

Ajax 2: FourSquare API in Node

Agenda

- Foursquare Service
- FourSquare Developer
- Checkin API
- Insomnia REST Client
- Node.js program to access API, and retrieve checkin lists for a location

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Client Secret

HZPPG [REDACTED] 0HBY0LXX01CC

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- [OAuth2 and foursquare](#)
- [The foursquare API](#)

Credentials in Javascript

End Point of Interest

```
var fsConfig = {  
  base_url: 'https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore?',  
  client_id: 'Your ID',  
  client_secret: 'Your Secret',  
};  
  
console.log (fsConfig);
```

App Keys

API Documentation

Users

Venues

search
suggestcompletion

categories

timeseries

trending

explore

add

managed

Aspects

similar

photos

events

likes

nextvenues

hours

stats

links

menu

tips

herenow

listed

Actions

claim

dislike

flag

proposeedit

like

setrole

edit

setsinglelocation

Venuegroups

Checkins

Tips

Lists

Updates

Explore Recommended and Popular Venues

<https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore>

Returns a list of recommended venues near the current location.

If authenticated, the method will potentially personalize the ranking based on you and your friends. If you do not authenticate, you will not get this personalization.

This endpoint is part of the [venues API](#).

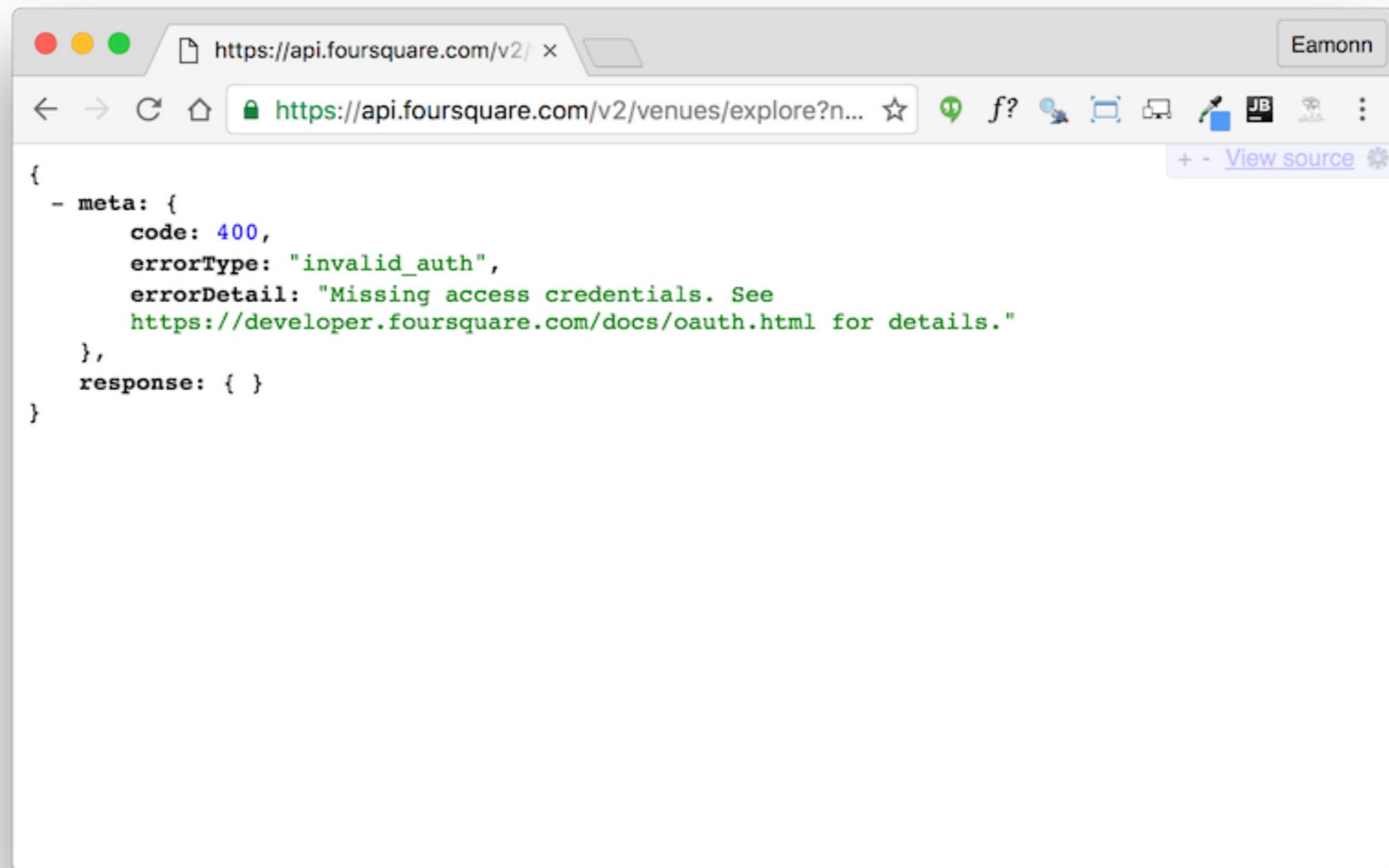
HTTP Method	GET
Requires Acting User	No (learn more)
Modes supported	foursquare (learn more)

