Deploying PHP with Ansible, Ansible Vault, and Ansistrano

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Configuring a LAMP stack

requirements.yml

--- src: geerlingguy.apache - src: geerlingguy.composer - src: geerlingguy.mysql - src: geerlingguy.php - src: geerlingguy.php-mysql



ansible-galaxy install
-r requirements.yml

playbook.yml

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- hosts: webservers

roles:

- geerlingguy.apache
- geerlingguy.mysql
- geerlingguy.php
- geerlingguy.php-mysql
- geerlingguy.composer

```
# playbook.yml
---
vars:
   apache_vhosts:
    - servername: dransible
        documentroot: /app/web
```

```
# playbook.yml
---
vars:
   php_version: 7.4
   php_packages_extra:
     - libapache2-mod-php{{ php_version }}
     - libpcre3-dev
```

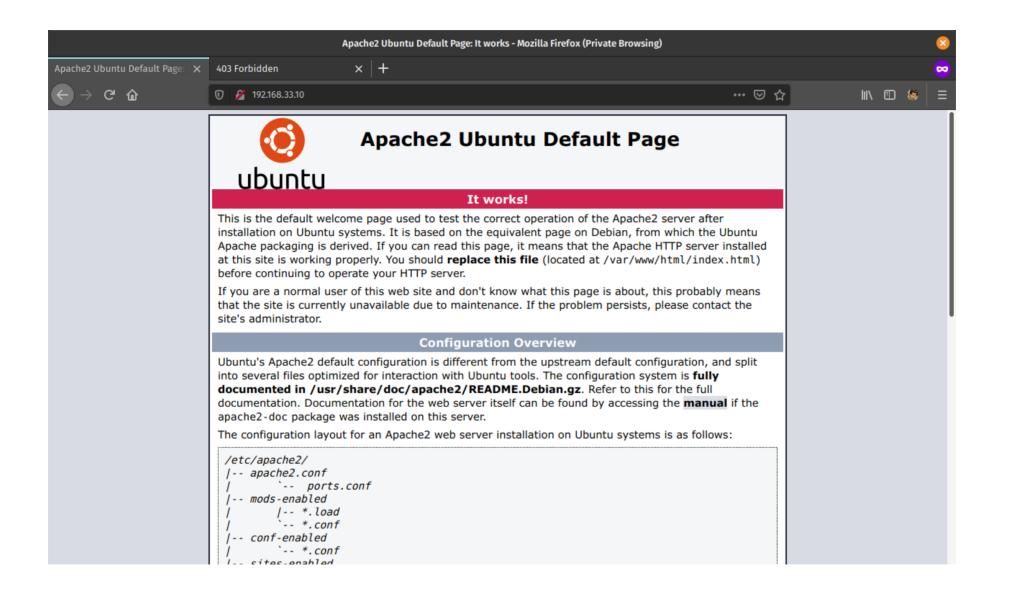
```
# playbook.yml
---
vars:
    mysql_databases:
    - name: main

mysql_users:
    - name: user
    password: secret
    priv: main.*:ALL
```

ansible-playbook provision.yml -i hosts.yml

```
ok: [webservers]
ok: [webservers]
TASK [geerlingguy.apache : Include variables for Amazon Linux.]
skipping: [webservers]
ok: [webservers]
included: /Users/opdavies/.ansible/roles/geerlingguy.apache/tasks/setup-Debian.yml for webservers
changed: [webservers]
```

```
ok: [webservers]
skipping: [webservers]
skipping: [webservers]
changed: [webservers]
changed: [webservers]
changed: [webservers]
skipping: [webservers]
: ok=111 changed=32 unreachable=0 failed=0 skipped=78 rescued=0
webservers
                    ignored=0
```







Forbidden

You don't have permission to access this resource.

