

# Introduction to Pika

Pika is a pure-Python implementation of the AMQP 0-9-1 protocol that tries to stay fairly independent of the underlying network support library.

If you have not developed with Pika or RabbitMQ before, the [Introduction to Pika](#) documentation is a good place to get started.

## Installing Pika

Pika is available for download via PyPI and may be installed using `easy_install` or `pip`:

```
pip install pika
```

or:

```
easy_install pika
```

To install from source, run “`python setup.py install`” in the root source directory.

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