Parameters

All parameters are optional, unless otherwise indicated.

ll	44.3,37.2	required unless near is provided. Latitude and longitude of the user's location.
near	Chicago, IL	required unless ll is provided. A string naming a place in the world. If the near string is not geocodable, returns a failed_geocode error. Otherwise, searches within the bounds of the geocode and adds a geocode object to the response.
llAcc	10000.0	Accuracy of latitude and longitude, in meters.
alt	0	Altitude of the user's location, in meters.
altAcc	10000.0	Accuracy of the user's altitude, in meters.
radius	250	Radius to search within, in meters. If radius is not specified, a suggested radius will be used based on the density of venues in the area.
section	food	One of food , drinks , coffee , shops , arts , outdoors , sights , trending or specials , nextVenues (venues frequently visited after a given venue), or topPicks (a mix of recommendations generated without a query from the user).

<https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore?near=Waterford,IE&query=&v=20140601>



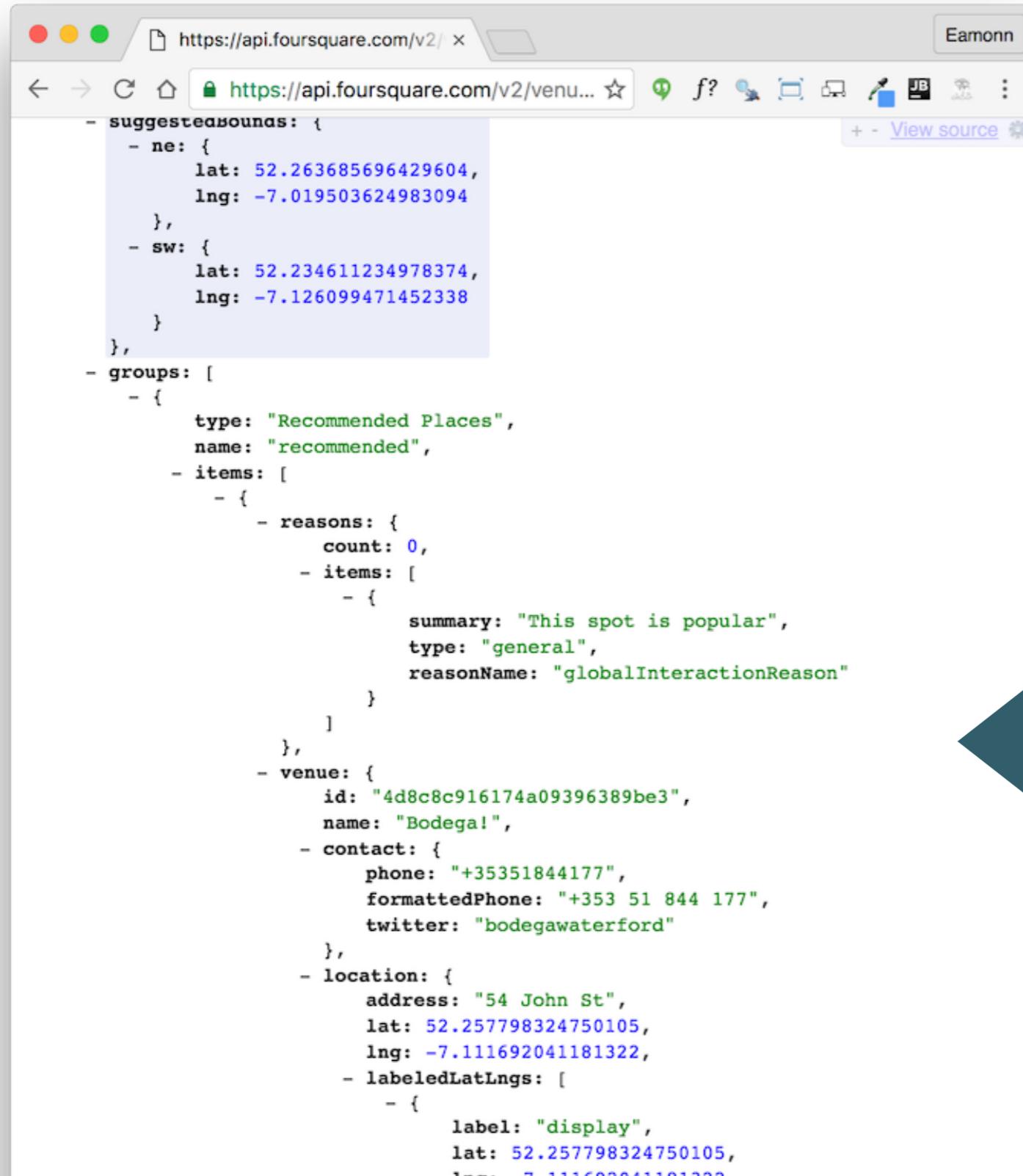
The screenshot shows a web browser window with the following details:

- Address Bar:** https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore?near=Waterford,IE&query=&v=20140601
- User:** Eamonn
- Toolbar:** Includes standard browser icons for back, forward, search, and refresh.
- Content Area:** Displays a JSON error response. The response is as follows:

```
{  
  - meta: {  
    code: 400,  
    errorType: "invalid_auth",  
    errorDetail: "Missing access credentials. See  
    https://developer.foursquare.com/docs/oauth.html for details."  
  },  
  response: {}  
}
```

GET Request

https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore?near=Waterford,IE&query=&client_id=YOUR_ID&client_secret=YOUR_SECRET&v=201



```
https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore?near=Waterford,IE&query=&client_id=YOUR_ID&client_secret=YOUR_SECRET&v=201

{
  "suggestions": [
    {
      "ne": {
        "lat": 52.263685696429604,
        "lng": -7.019503624983094
      },
      "sw": {
        "lat": 52.234611234978374,
        "lng": -7.126099471452338
      }
    },
    {
      "groups": [
        {
          "type": "Recommended Places",
          "name": "recommended",
          "items": [
            {
              "reasons": {
                "count": 0,
                "items": [
                  {
                    "summary": "This spot is popular",
                    "type": "general",
                    "reasonName": "globalInteractionReason"
                  }
                ]
              },
              "venue": {
                "id": "4d8c8c916174a09396389be3",
                "name": "Bodega!",
                "contact": {
                  "phone": "+35351844177",
                  "formattedPhone": "+353 51 844 177",
                  "twitter": "bodegawaterford"
                },
                "location": {
                  "address": "54 John St",
                  "lat": 52.257798324750105,
                  "lng": -7.111692041181322,
                  "labeledLatLngs": [
                    {
                      "label": "display",
                      "lat": 52.257798324750105,
                      "lng": -7.111692041181322
                    }
                  ]
                }
              }
            }
          ]
        }
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

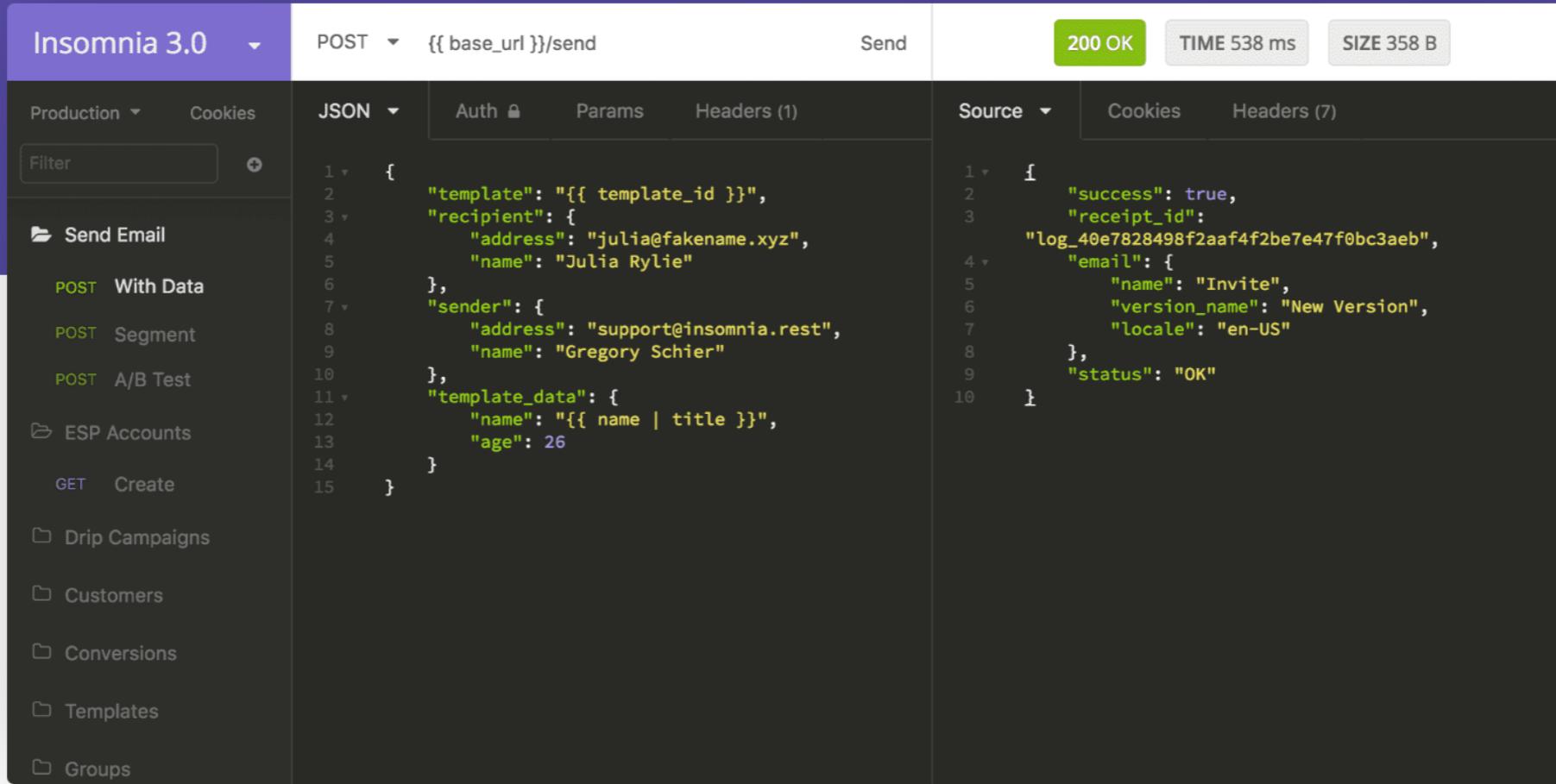
Your Credentials

JSON response

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The screenshot shows the Insomnia 3.0 interface with a POST request to `{{ base_url }}/send`. The request body is JSON, containing data for sending an email. The response is a 200 OK status with a response time of 538 ms and a size of 358 B. The response body is a JSON object with fields like success, receipt_id, log, email, and status.