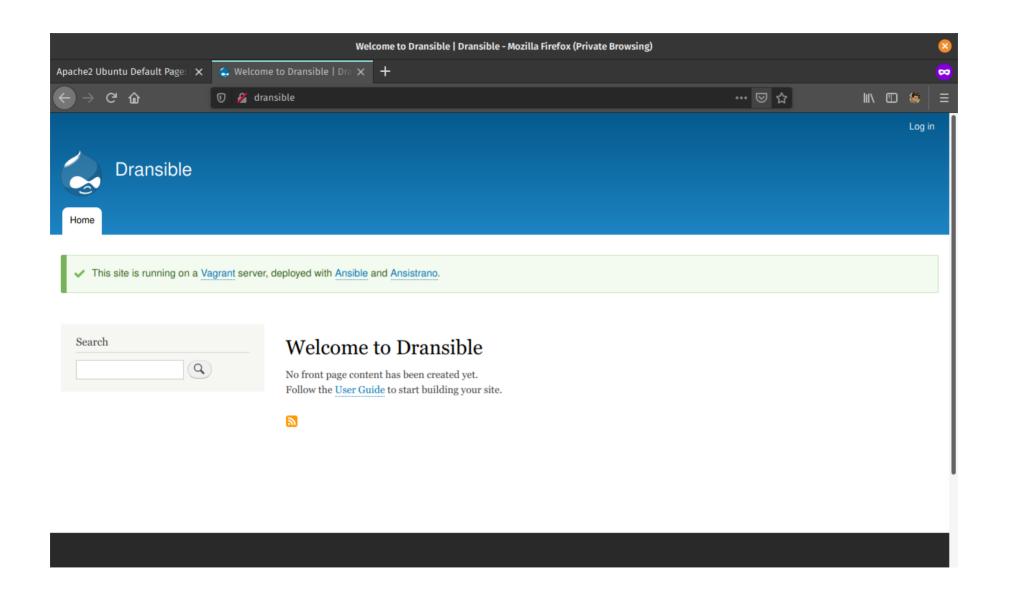
Apache/2.4.18 (Ubuntu) Server at dransible Port 80

Basic deployment

```
# deploy.yml
tasks:
 - name: Creating project directory
  file:
   path: /app
   state: directory
 - name: Uploading application
  synchronize:
   src: '{{ playbook_dir }}/../'
   dest: /app
```

- name: Installing Composer dependencies
composer:
 command: install
 working_dir: /app

ansible-playbook deploy.yml -i hosts.yml



Disadvantages

- Sensitive data stored in plain text
- Single point of failure
- No ability to roll back

Keeping secrets with Ansible Vault

```
vars:
    mysql_databases:
    - name: main

mysql_users:
    - name: user
    password: secret
    priv: main.*:ALL
```

provision_vault.yml

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vault_database_name: main
vault_database_user: user

vault_database_password: secret

ansible-vault encrypt
provision_vault.yml

New Vault password: Confirm New Vault password: Encryption successful \$ANSIBLE_VAULT; 1.1; AES256
63656632326165643137646334343537396533656565313032363262623962393861666438393539
6366336638316133373061306332303761383565343035330a373637373830356430353630356161
32313831663039343733343539636365386333303862363635323138346137666166356639323338
3264636538356634390a343766353661386666376362376439386630363664616166643364366335
6237353039393337383030633838653962656531336464313366613161313838343135363863634
39376437633462373934313236363662633832643138386433646230313465383337373031373137
61353963623364393134386335373731356337366464633531656435383161656435313530363234
37373865393839616534353165656463313961333532363537383263343364646534333032336337

```
# provision_vars.yml
---
database_name: '{{ vault_database_name }}'
database_user: '{{ vault_database_user }}'
database_password: '{{ vault_database_password }}'
```

```
# provision.yml
vars_files:
  - vars/provision_vault.yml
  - vars/provision_vars.yml
vars:
  mysql_databases:
    - '{{ database_name }}'
  mysql_users:
    - name: '{{ database_user }}'
      password: '{{ database_password }}'
      priv: '{{ database_name }}.*:ALL'
```

ansible-playbook deploy.yml
-i hosts.yml --ask-vault-pass

```
ansible-playbook deploy.yml
-i hosts.yml --vault-password-f
ile secret.txt
```

Better deployments with Ansistrano



♠ ★ Ansistrano

ansistrano.deploy and **ansistrano.rollback** are Ansible Galaxy roles to easily manage the deployment process for scripting applications such as PHP, Python and Ruby. It's an Ansible port for Capistrano.

