

AWS Secrets Manager

1 Login to AWS Console

- Go to <https://aws.amazon.com/console/> and sign in.

2 Open AWS Secrets Manager

- In the AWS Console search bar, type **Secrets Manager** and open it.

3 Click “Store a New Secret”

4 Choose Secret Type

- Select the type of secret you want to store:
 - **Credentials for RDS database.**
 - **Other type of secrets** (API keys, passwords, tokens, etc.).

5 Enter Secret Values

- Provide key-value pairs:
 - Example:
 - ♣ Key: username, Value: admin
 - ♣ Key: password, Value: mypassword123

6 Select Encryption Key (Optional)

- AWS Secrets Manager encrypts secrets automatically using **AWS KMS**.
- By default, it uses the **AWS-managed KMS key**.

- You can choose your own **customer-managed key (CMK)** if you want more control.

7 Name and Description

- Provide:
 - **Secret Name** (e.g., prod/db/credentials).
 - **Optional description**.

8 Configure Rotation (Optional)

- Optionally enable **automatic rotation** using an AWS Lambda function.
- Choose the rotation interval (e.g., 30 days).
- You can use an AWS-provided Lambda rotation function template.

9 Review and Store Secret

- Review the secret configuration.
- Click **Store**.

10 Use the Secret

- Secrets can now be accessed using:
 - **AWS SDKs**.
 - **AWS CLI**.
 - **Integrated AWS services** (like Lambda, RDS).
 - IAM policies control who can access or manage the secret.

