

Docker Cheat Sheet



You will find most of the commands you need in this document. Just below the table there's a link to a more complete Cheat Sheet.

<code>docker pull mysql:latest</code>	Pulls an image from the Docker Registry
<code>docker images</code>	List all images
<code>docker inspect name OR id</code>	Info about a container
Start and run a container	
<code>docker run --name a_name IMAGE</code> example: <code>docker run --name a_name --env MYSQL_ROOT_PASSWORD=secret --detach mysql:8.0.28</code> Some common flags: <code>-d --detach</code> → run detached (will not block the terminal) <code>--rm</code> → Remove container once it stops <code>-p --publish</code> → Publish a containers port(s) to the host	
Manage Containers	
<code>docker ps</code> <code>docker ps --all</code>	List all running containers List all containers, including stopped containers
<code>docker stop a_name</code> <code>docker stop e4a...</code>	Stop running container using its name Stop a running container using its id. You usually only need the first 3-4 character of the id
<code>docker restart a_name</code> <code>docker restart e4a...</code>	Restart container using its name Restart a container using its id
<code>docker exec -it a_name bash</code>	Access the running container in an interactive terminal (-it) and get a bash shell in the container
Logging/debug	
<code>docker logs a_name</code>	Fetches the logs from the specified container. A must, if something does not work as expected
<code>docker logs -follow a_name</code>	Gets loginformation (debug statements) live
Clean up	
<code>docker rm a_name</code> <code>docker rm -f a_name</code>	Removes a stopped container Removes a container, even if running (-f = force)
<code>docker rmi f1aa..</code>	Removes an image <i>After some time with docker you should use docker images to see whether you have unused images, and the space they take up.</i>
<code>docker system prune</code>	Remove all unused Docker Objects (use with care) <i>Do this from time to time, after having played around with docker to free up resources</i>
<code>docker system df</code>	List used space

You can find a more complete Cheat Sheet here: <https://dockerlabs.collabnix.com/docker/cheatsheet/>

Docker Compose Cheat Sheet

The following is probably the only commands you will need for docker-compose this semester



All commands below must be executed in the root of the project (where docker-compose.yml) is located

<code>docker-compose up --build -d</code>	Build and start containers defined in a docker-compose.yml file
<code>docker compose stop</code> <code>docker ps -a</code>	Stop the containers Verify that the containers was stopped
<code>docker compose start</code> <code>docker ps</code>	Restart the containers Verify that the containers is running

Important: Remember on your vm you call docker compose like this **docker compose** not **docker-compose** (no hyphen between the two words)