```
1 v  {
2   "template": "{{ template_id }}",
3   "recipient": {
4     "address": "julia@fakename.xyz",
5     "name": "Julia Rylie"
6   },
7   "sender": {
8     "address": "support@insomnia.rest",
9     "name": "Gregory Schier"
10 },
11  "template_data": {
12    "name": "{{ name | title }}",
13    "age": 26
14  }
15 }
```

```
1 v  {
2   "success": true,
3   "receipt_id": "log_40e7828498f2aaaf4f2be7e47f0bc3aeb",
4   "email": {
5     "name": "Invite",
6     "version_name": "New Version",
7     "locale": "en-US"
8   },
9   "status": "OK"
10 }
```

GET https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore?near= Send

400 Bad Request

TIME 190 ms

SIZE 495 B

Insomnia

No Environment

Cookies

Filter



GET explore-no-auth

GET explore-auth

JSON

Auth

Query

Headers (1)

URL PREVIEW

```
https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore?near=Waterford,  
IE&query=&v=20140601
```

name

value

Source

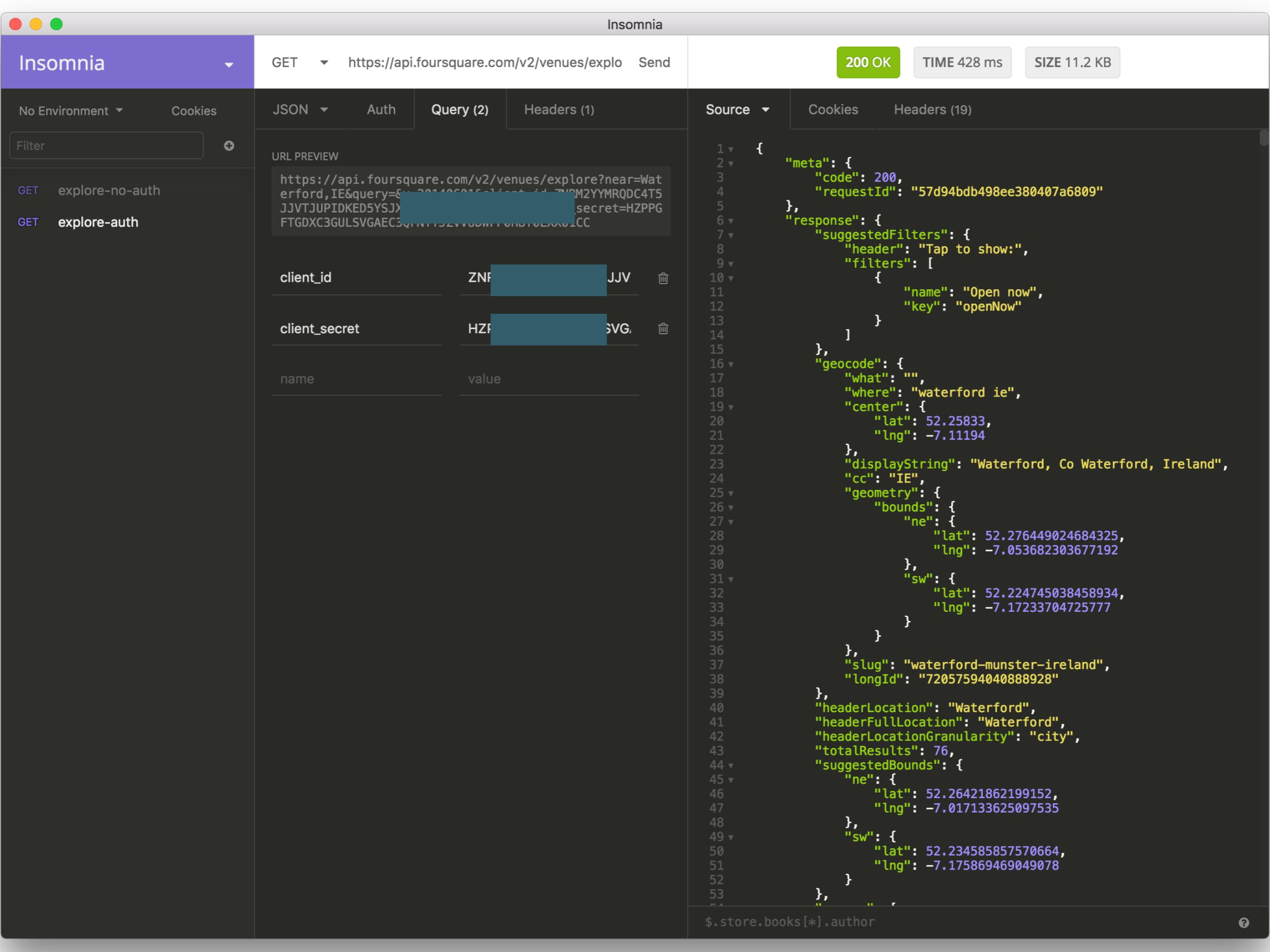
Cookies

Headers (12)

```
1 {  
2   "meta": {  
3     "code": 400,  
4     "errorType": "invalid_auth",  
5     "errorDetail": "Missing access credentials. See  
6     https://developer.foursquare.com/docs/oauth.html for details."  
7   },  
8   "response": {}  
}
```

\$.store.books[*].author





- 3,374 ‘Lines’ of JSON!