Wow! 943303 deployments so far!

Today, teams using Ansistrano have already deployed **812** times. When considering the whole month, the amount of deployments is **22145** and this year we've reached the **22145** deployments.

Ouch! 2601 rollbacks so far!

On the other hand, today teams rollbacked **0** times. That's **18** times considering the whole month and **18** if considering the whole year. Rollback vs. Deployment ratio is **0.28%**, nice! Keep the good work.

Deployments by weekday



Features

- Multiple release directories
- Shared paths and files
- Customisable
- Multiple deployment strategies
- Multi-stage environments
- Prune old releases
- Rollbacks

requirements.yml

- src: ansistrano.deploy

- src: ansistrano.rollback

```
# deploy.yml
---
- hosts: all
   roles:
        - ansistrano.deploy
```

```
# deploy.yml
---
vars:
    project_deploy_dir: /app

    ansistrano_deploy_to: '{{ project_deploy_dir }}'
    ansistrano_deploy_via: git
    ansistrano_git_branch: master
    ansistrano_git_repo: 'git@github.com:opdavies/dransible'
```

```
ok: [webservers]
included: /Users/opdavies/.ansible/roles/ansistrano.deploy/tasks/setup.vml for webservers
ok: [webservers]
ok: [webservers]
ok: [webservers]
ok: [webservers] => (item=web/sites/default/files)
```

changed: [webservers] included: /Users/opdavies/.ansible/roles/ansistrano.deploy/tasks/cleanup.yml for webservers changed: [webservers] included: /Users/opdavies/.ansible/roles/ansistrano.deploy/tasks/anon-stats.yml for webservers skipping: [webservers] webservers changed=14 unreachable=0 failed=0 : ok=33 skipped=7 rescued=0 ignored=0

```
vagrant@dransible:/app$ ls -l
total 8

lrwxrwxrwx 1     26 Jul 19 00:15 current -> ./releases/20190719001241Z
drwxr-xr-x 5 4096 Jul 22 20:30 releases
drwxr-xr-x 4 4096 Jul 19 00:00 shared
```

```
vagrant@dransible:/app/releases$ ls -l
total 20

drwxr-xr-x    5  4096 Jul 22 20:30 .
drwxr-xr-x    4  4096 Jul 19 00:15 ..
drwxr-xr-x    10  4096 Jul 19 00:02 20190719000013Z
drwxr-xr-x    10  4096 Jul 19 00:14 20190719001241Z
drwxr-xr-x    9  4096 Jul 22 20:30 20190722203038Z
```

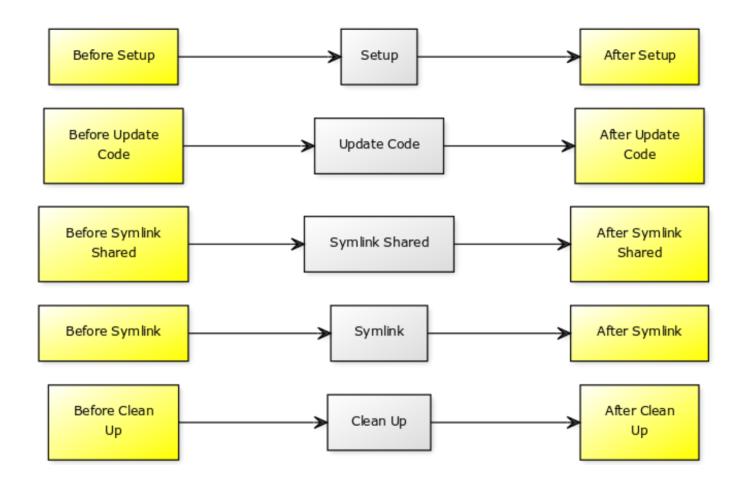
```
# rollback.yml
---
- hosts: all

roles:
    - ansistrano.rollback

vars:
    ansistrano_deploy_to: '{{ project_deploy_dir }}'
```

