Dokku - Add domain after setup

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I installed Dokku on my Digital Ocean droplet, but did it before setting my dns records, so Dokku was installed on IP. Now I changed my dns record, so site can be accessed through `site.com` . I can access my previously created Dokku containers through `site.com:port` , how can I change Dokku settings to access my app like this - `appname.site.com`

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2 Try to explore this file: `/home/dokku/VHOST` . – illagrenan Feb 26 '14 at 9:28

2 Sure could use a way to reset the initial Dokku configuration to gain access to the setup GUI. Since I left domain configuration IP based, there is no VHOST file and I have no idea what it is supposed to

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your server. For instance, if you want an app name like `app.dokku.me`, your file would contain `dokku.me`. – Jose Diaz-Gonzalez Jan 28 '16 at 19:59

4 Answers

Per https://github.com/progrium/dokku:

> Set up a domain and a wildcard domain pointing to that host. Make sure /home/dokku/VHOST is set to this domain. By default it's set to whatever hostname the host has. This file is only created if the hostname can be resolved by dig (dig +short $(hostname -f)). Otherwise you have to create the file manually and set it to your preferred domain. If this file still is not present when you push your app, dokku will publish the app with a port number (i.e. http://example.com:49154 - note the missing subdomain).

To fix the issue, you will first need to update the /home/dokku/VHOST file, adding the domain name -- this will fix any

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(/home/dokku/foo, /home/dokku/bar, etc.) and redeployed for this change to take effect, since each Dokku application has a separate nginx.conf within those /home/dokku/ paths and those will need to be re-written.

swered Mar 11 '14 at 6:19

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Works like a charm. Thank you! – eagor Nov 7 '14 at 15:13

1 Just a note for anyone else, you may need to re-link containers (for instance if you are using a db plugin) if you delete and then add an app.Editing the /home/dokku/foo/nginx.conf properly would save that step – TheBigC Dec 16 '14 at 3:23

Deleting the apps may be overkill, try `dokku ps:restart <app>` or `dokku ps:rebuild <app>` first. – Epigene Jan 8 '16 at 9:44

To extend @shirkey answer: you don't need to re-create (destroy and create again) an app in order to apply those changes. You can manually create VHOST file inside

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`NO_VHOST`) and change `DOKKU_NGINX_PORT` to 80 (`dokku config:set $app DOKKU_NGINX_PORT=80`) and restart the app (`dokku ps:restart $app`).

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$ echo "example.com" > /home/dokku/VHOST

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It is indeed not necessary to destroy and recreate apps. First, `dokku domains:report` tells you if global VHOSTS are already enabled or not. If not, run

```
dokku domains:add-global
echo yourdomain.tld | suc
dokku domains:add myapp r
dokku domains:enable myap
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The first of these adds yourdomain.tld to /home/dokku/HOSTNAME. It should also add it to /home/dokku/VHOST, but it doesn't. So that needs to be done manually. Then tell dokku what (sub)domain you want to access

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