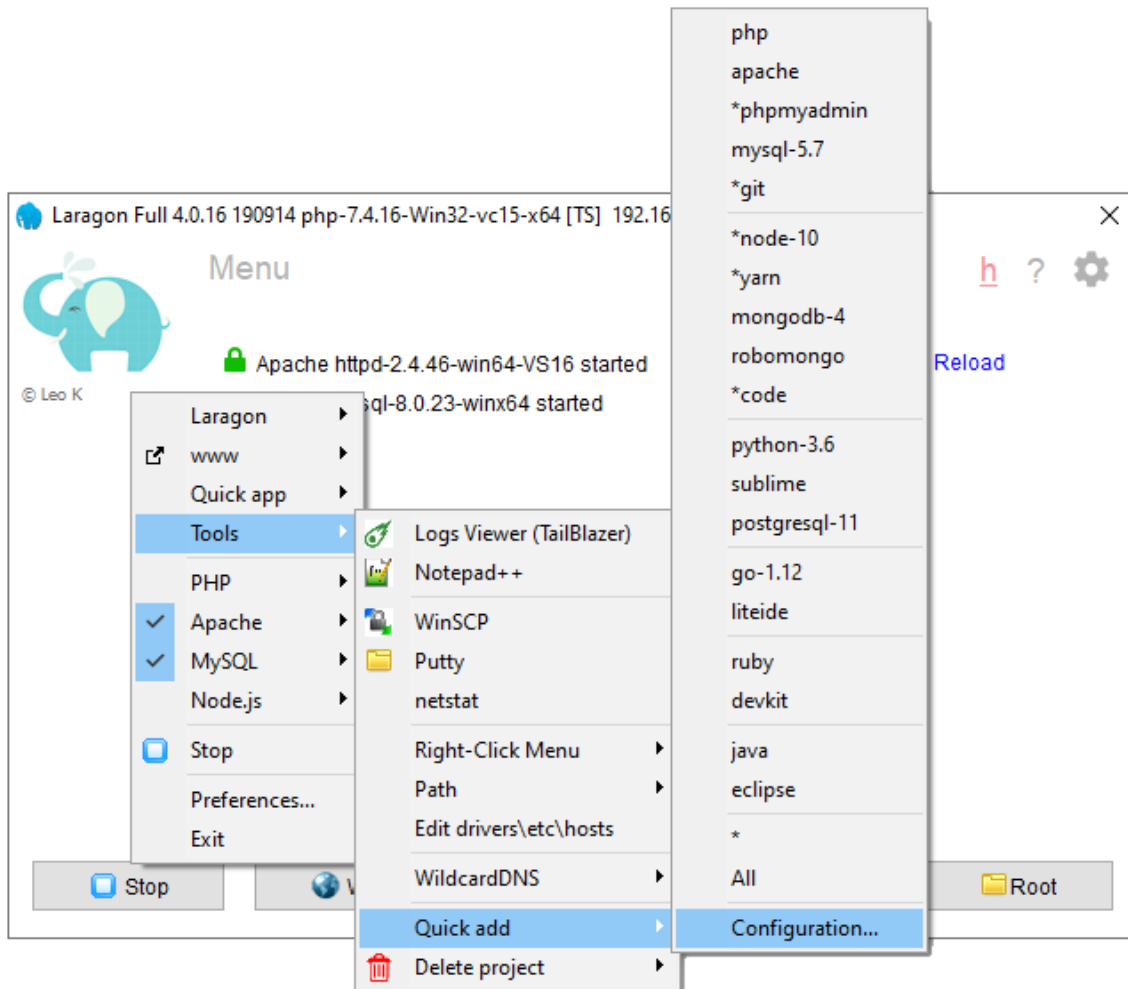


We'll explain both ways below.

2. Laragon - Add phpMyAdmin using Quick add

Before we install phpMyAdmin by using Laragons built-in **Quick add** procedure, we have to make sure it uses the latest version of phpMyAdmin :

- In the menu, select **Tools** → **Quick add** → **Configuration**.
- Replace the line ***phpmyadmin=** by the (more generic) link to phpMyAdmin latest version :
phpmyadmin=https://www.phpmyadmin.net/downloads/phpMyAdmin-latest-all-languages.zip
- Then save the file and exit the editor.



