# First Look at Astro Basics

In this lesson, we explored the initial steps of setting up your Astro project. You learned about two primary approaches: starting from scratch or leveraging Astro's range of pre-made templates.

We highlighted the benefits of the official blog template and installed it together. By the end, you should have a functional Astro project ready in your browser.

**Links**

* [Astro Templates](https://astro.build/themes/)
* [Official Astro Blog Template](https://astro.build/themes/details/blog/)