

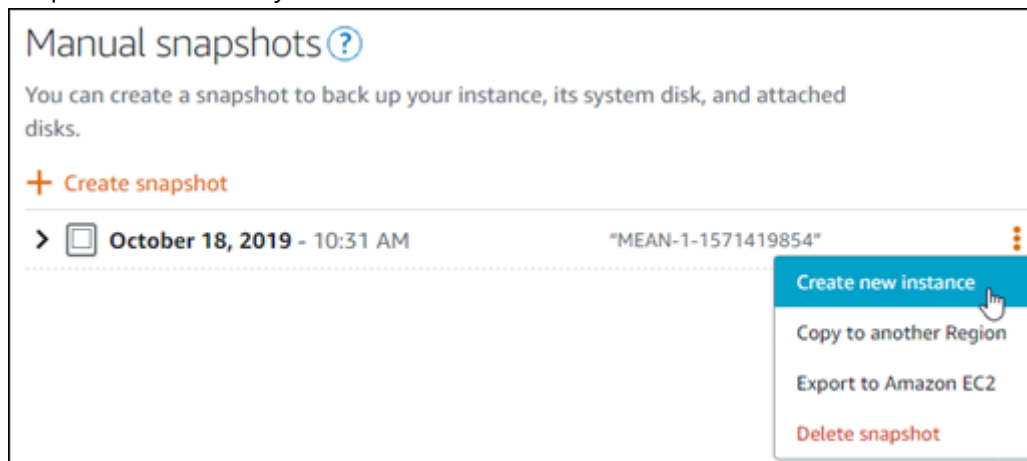
Creating an instance from a manual snapshot in Amazon Lightsail

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After you create a snapshot in Lightsail, you can create a new instance from that snapshot. The new instance will include the system disk and any attached block storage disks you added.

You must have a snapshot of an instance before you can create another instance from a snapshot. For more information, see [Creating a snapshot of your Linux or Unix instance in Amazon Lightsail](#) or [Creating a snapshot of your Windows Server instance in Amazon Lightsail](#).

1. On the Lightsail home page, choose the name of your instance for which you want to create a new instance from a snapshot.
2. Choose the **Snapshots** tab.
3. Under the **Manual snapshots** section of the page, choose the actions menu icon (:) next to the snapshot from which you want to create a new instance, and choose **Create new instance**.



4. On the **Create an instance from a snapshot** page, you have a few optional settings to decide on at the top. For example, you can change the Availability Zone, [add a launch script](#), or [change the way you connect to your instance](#).

You can accept all the defaults and move on to the next step.

5. Choose the plan (or *bundle*) for your new instance. At this point, you can choose to create a larger bundle size if you'd like. **Note**
You cannot create a smaller bundle size from a snapshot. Lightsail will gray out all the bundle options that are smaller than the bundle you originally used to make your snapshot.
6. Enter a name for your instance.

Resource names:

- Must be unique within each AWS Region in your Lightsail account.
- Must contain 2 to 255 characters.

- Must start and end with an alphanumeric character or number.
- Can include alphanumeric characters, numbers, periods, dashes, and underscores.

7. Choose one of the following options to add tags to your instance:

- **Add key-only tags** or **Edit key-only tags** (if tags have already been added). Enter your new tag into the tag key text box, and press **Enter**. Choose **Save** when you're done entering your tags to add them, or choose **Cancel** to not add them.



- **Create a key-value tag**, then enter a key into the **Key** text box, and a value into the **Value** text box. Choose **Save** when you're done entering your tags, or choose **Cancel** to not add them.

Key-value tags can only be added one at a time before saving. To add more than one key-value tag, repeat the previous steps.



Note

For more information about key-only and key-value tags, see [Tags in Amazon Lightsail](#).

8. Choose **Create instance**.

Lightsail takes you to the management page for your new instance, and you can start managing your new instance.