

# MapLibre Configuration

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This guide will explain various ways to create a map.

When working with maps, you likely want to configure the **MapView**.

There are several ways to build a **MapView**:

1. Using existing XML namespace tags for **MapView** in the layout.
2. Creating **MapLibreMapOptions** and passing builder function values into the **MapView**.
3. Creating a **SupportMapFragment** with the help of **MapLibreMapOptions**.

Before diving into **MapView** configurations, let's understand the capabilities of both XML namespaces and **MapLibreMapOptions**.

Here are some common configurations you can set:

- Map base URI
- Camera settings
- Zoom level
- Pitch
- Gestures
- Compass
- Logo
- Attribution
- Placement of the above elements on the map and more

We will explore how to achieve these configurations in XML layout and programmatically in Activity code, step by step.

## **MapView** Configuration with an XML layout

To configure **MapView** within an XML layout, you need to use the right namespace and provide the necessary data in the layout file.

```
{{#include
../../../../platform/android/MapLibreAndroidTestApp/src/main/res/layout/
activity_map_options_xml.xml}}
```

This can be found in **activity\_map\_options\_xml.xml**.

You can assign any other existing values to the **maplibre...** tags. Then, you only need to create **MapView** and **MapLibreMap** objects with a simple setup in the Activity.

```
{{#include
../../../../platform/android/MapLibreAndroidTestApp/src/main/java/org/ma
```

```
plibre/android/testapp/activity/options/MapOptionsXmlActivity.kt}}
```

This can be found in `MapOptionsXmlActivity.kt`.

## MapView configuration with MapLibreMapOptions

Here we don't have to create MapView from XML since we want to create it programmatically.

```
{{#include  
../../../../platform/android/MapLibreAndroidTestApp/src/main/res/layout/  
activity_map_options_xml.xml}}
```

This can be found in `activity_map_options_runtime.xml`.

A `MapLibreMapOptions` object must be created and passed to the MapView constructor. All setup is done in the Activity code:

```
{{#include  
../../../../platform/android/MapLibreAndroidTestApp/src/main/java/org/ma  
plibre/android/testapp/activity/options/MapOptionsRuntimeActivity.kt}}
```

This can be found in `MapOptionsRuntimeActivity.kt`.

Finally you will see a result similar to this:





For the full contents of `MapOptionsRuntimeActivity` and `MapOptionsXmlActivity`, please take a look at the source code of [MapLibreAndroidTestApp](#).

You can read more about `MapLibreMapOptions` in the [Android API documentation](#).

`SupportMapFragment` with the help of `MapLibreMapOptions`.

If you are using MapFragment in your project, it is also easy to provide initial values to the `newInstance()` static method of `SupportMapFragment`, which requires a `MapLibreMapOptions` parameter.

Let's see how this can be done in a sample activity:

```
{{#include
../../../../../platform/android/MapLibreAndroidTestApp/src/main/java/org/ma
plibre/android/testapp/activity/fragment/SupportMapFragmentActivity.kt}}
```

You can also find the full contents of `SupportMapFragmentActivity` in the [MapLibreAndroidTestApp](#).

To learn more about `SupportMapFragment`, please visit the [Android API documentation](#).