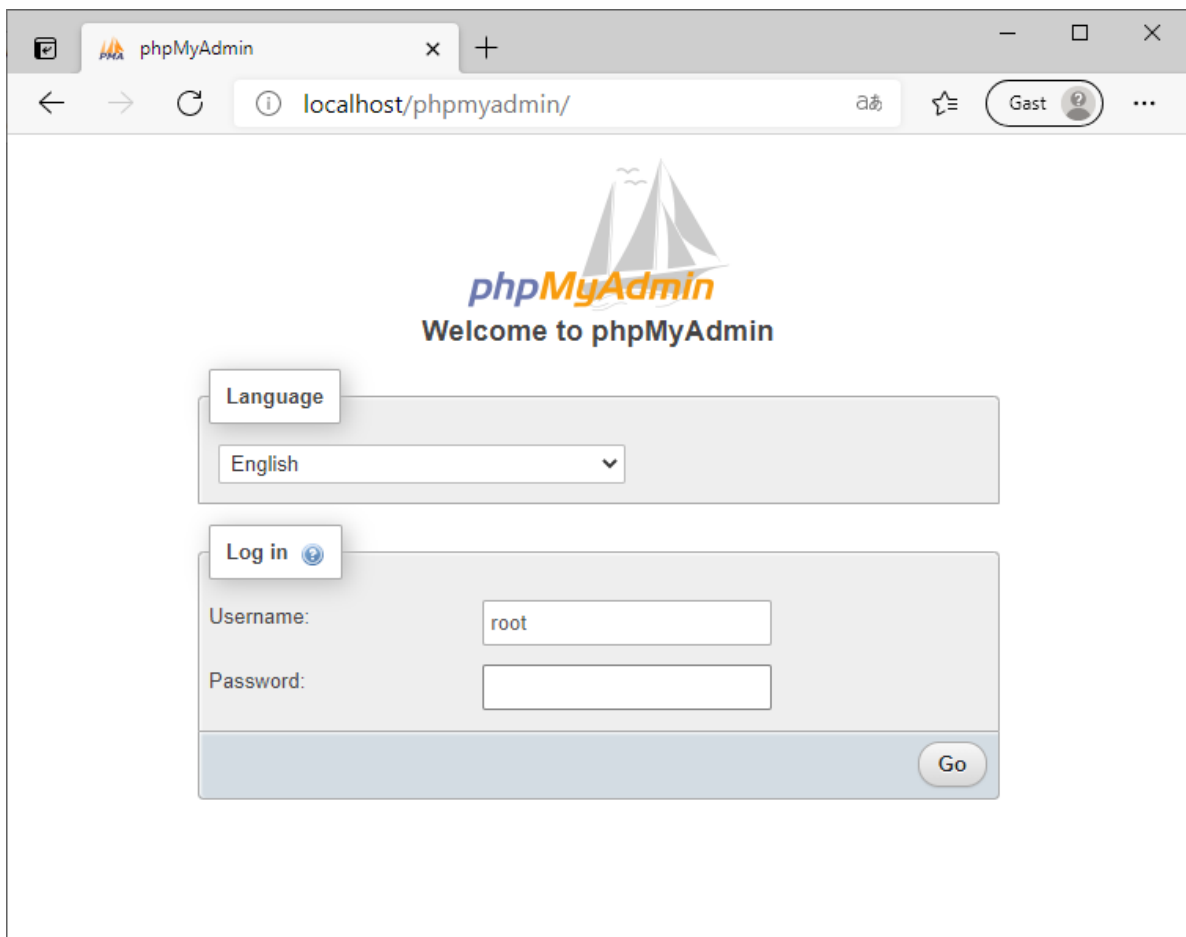
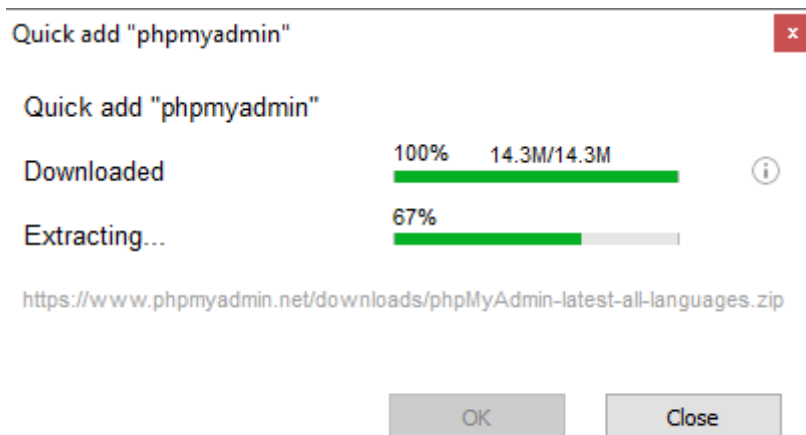
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4 # Apache
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7 # phpMyAdmin
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15 *git=https://github.com/leokhoa/laragon-packages/releases/download/4.0/git-2.19.2.zip
