Laravel BookShop Project – Step-by-Step Setup Notes

Step 1: Create Database

Command:

CREATE DATABASE laravel bookshop;

Why:

Laravel requires a MySQL database to store data such as books, users, and orders.

Step 2: Create a New Laravel Project

Commands:

composer create-project laravel/laravel
laravel-bookshop
cd laravel-bookshop
php artisan serve

Why:

Sets up a fresh Laravel application with the default folder structure.

⊘ Check:

Visit http://127.0.0.1:8000 — you should see the Laravel welcome page.

Step 3: Configure Database Connection

Edit .env file:

```
DB_CONNECTION=mysql
DB_HOST=127.0.0.1
DB_PORT=3306
DB_DATABASE=laravel_bookshop
DB_USERNAME=root
DB_PASSWORD=your_mysql_password
```

Then run:

```
php artisan config:clear
php artisan migrate
```

Why:

This tells Laravel how to connect to your MySQL database and initializes the default migrations (users, password resets, etc.).

Step 4: Create Book Model, Controller & Factory

Command:

```
php artisan make:model Book -cfm
```

Breakdown:

Model (Book) \rightarrow Represents the books table.

Controller (BookController) \rightarrow Handles all book-related logic (CRUD operations).

Factory \rightarrow Generates fake book data for testing.

Migration \rightarrow Defines the structure of the books table.

Step 5: Define Books Table Structure (Migration)

```
Edit file:
database/migrations/xxxx xx xx create books
table.php
Code:
public function up(): void
    Schema::create('books', function
(Blueprint $table) {
         $table->id();
         $table->string('title', 255);
         $table->string('author');
         $table->string('isbn', 13);
         $table->smallInteger('stock')-
>default(0);
         $table->float('price', 8, 2);
         $table->timestamps();
    });
}
Run migration:
php artisan migrate: fresh
  Why:
Rebuilds all tables using the latest migration definitions.
```

Step 6: Insert Fake Data Using Model Factory

∀ Edit Factory

```
File: database/factories/BookFactory.php
return [
    'title' => $this->faker->sentence,
    'author' => $this->faker->name,
    'isbn' => $this->faker->unique()-
>isbn13(),
    'stock' => $this->faker-
>numberBetween(0, 50),
    'price' => $this->faker->randomFloat(2,
10, 100),
];

    ✓ Edit Seeder

File: database/seeders/DatabaseSeeder.php
use App\Models\Book;
\App\Models\User::truncate();
\App\Models\Book::truncate();
\App\Models\Book::factory(100) ->create();
Run:
php artisan db:seed
 Why:
```

Populates the database with 100 fake books for testing and UI development.

Verify Data

Check in MySQL or phpMyAdmin:

```
SELECT * FROM books;
```

Check:

You should see 100 fake books generated by the factory.

Step 7: Display Books on the Web Page

1. Create View File

Path:

```
resources/views/books/index.blade.php
```

Code:

```
<h1>Book List</h1>

    @foreach ($books as $book)
        {{ $book->title }} by {{ $book->author }}
    @endforeach
```

Why:

Displays all books fetched from the database using a simple Blade template.

2. Update Controller

```
Path:
app/Http/Controllers/BookController.php
Code:
<?php
namespace App\Http\Controllers;
use App\Models\Book;
use Illuminate\Http\Request;
class BookController extends Controller
{
    public function index()
        $books = Book::all();
        return view('books.index')-
>with('books', $books);
}
```

Why:

The index () method retrieves all books from the books table and passes them to the view.

3. Define Route

```
Path:
routes/web.php

Code:
<?php

use Illuminate\Support\Facades\Route;
use App\Http\Controllers\BookController;

Route::get('/', [BookController::class, 'index']);

Why:
This route sends requests from the home URL (/) to the
BookController@index method.

https://laravel.com/docs/12.x/pagination#cursor-paginator-
```

Step 1 — Enable Bootstrap 5 for Pagination

File: app/Providers/AppServiceProvider.php

1. Add:

instance-methods

use Illuminate\Pagination\Paginator;

2. Inside boot() method:

Paginator::useBootstrapFive();

```
Step 2 — Controller Pagination
In your controller (e.g. BookController):
public function index()
 $books = Book::paginate(10);
 return view('books.index')->with('books', $books);
Step 3 — Blade Pagination Links
At the bottom of your index.blade.php, add:
{{ $books->links() }}
Step 4 — Layout Setup
In resources/views/layout.blade.php, add:
@yield('page-content')
Use this in each view:
@extends('layout')
@section('page-content')
 <!-- Page content here -->
@endsection
Step 5 — Table Design
In index.blade.php and show.blade.php:
Step 6 — Back Button in Show Page
At the bottom of show.blade.php:
<a href="{{ route('home') }}" class="btn btn-
primary">Back</a>
```

Step 7 — Optional Reference

Bootstrap examples:

https://getbootstrap.com/docs/5.3/examples/

In index page add

```
<a href = "{{route('show', $book->id)}}"> View</a>
```

In web.php

```
Route::get('/books/{id}/show', [BookController::class, 'show'])-
>name('show');
```

In bookcontroler

```
public function show($id){
    $books = Book::find($id);
    return view('books.show')->with('books', $books);
}
```

Steps for Adding a New Book in Laravel Project

1 Add "Add New Book" Button

```
     <a class="btn btn-primary" href="{{route('books.create')}}">
Add New Book</a>
```

2 Create Route for the Create Page

In web.php:

Route::get('/books/create', [BookController::class, 'create'])-

```
>name('books.create');
3 Add Create Function in Controller
In BookController.php:
public function create()
{
 return view('books.create');
4 Create Page Setup
In books/create.blade.php, add the form.
Add CSRF Protection:
@csrf
Use form layout from Bootstrap (Reference:
https://getbootstrap.com/docs/5.3/forms/overview/#overvie
w)
<div class="mb-3">
  <label for="title" class="form-label">Title</label>
  <input type="text" class="form-control" id="title"</pre>
name="title" value="{{old('title')}}">
  <div class="text-danger">{{$errors->first('title')}}</div>
</div>
5 Store Data (Form Submission Route)
In web.php:
```

```
Route::post('/books', [BookController::class, 'store'])-
>name('books.store');
6 Add Required Imports in Controller
In BookController.php:
use Illuminate\Http\Request;
In create page:
<form method="post" action="{{route('books.store')}}}">
7 Update Book Model
In Book.php:
class Book extends Model
 /** @use HasFactory<\Database\Factories\BookFactory> */
 use HasFactory;
 protected $fillable = [
    'title',
    'author',
    'isbn',
    'stock',
    'price',
```

8 Add Validation and Store Logic

Reference: https://laravel.com/docs/12.x/validation#quickwriting-the-validation-logic

```
public function store(Request $request)
  $rules = [
    'title' => 'required|max:255',
    'author' => 'required|max:255',
    'isbn' => 'required|size:13',
    'stock' => 'required|numeric|integer',
    'price' => 'required|numeric'
 ];
  $messages = [
    'isbn.size' => 'The ISBN must be exactly 13 characters.',
    'stock.integer' => 'The stock must be an integer value.',
  ];
  $request->validate($rules, $messages);
  Book::create($request->all());
  return redirect()->route('home')->with('success', 'Book
created successfully.');

✓ Now your "Add New Book" feature is complete. Visit
/books/create to test.
```

Steps for Deleting a Book in Laravel Project

1 Add Route for Deleting a Book

```
In web.php:
Route::delete('/books/{id}', [BookController::class,
'delete'])->name('books.delete');
```

2 Add Delete Function in Controller

```
In BookController.php:
public function delete(Request $request, $id)
{
    $book = Book::find($id);
    $book->delete();
    return redirect()->route('home');
}
```

3 Add Delete Button/Form in Index Page

```
In index.blade.php:

<form method="post" action="{{ route('books.delete', $book->id) }}">

@csrf
```

Steps to Implement Edit Functionality

Step 1: Add Edit Route in web.php

Add the following route to enable the edit functionality for each book:

```
Route::get('books/{id}/edit', [BookController::class, 'edit'])-
>name('books.edit');
```

Step 2: Add edit() Method in BookController.php

The edit() method fetches the book data by its ID and sends it to the edit view.

```
public function edit($id)
{
    $book = Book::find($id);
    return view('books.edit')->with('book', $book);
```

Step 3: Create edit.blade.php Page

Create a new file named edit.blade.php in resources/views/books/ directory.
This page will be similar to create.blade.php but will show existing book details.

```
<input type="hidden" name="id" value="{{ $book->id }}">
```

```
<div class="mb-3">
  <label for="title" class="form-label">Title</label>
  <input type="text" class="form-control" id="title"
  name="title"
    value ="{{ old('title', $book->title) }}">
  <div class="text-danger">{{ $errors->first('title') }}</div>
  </div>
```

Step 4: Add Update Route in web.php

This route handles the form submission to update the book data.

Route::post('books/update', [BookController::class, 'update'])->name('books.update');

Step 5: Add update() Method in BookController.php

The update() method validates and updates the book record in the database.

public function update(Request \$request) \$rules = ['title' => 'required|max:255', 'author' => 'required|max:255', 'isbn' => 'required|size:13', 'stock' => 'required|numeric|integer', 'price' => 'required|numeric']; \$messages = ['isbn.size' => 'The ISBN must be exactly 13 characters.', 'stock.integer' => 'The stock must be an integer value.',]; \$request->validate(\$rules, \$messages); \$book = Book::find(\$request->id); \$book->title = \$request->title; \$book->author = \$request->author; \$book->isbn = \$request->isbn; \$book->stock = \$request->stock;

```
$book->price = $request->price;
$book->save();

return redirect()->route('home')->with('success', 'Book updated successfully.');
}
```

Step 6: Add Edit Button in books.index.blade.php

Add an Edit button beside each book record to navigate to the edit page.

```
<a href="{{ route('books.edit', $book->id) }}" class="btn btn-sm btn-warning">Edit</a>
```

Steps to Implement Search Functionality

Step 1: Add Search Form in index.blade.php

Add the following Bootstrap search form at the top of your book listing page (index.blade.php).

It allows users to search books by title or author.

```
name="search" placeholder="Search by Title or Author"
            value="{{ request('search') }}">
        </div>
        <div class="col-auto">
          <button type="submit" class="btn btn-
secondary">Search</button>
        </div>
      </div>
    </form>
  </div>
  <!-- Add New Book Button -->
  <div class="col-lg-2 text-end mt-3 mt-lg-0">
    <a class="btn btn-primary"
href="{{ route('books.create') }}">Add New Book</a>
  </div>
</div>
```

Step 2: Modify index() Method in BookController.php

Update the index() method in BookController.php to handle search functionality.

This will allow users to filter books by title or author.

```
public function index(Request $request)
{
    $query = Book::query();

if ($request->filled('search')) {
    $search = $request->search;
```

```
$query->where('title', 'like', "%{$search}%")
    ->orWhere('author', 'like', "%{$search}%");
}
$books = $query->paginate(10);
return view('books.index', compact('books'));
}
```