```
40601&cli
2YYMRQDC4T
ED5YSJX3FW
T2&client_
GFTGDXC3GU
TJZVVUDWF
CC

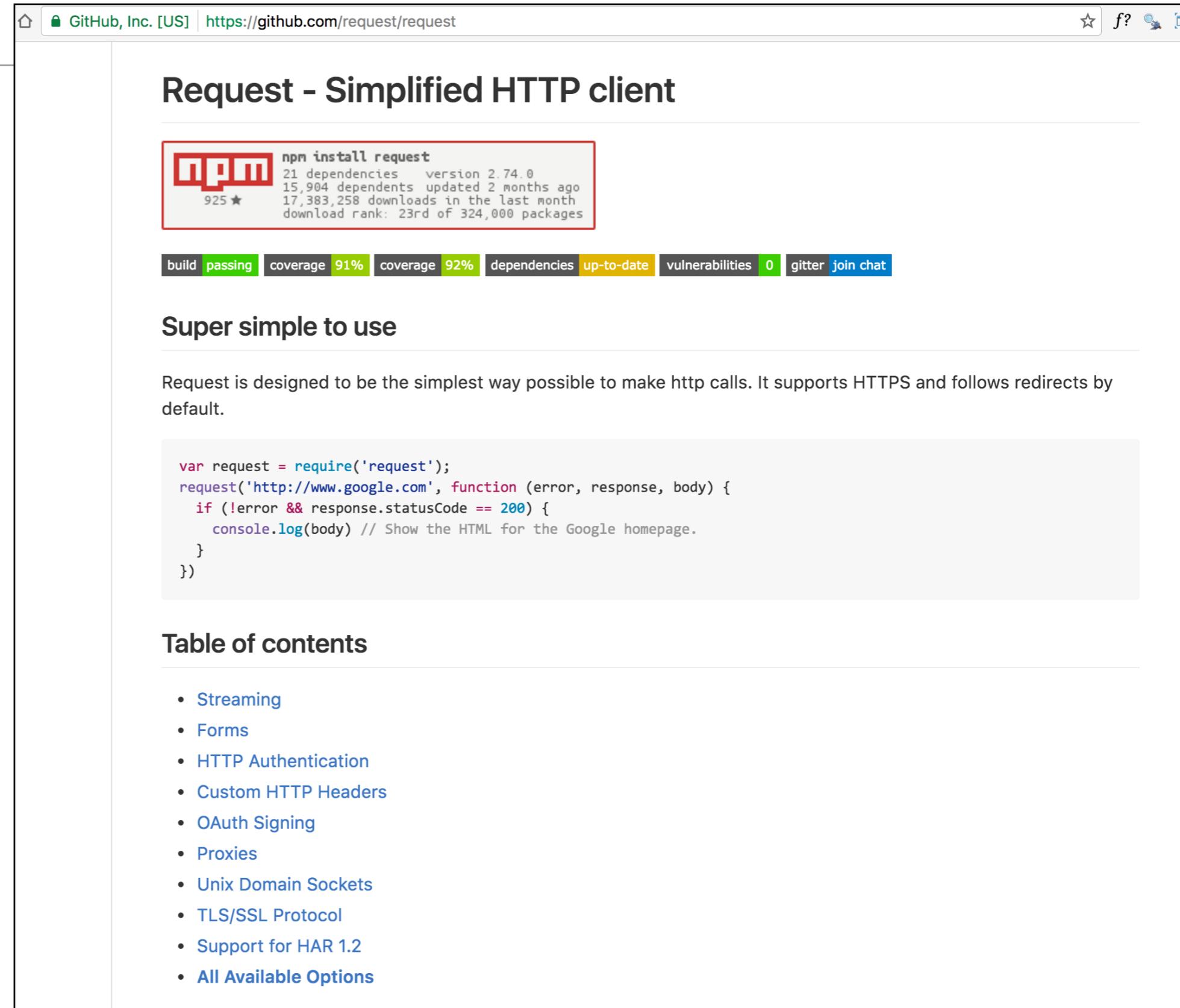
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"rating": 6.5,
"ratingSignals": 5,
"allowMenuUrlEdit": true,
"photos": {
  "count": 0,
  "groups": []
},
"hereNow": {
  "count": 0,
  "summary": "Nobody here",
  "groups": []
}
},
"tips": [
{
  "id": "54047319498e008a39442af4",
  "createdAt": 1409577753,
  "text": "Plenty of parking",
  "type": "user",
  "canonicalUrl": "https://foursquare.com/item/54047319498e008a39442af4",
  "logView": true,
  "agreeCount": 0,
  "disagreeCount": 0,
  "todo": {
    "count": 0
  },
  "user": {
    "id": "2463172",
    "firstName": "Tony",
    "lastName": "Costeloe",
    "gender": "male",
    "photo": {
      "prefix": "https://irs1.4sqi",
      "suffix": "/BASRNTVX0GB5QHTN"
    }
  }
},
],
"referralId": "e-0-53d6768f498efde7e4ba23da-2
}
```

Api Programming

npm install request

- Node Module simplifying interacting with HTTP in JavaScript



The screenshot shows the GitHub page for the 'request' npm module. The page title is 'Request - Simplified HTTP client'. It features an 'npm' logo with a red border, showing statistics: 21 dependencies, version 2.74.0, 15,904 dependents updated 2 months ago, 17,383,258 downloads in the last month, and a download rank of 23rd of 324,000 packages. Below the logo are buttons for 'build' (passing), 'coverage' (91%), 'dependencies' (up-to-date), 'vulnerabilities' (0), 'gitter', and 'join chat'. A section titled 'Super simple to use' contains sample code for making an HTTP request to Google's homepage. The code is as follows:

```
var request = require('request');
request('http://www.google.com', function (error, response, body) {
  if (!error && response.statusCode == 200) {
    console.log(body) // Show the HTML for the Google homepage.
  }
})
```

Below the code is a 'Table of contents' section with links to various features:

- Streaming
- Forms
- HTTP Authentication
- Custom HTTP Headers
- OAuth Signing
- Proxies
- Unix Domain Sockets
- TLS/SSL Protocol
- Support for HAR 1.2
- All Available Options

Node Api Request

```
const request = require('request');
const fsConfig = require('./fs-config');

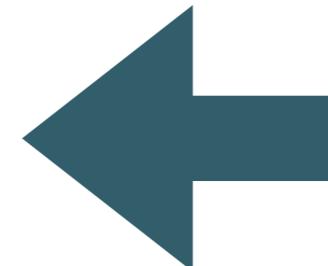
var fsCredentials = '&client_id=' + fsConfig.client_id + '&client_secret='
                    + fsConfig.client_secret + '&v=20140601';

function loadVenues(locationName, venueKeyword) {

  var requestOptions = {
    url: fsConfig.base_url + 'near=' + locationName + '&query=' + venueKeyword + fsCredentials,
    method: 'GET',
    json: {},
  };

  request(requestOptions, (err, response, body) => {
    const venues = body.response.groups[0].items;
    console.log(venues);
  });
}

var locationName = 'Waterford, IE';
loadVenues(locationName, '');
```



Callback invoked
when response
received

ES6 Arrow Functions

- An arrow function expression has a shorter syntax compared to function expressions.
- Arrow functions are always anonymous.

```
request(requestOptions, (err, response, body) => {  
  const venues = body.response.groups[0].items;  
  console.log(venues);  
});
```

arrow function expression

```
request(requestOptions, function (err, response, body) {  
  const venues = body.response.groups[0].items;  
  console.log(venues);  
});
```

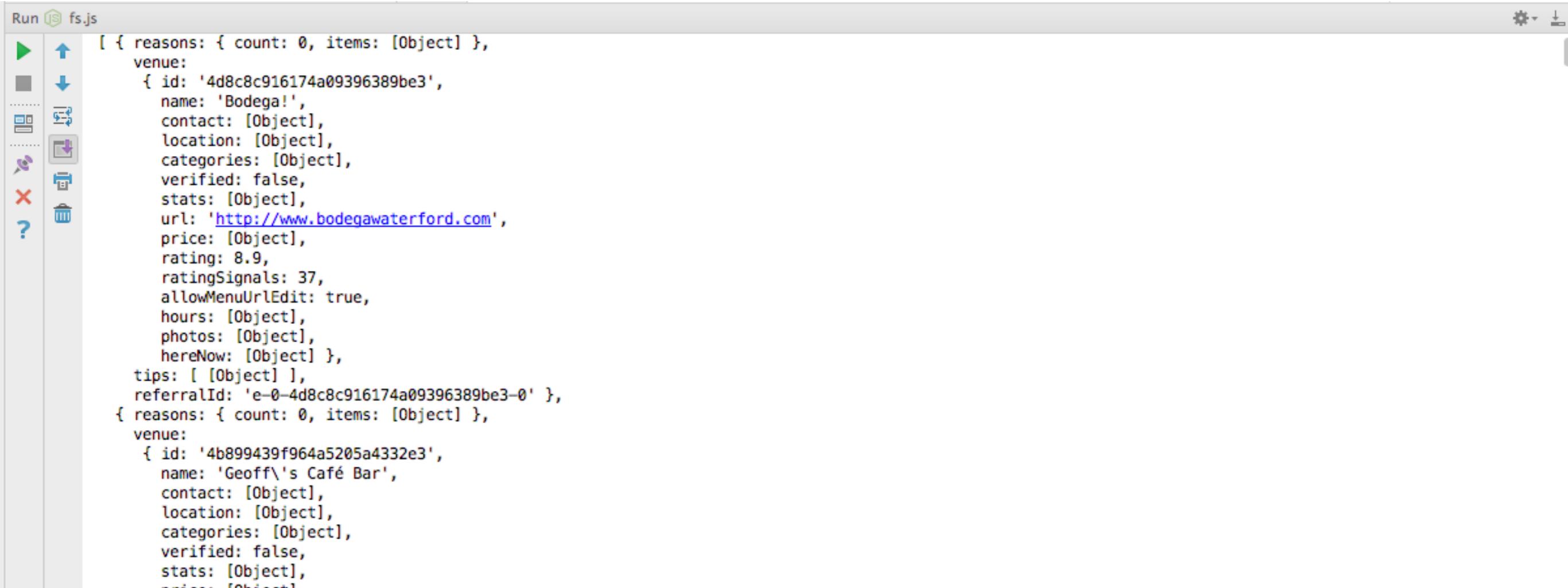
function expression