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23 # MongoDB https://www.mongodb.com/download-center/community
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25 # Robomongo
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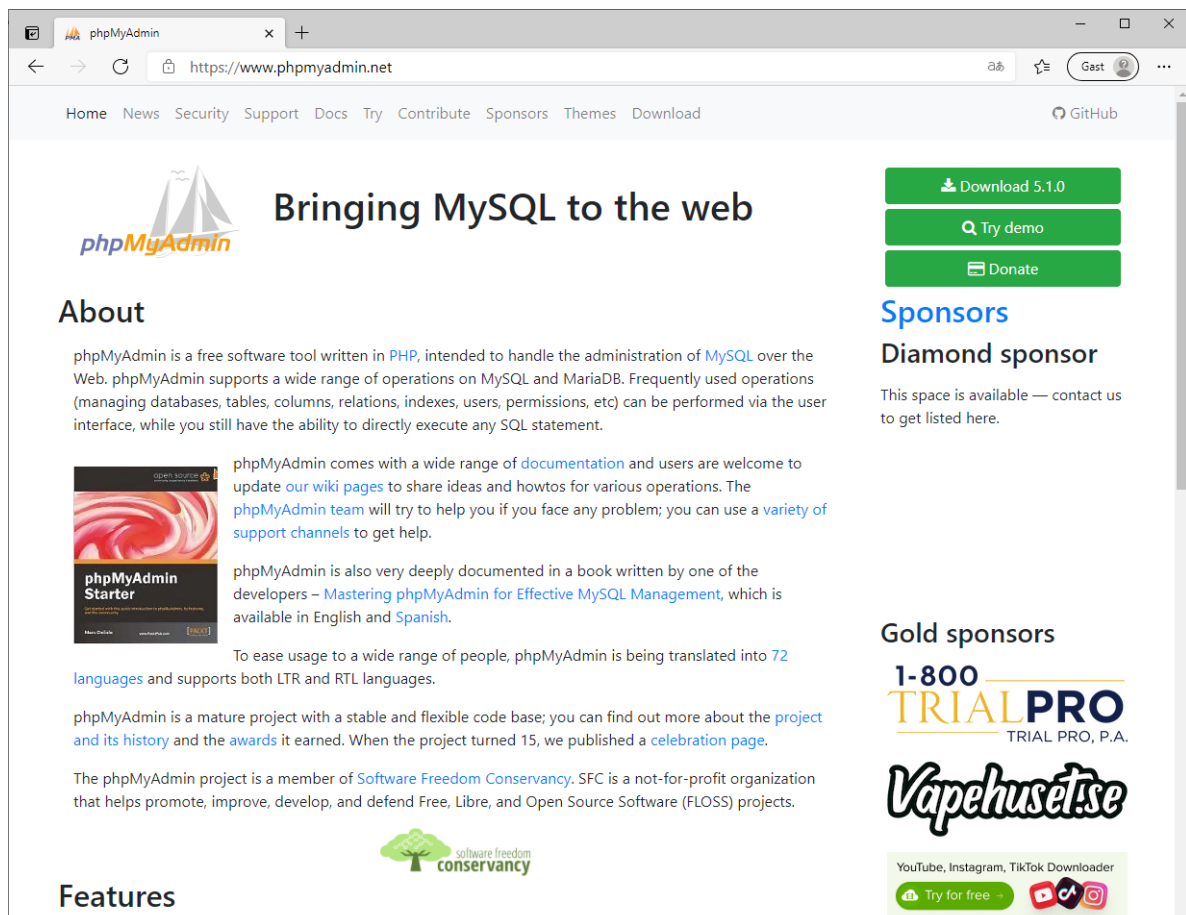
Now we can install the latest phpMyAdmin version.

