

RUNNING SPLUNK ON WINDOWS 11 USING DOCKER

(Total Time: 15 mins)

Prerequisites:

1. Make sure Docker Desktop is installed

MAC: <https://docs.docker.com/desktop/setup/install/mac-install/>

WINDOWS: <https://docs.docker.com/desktop/setup/install/windows-install/>

LINUX: <https://docs.docker.com/desktop/setup/install/linux/>

2. If you are using Windows , make sure WSL (Subsystem for Linux) is installed.

Documentation: <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/windows/wsl/install>

Docker Image:

Docker Image is available for Splunk on Docker hub (1.2 GB Size).

Image Link and Documentation: <https://hub.docker.com/r/splunk/splunk>

Use the following command to pull the docker image from Docker Hub:

```
docker pull splunk/splunk:latest
```

Terminal:

```
$ docker pull splunk/splunk:latest
latest: Pulling from splunk/splunk
b2abe6be4acb: Pull complete
fc3a2183f4da: Pull complete
bd61a0d532eb: Pull complete
c82e132ce5fc: Pull complete
8c513b00ce36: Pull complete
133cfad7d9ef: Pull complete
b7768c8f6aa6: Pull complete
5f5b632e6750: Pull complete
83a01b254263: Pull complete
4f4fb700ef54: Pull complete
0922b98ea72b: Pull complete
Digest:
```

```
sha256:8adbca4db55be5a962ef7897cfe60d3cf64ef02715b0723d2140ddd945d48522
```

```
Status: Downloaded newer image for splunk/splunk:latest
```

```
docker.io/splunk/splunk:latest
```

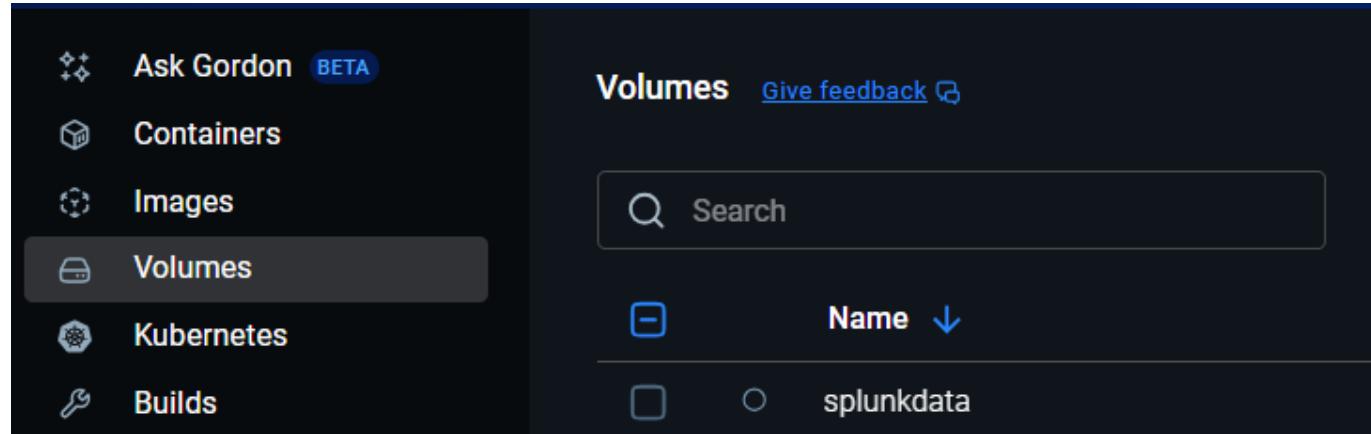
Create a Volume for Persistant Data for Splunk

The following command is used to create a persistant volume:

```
docker volume create splunkdata
```

Terminal:

```
$ docker volume create splunkdata  
splunkdata
```



Create a local directory to mount the volume:

```
mkdir splunkdata
```

Why are we creating a volume and attaching it with the container?

Answer - Because Docker Volumes exists independently from the life of a container. Even if Container gets removed. Thus all the data will be reserved.

Command to run the container:

We are running the following command that performs the following:

- Run container using the latest splunk image.
- Setting a volume to a mount point for the data to persist.
- The docker has been mapped to a host port of 8000 and port 8000 of the container.
- We are accepting the license agreement.
- We are setting the admin password as per Splunk password standards.

Command:

```
docker run -d -p 8000:8000 -v splunkdata:<path of the directory> -e "SPLUNK_START_ARGS=--accept-license" -e "SPLUNK_GENERAL_TERMS=--accept-sgt-current-at-splunk-com" -e "SPLUNK_PASSWORD=<your password>" --name splunk splunk/splunk:latest
```

Check and confirm that the docker container is running:

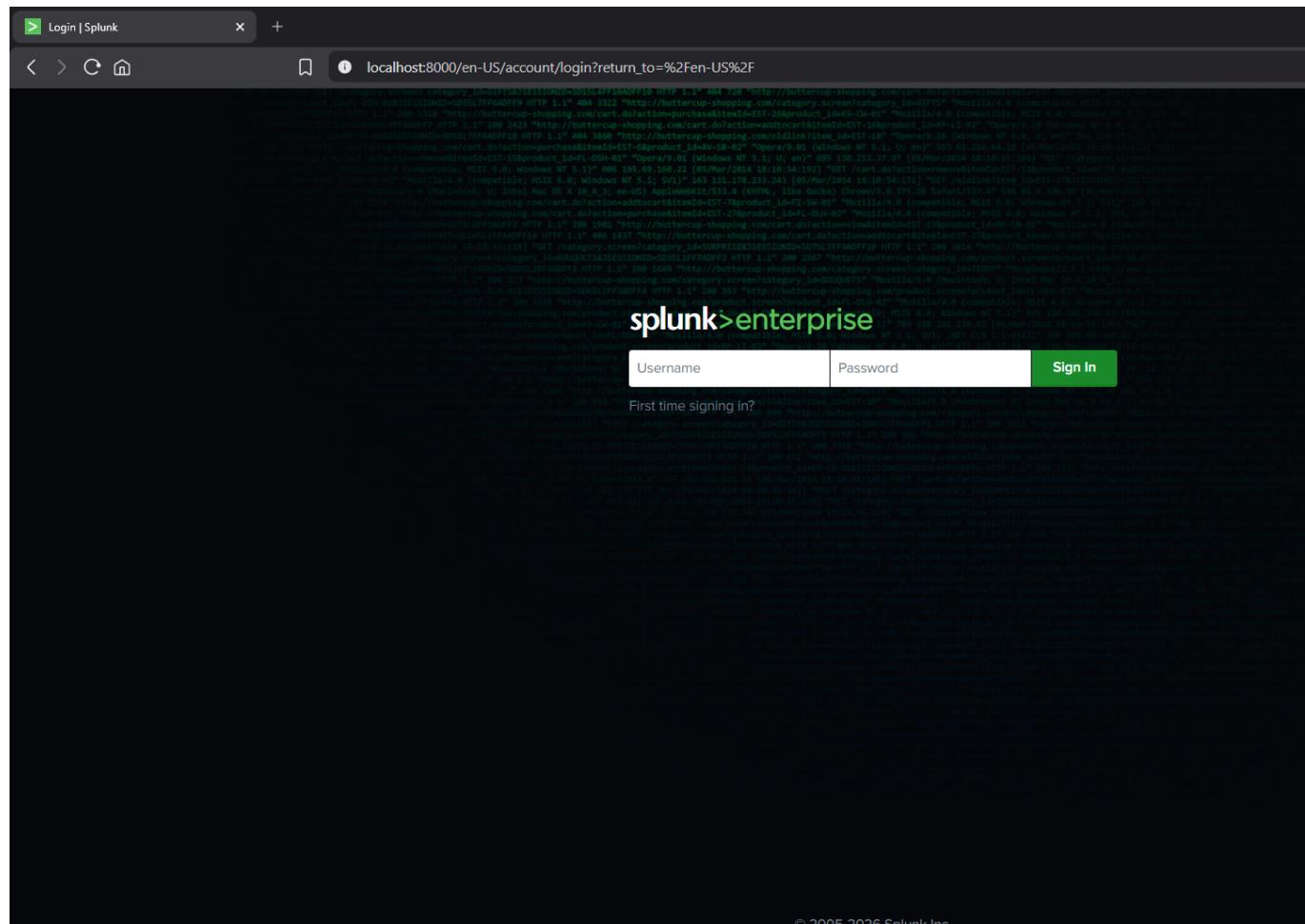
Terminal:

```
docker ps
```

CONTAINER ID	IMAGE	COMMAND	CREATED	NAMES
STATUS		PORTS		
d2b387b319e5	splunk/splunk:latest	" /sbin/entrypoint.sh... "	2 minutes ago	Up 2 minutes (healthy)
		0.0.0.0:8000->8000/tcp, [::]:8000->8000/tcp		splunk

Validation

Splunk Interface on localhost:



Splunk Adminstrator Interface after login and ready for POC:

The screenshot shows the Splunk Administrator Interface (Admin UI) running in a web browser. The URL is `localhost:8000/en-US/app/launcher/home`. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Apps, Messages, Settings, Activity, Help, and Find. The user is logged in as 'Administrator'. The main content area displays a 'Hello, Administrator' message and several sections: 'My bookmarks (0)', 'Shared with my organization (0)', 'Shared by me', and 'Splunk recommended (13)'. Under 'Common tasks', there are six cards: 'Add data', 'Search your data', 'Visualize your data', 'Manage alerts', 'Add team members', and 'Configure mobile devices'.

Apps

Find more apps Manage

Search apps by name...

My bookmarks (0) Add bookmark

Shared with my organization (0) Add bookmark

Shared by me

Shared by other administrators

Splunk recommended (13)

Common tasks Hide for users

- Add data Add data from a variety of common sources.
- Search your data Turn data into doing with Splunk search.
- Visualize your data Create dashboards that work for your data.
- Manage alerts Manage the alerts that monitor your data.
- Add team members Add your team members to Splunk platform.
- Configure mobile devices Login or manage mobile devices using Splunk Secure Gateway.