ansible-playbook rollback.yml -i hosts.yml

Customising Ansistrano: Build Hooks





```
# deploy.yml
vars:
  ansistrano_after_symlink_shared_tasks_file: >
    '{{ playbook_dir }}/deploy/after-symlink-shared.yml'
  ansistrano_after_symlink_tasks_file: >
    '{{ playbook_dir }}/deploy/after-symlink.yml'
  ansistrano_after_update_code_tasks_file: >
    '{{ playbook_dir }}/deploy/after-update-code.yml'
  release_web_path: '{{ ansistrano_release_path.stdout }}/web'
  release_drush_path: '{{ ansistrano_release_path.stdout }}/bin/drush'
```

```
# deploy/after-update-code.yml
---
- name: Install Composer dependencies
  composer:
    command: install
    working_dir: '{{ ansistrano_release_path.stdout }}'
```

```
# deploy/after-symlink-shared.yml
---
- name: Run database updates
   command: >
      {{ release_drush_path }}
      --root {{ release_web_path }}
      updatedb
```

```
# deploy/after-symlink.yml
---
- name: Rebuild Drupal cache
  command: >
     {{ release_drush_path }}
     --root {{ release_web_path }}
     cache-rebuild
```

Demo

Generating settings files per deployment

```
# deploy_vars.yml
drupal_settings:
  - drupal_root: /app/web
    sites:
      - name: default
        settings:
          databases:
            default:
              default:
                driver: mysql
                host: localhost
                database: '{{ database_name }}'
                username: '{{ database_user }}'
                password: '{{ database_password }}'
          hash_salt: '{{ hash_salt }}'
          config_directories:
            sync: ../config/sync
```

```
{# templates/settings.php.j2 #}
{% for key, values in item.1.settings.databases.items() %}
{% for target, values in values.items() %}
$databases['{{ key }}']['{{ target }}'] = array(
  'driver' => '{{ values.driver|default('mysgl') }}',
  'host' => '{{ values.host|default('localhost') }}',
  'database' => '{{ values.database }}',
  'username' => '{{ values.username }}',
  'password' => '{{ values.password }}',
{% endfor %}
{% endfor %}
{% if item.1.settings.base_url is defined %}
$base_url = '{{ item.1.settings.base_url }}';
{% endif %}
```

```
# tasks/main.yml
- name: Ensure directory exists
  file:
    state: directory
    path: '{{ item.0.drupal_root }}/sites/{{ item.1.name|default("default") }}'
  with subelements:
    - '{{ drupal_settings }}'
    - sites
  no_log: true
- name: Create settings files
  template:
    src: settings.php.j2
    dest:
      '{{ item.0.drupal_root }}/sites/{{ item.1.name|default("default") }}/{{
      item.1.filename|default("settings.php") }}'
```

```
with_subelements:
   - '{{ drupal_settings }}'
   - sites
no_log: true
```

Multiple environments development, test, production

```
# vars.yml
vars:
  mysql_databases:
    - name: production
    - name: staging
  mysql_users:
    - name: production
      password: '{{ live_db_password }}'
      priv: '{{ live_db_name }}.*:ALL'
    - name: staging
      password: '{{ staging_db_password }}'
      priv: staging.*:ALL
```

```
# hosts.yml
production:
  children:
    hosts:
      webservers:
        ansible_ssh_host: 192.168.33.10
        ansible_ssh_port: 22
        project_deploy_path: /app
        git_branch: production
        drupal_hash_salt: '{{ vault_drupal_hash_salt }}'
        drupal_install: false
        drupal_settings:
          # ...
```

```
# hosts.yml
staging:
  children:
    hosts:
      webservers:
        ansible_ssh_host: 192.168.33.10
        ansible_ssh_port: 22
        project_deploy_path: /app-staging
        git_branch: staging
        drupal_hash_salt: '{{ vault_drupal_hash_salt }}'
        drupal_install: true
        drupal_settings:
          # ...
```

ansible-playbook deploy.yml
-i hosts.yml --limit staging

ansible-playbook deploy.yml
-i hosts.yml --limit production

Thanks!

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