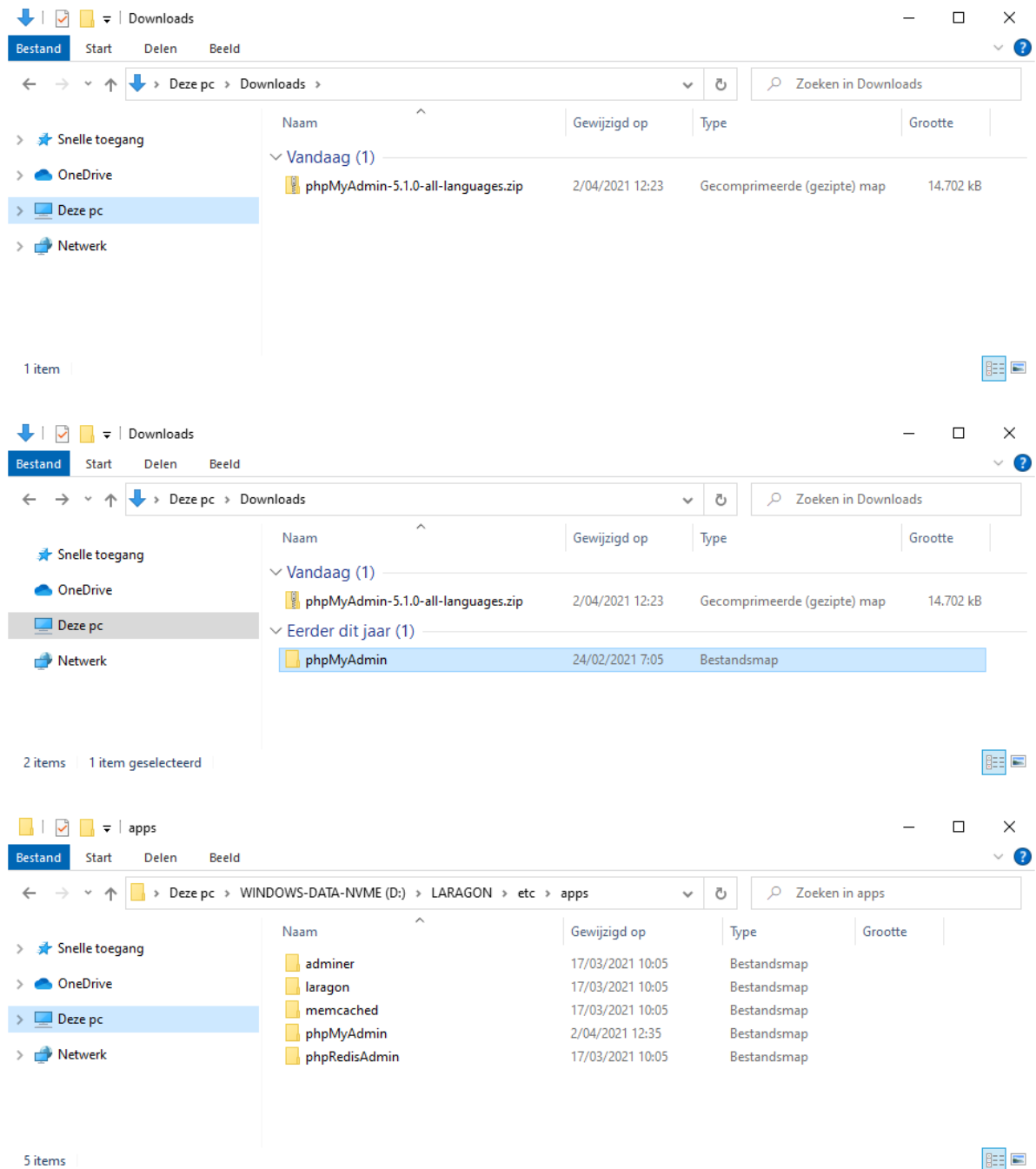
- In the menu, select **Tools** → **Quick add** → ***phpMyAdmin**.
- After installing phpMyAdmin, <http://localhost/phpmyadmin> will be opened in a new browser tab or window.
- In a fresh Laragon installation, the default user is **root** and the password is not set.
- Select your preferred language.
- Log in to phpMyAdmin by clicking the **Go** button.