```
request(requestOptions, (err, response, body) => {

  const venues = body.response.groups[0].items;
  console.log(venues);

});
```

Run  fs.js



```
[ { reasons: { count: 0, items: [Object] },
  venue:
  { id: '4d8c8c916174a09396389be3',
    name: 'Bodega!',
    contact: [Object],
    location: [Object],
    categories: [Object],
    verified: false,
    stats: [Object],
    url: 'http://www.bodegawaterford.com',
    price: [Object],
    rating: 8.9,
    ratingSignals: 37,
    allowMenuUrlEdit: true,
    hours: [Object],
    photos: [Object],
    hereNow: [Object] },
  tips: [ [Object] ],
  referralId: 'e-0-4d8c8c916174a09396389be3-0' },
 { reasons: { count: 0, items: [Object] },
  venue:
  { id: '4b899439f964a5205a4332e3',
    name: 'Geoff\'s Café Bar',
    contact: [Object],
    location: [Object],
    categories: [Object],
    verified: false,
    stats: [Object],
    price: [Object] } }
```

```
request(requestOptions, (err, response, body) => {  
  
  const venues = body.response.groups[0].items;  
  console.log(venues);  
  
});
```



Declare local array
Loop through venues
create 'checkin' object
store in array
print array

```
request(requestOptions, (err, response, body) => {  
  
  const venues = body.response.groups[0].items;  
  const checkins = [];  
  
  for (let venue of venues) {  
    const checkin = {  
      name: venue.venue.name,  
      checkins: venue.venue.stats.checkinsCount,  
      users: venue.venue.stats.usersCount,  
    };  
    checkins.push(checkin);  
  }  
  
  console.log(checkins);  
});
```

```
request(requestOptions, (err, response, body) => {

  const venues = body.response.groups[0].items;
  const checkins = [];

  for (let venue of venues) {
    const checkin = {
      name: venue.venue.name,
      checkins: venue.venue.stats.checkinsCount,
      users: venue.venue.stats.usersCount,
    };
    checkins.push(checkin);
  }

  console.log(checkins);
});
```

```
[ { name: 'Bodega!', checkins: 181, users: 141 },
  { name: 'Geoff\'s Café Bar', checkins: 808, users: 286 },
  { name: 'Emilianos', checkins: 71, users: 57 },
  { name: 'House of Waterford Crystal', checkins: 941, users: 737 },
  { name: 'Carter\'s Chocolate Cafe', checkins: 159, users: 55 },
  { name: 'Ardkeen Quality Food Store', checkins: 585, users: 106 },
  { name: 'The Gingerman', checkins: 166, users: 129 },
  { name: 'Tower Hotel & Leisure Centre',
    checkins: 787,
    users: 248 },
  { name: 'McLeary\'s', checkins: 61, users: 50 },
  { name: 'Jack Meades', checkins: 96, users: 74 },
  { name: 'Faithlegg House Hotel', checkins: 149, users: 101 },
  { name: 'Café Goa', checkins: 178, users: 57 },
  { name: 'The Reg', checkins: 288, users: 136 },
  { name: 'Theatre Royal', checkins: 217, users: 81 },
  { name: 'The Book Centre', checkins: 332, users: 131 },
  { name: 'The Munster Bar', checkins: 179, users: 127 },
  { name: 'La Bohème', checkins: 35, users: 32 },
  { name: 'Medieval Museum', checkins: 135, users: 112 },
  { name: 'Waterford Castle Hotel & Golf Resort',
    checkins: 335,
    users: 219 },
  { name: 'No.9 Café', checkins: 83, users: 39 },
  { name: 'Reginald\'s Tower', checkins: 444, users: 181 },
  { name: 'Costa Coffee', checkins: 123, users: 44 },
  { name: 'Athenaeum House Hotel', checkins: 395, users: 55 },
  { name: 'Bishop\'s Palace', checkins: 162, users: 116 },
  { name: 'The Donal Lio's Park', checkins: 400, users: 127 } ]
```