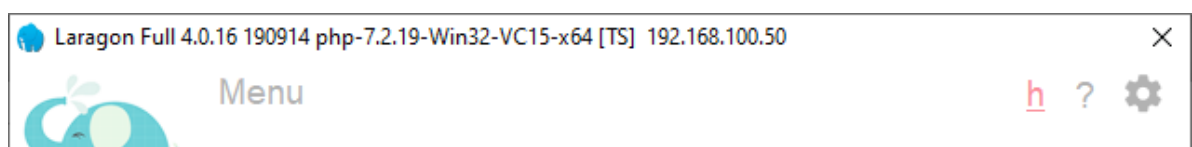
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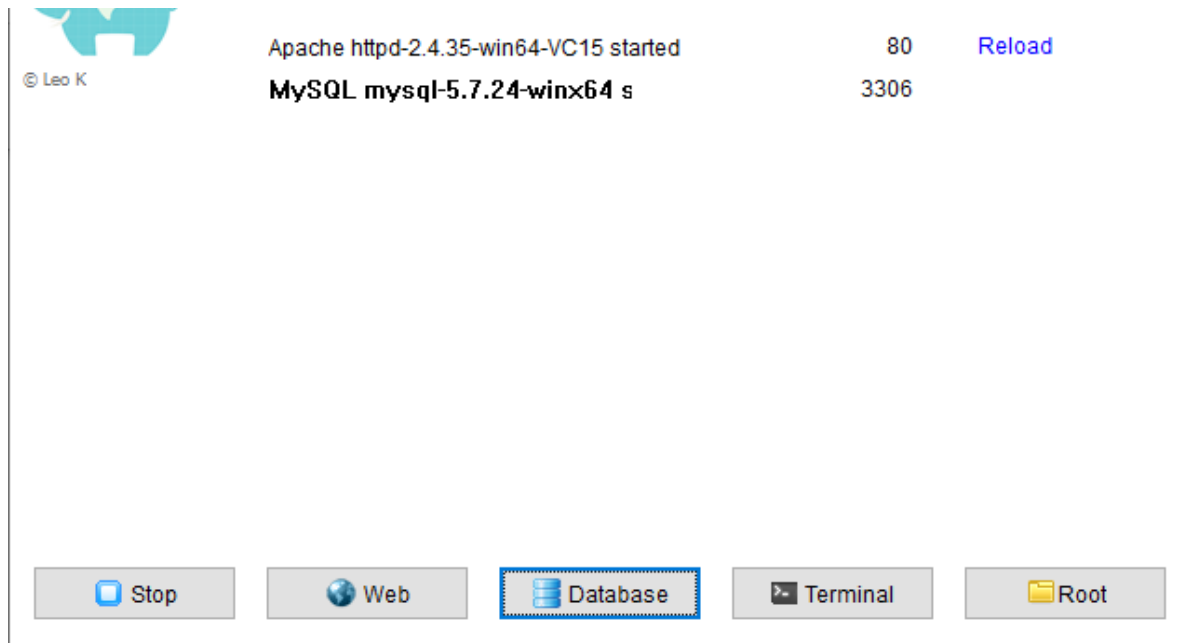
- Download the latest phpMyAdmin version as a ZIP archive from [phpmyadmin.net](https://www.phpmyadmin.net) into your \Downloads\ folder.
- The compressed file is named for instance **phpMyAdmin-5.1.0-all-languages.zip**.
- Unpack the downloaded ZIP archive in a folder with the same name **phpMyAdmin-5.1.0-all-languages**.
- Rename the folder to **phpMyAdmin**.
- Delete any existing \etc\apps\phpMyAdmin\ folder of your Laragon installation.
- Move the complete \phpMyAdmin\ folder from your \Downloads\ folder to the \etc\apps\ folder of your Laragon installation.





In Laragons horizontal Button Menu, you can now click the **Database** button to open phpMyAdmin.




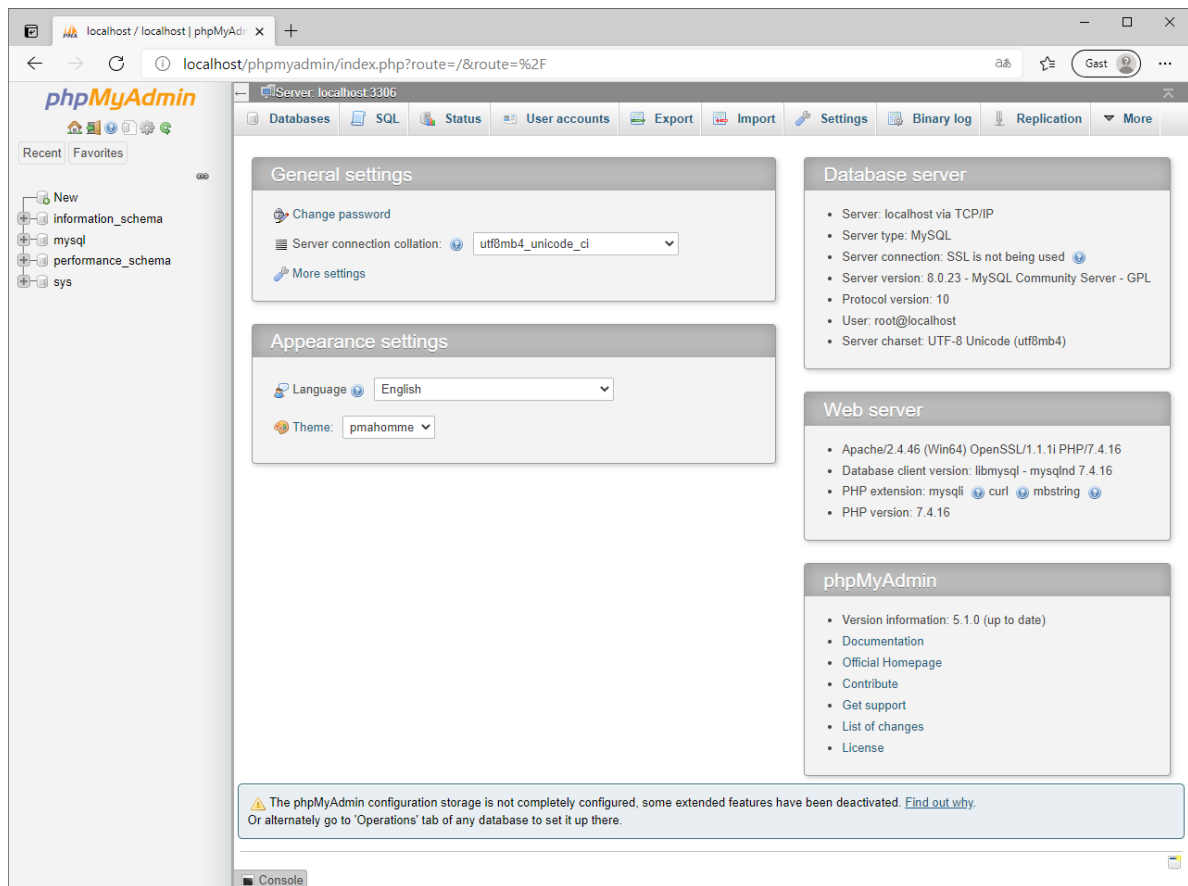


4. Configure phpMyAdmin

In case you installed phpMyAdmin for the first time, it will complain about the secret passphrase not being set in the configuration file :

- Open **\etc\apps\phpMyAdmin\config.inc.php** and look for following code (around line 16) :
- `$cfg['blowfish_secret'] = 'mwerhgd-myhVgnvcVEjj'; /* YOU MUST FILL IN THIS FOR COOKIE AUTH! */`
- Replace the secret with a random string that is at least 32 characters long :
- `$cfg['blowfish_secret'] = 'P5DS+radU0T0qI7HX$ch!eb3zwnDDoDr';`
- Save the file and exit de editor.
- Log off and log back on again to phpMyAdmin. The warning should be gone now.

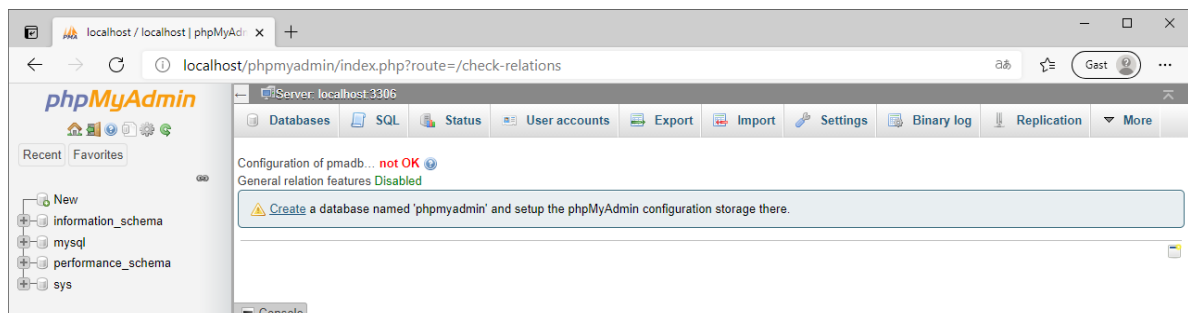
 The secret passphrase in configuration (blowfish_secret) is too short.

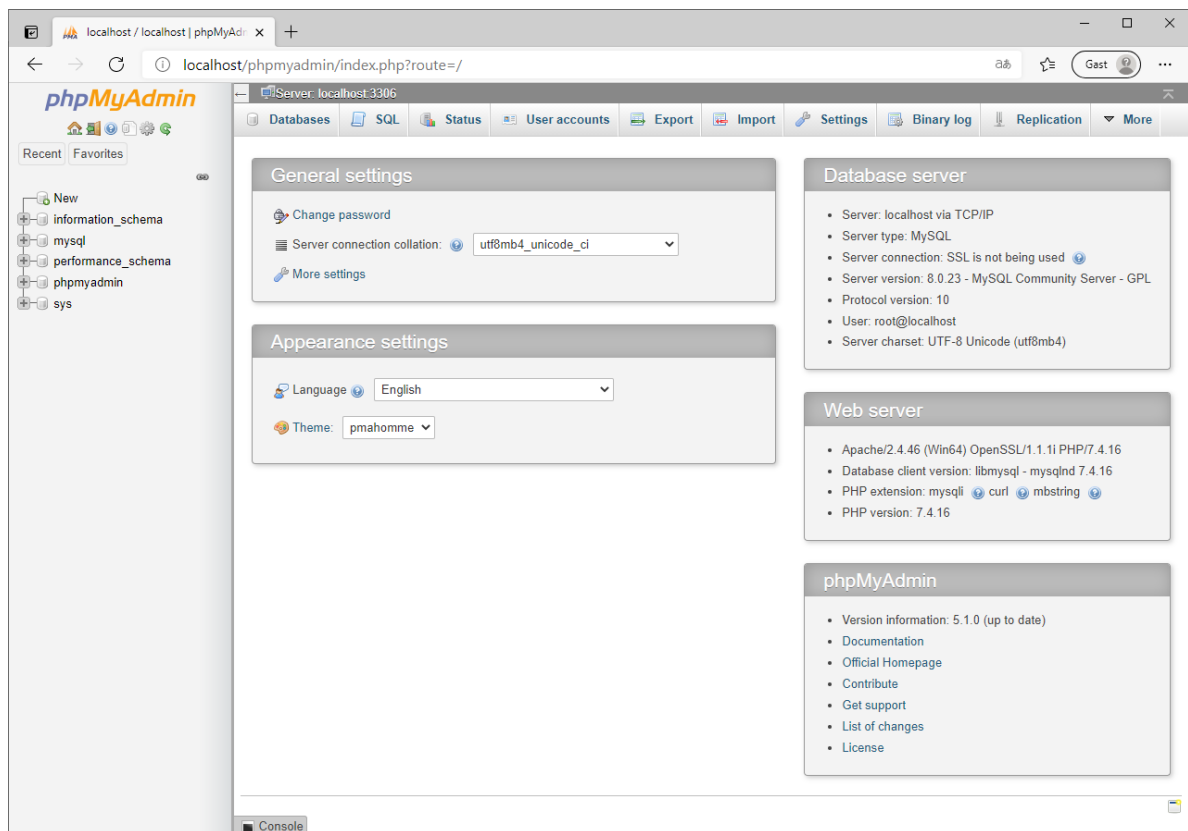
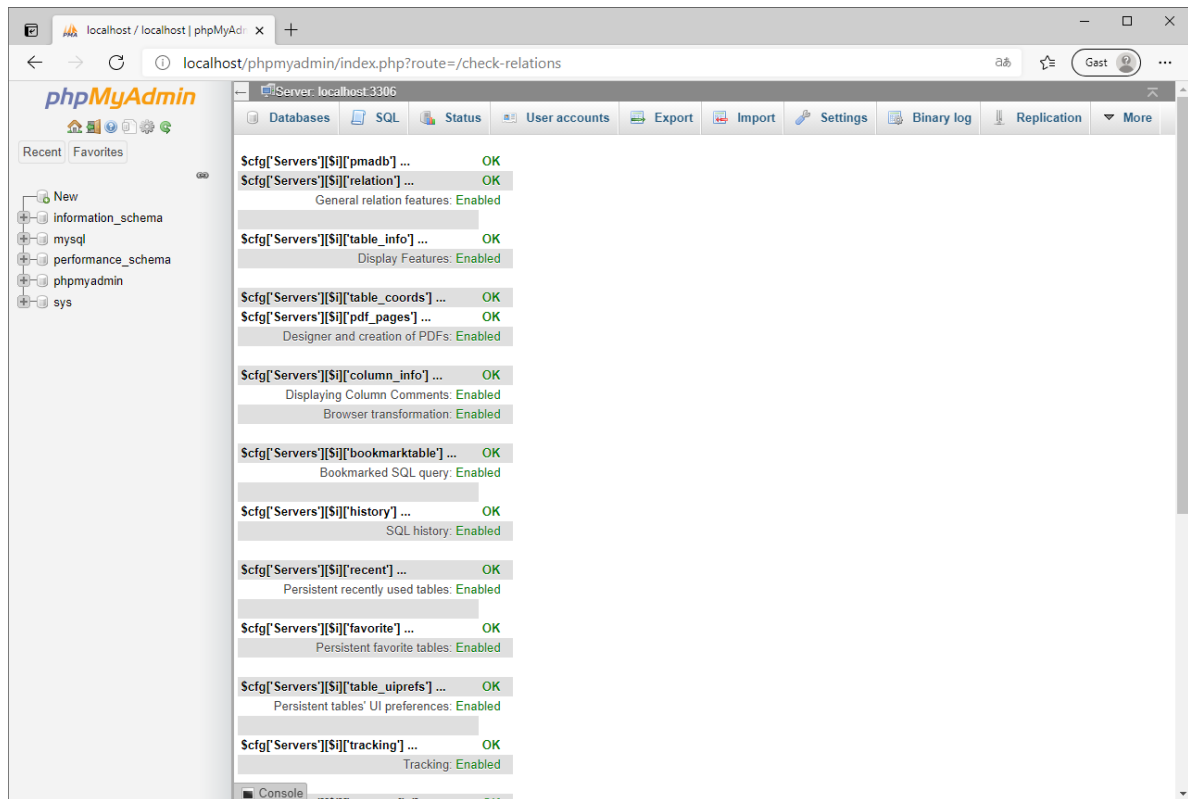


In case you installed phpMyAdmin for the first time, it may also complain about the phpMyAdmin configuration storage not being completely configured :

- Inside the warning, click on the link **Find out why**.
- Inside the next notice, click on the link **Create**.
- phpMyAdmin will now create and configure a database named **phpmyadmin**.
- Click on the **Home** button. The warning should be gone now.

⚠ The phpMyAdmin configuration storage is not completely configured, some extended features have been deactivated. [Find out why](#).
Or alternately go to 'Operations' tab of any database to set it up there.





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This was very helpful. Of all the content I came across on this topic, yours was the only one that mentioned the issue of cookie and editing that config file. That actually solved my problem.

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