Migrate WordPress Guide

Dependencies

This guide assumes you have Apache, MySQL, PHP and PHPMyAdmin installed on a Digital Ocean live server. You should also have a backed up copy of WordPress including the database.

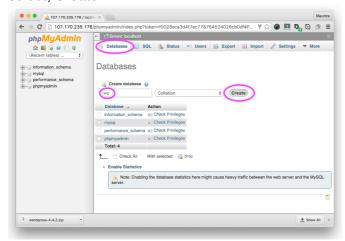
Installation

Create a new database.

- 1. Navigate to PHPMyAdmin in the browser: http://1.1.1.1.1/phpmyadmin (where 1.1.1.1.1 is replaced with your given IP address).
- 2. When prompted for a login fill in your username and password:

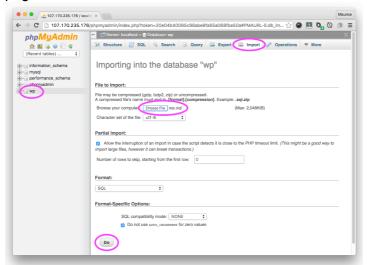
username: root password:

- 3. In the top menu select; Databases.
- 4. In the field beneath; Create database, type a name for your database e.g. 'wp' and select; Create.



- 5. In the left column you see that your 'wp' database has been created.
- 6. In the top menu select; Import.
- 7. Beneath; File to Import... Browse your computer. Select; Choose File.

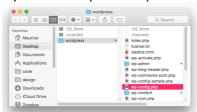
8. Locate your previously exported 'wp.sql' file, open and select; Go to the bottom of the page.



9. You should see a green tick stating your import has been successful.

Configure WordPress to connect to the live server database.

1. Open: desktop > wordpress > config.php.



2. Change; DB_NAME, DB_USER, DB_PASSWORD and DB_HOST, to match your database on the live server.

DB_NAME: wp DB_USER: root DB_PASSWORD: DB_HOST: (blank)

Upload WordPress files to the live server.

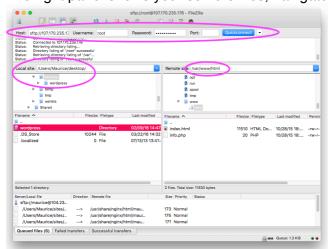
- 1. Open FileZilla.
- 2. In the top field fill out; Host, Username and Password and select; Quickconnect.

Host: sftp://1.1.1.1.1 (where 1.1.1.1.1 is replaced with your given IP address).

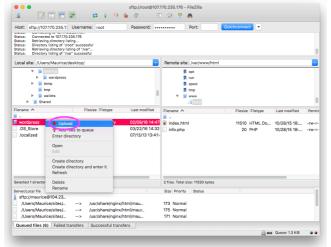
Username: root

Password:

- 3. The left panel shows your computers files, navigate to the desktop through that panel where your backed up WordPress directory should be.
- 4. The right panel shows your servers files, navigate to: var/www/html.



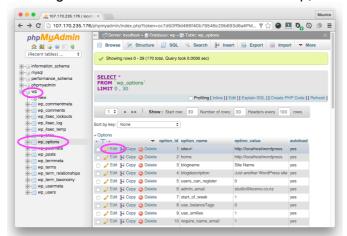
5. In the left panel right click on the wordpress folder and select; upload.



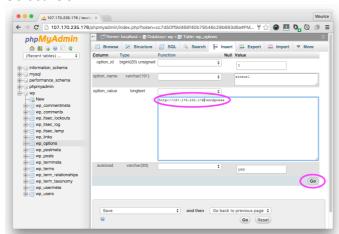
- 6. When the upload is complete visit; http://1.1.1.1.1/wordpress (where 1.1.1.1.1 is replaced with your given IP address).
- 7. You should see your landing page.

Configure the new URL for WordPress

- 1. Navigate to PHPMyAdmin in the browser: http://1.1.1.1.1/phpmyadmin (where 1.1.1.1.1 is replaced with your given IP address).
- 2. When prompted for a login fill in your username and password: username:
 - root password:
- 3. In the left column select; wp (your WordPress database).
- 4. In the left column select; wp_options.
- 5. In the right column in the table towards the top, for 'siteurl', select: Edit.



- 6. In the URL replace; localhost with your server IP address.
- 7. Select: Go.



- 8. In the right column in the table towards the top for 'home', select: Edit.
- 9. In the URL replace. localhost with your server IP address.
- 10. Select: Go.

Set up Mod Rewrite on Digital Ocean

The Digital Ocean servers are not set up to allow Mod_Rewrite, therefore our current permalink structure: post name, won't work. The Apache server needs to be configured to allow Mod_Rewrite.

- 1. Open Terminal App (Applications > Terminal).
- 2. Type the following command (where 1.1.1.1.1 is replaced with your given IP address): ssh root@1.1.1.1.1
- 3. Type your password when prompted.
- 4. Once logged in type: sudo a2enmod rewrite
- 5. Then to restart Apache type: sudo service apache2 restart
- 6. Type: sudo nano /etc/apache2/apache2.conf
- Find:

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<Directory /var/www/>
Options Indexes FollowSymLinks
AllowOverride None
Require all granted
</Directory>
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8. Change to:

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<Directory /var/www/>
Options Indexes FollowSymLinks
AllowOverride All
Require all granted
</Directory>
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- 9. To save: Ctrl + X
- 10. To commit type: Y
- 11. Then to restart Apache type: sudo service apache2 restart
- 12. Visit http://1.1.1.1/wordpress (where 1.1.1.1.1 is replaced with your given IP address) and test the site links.

Set up sendmail on Digital Ocean for Contact Form 7 plugin

- 1. Open Terminal App (Applications > Terminal).
- 2. Type the following command (where 1.1.1.1.1 is replaced with your given IP address): ssh root@1.1.1.1.1
- 3. Type your password when prompted.
- 4. Type: apt-get install sendmail
- 5. When prompted type: y
- 6. Type: sudo service apache2 restart

Set up mod_headers and mod_expires (for browser caching)

- 1. Open Terminal App (Applications > Terminal).
- 2. Type the following command (where 1.1.1.1.1 is replaced with your given IP address): ssh root@1.1.1.1.1
- 3. Type your password when prompted.
- 4. Type: sudo a2enmod headers
- 5. Type: sudo a2enmod expires
- 6. Type: sudo service apache2 restart

Set up write permissions (for uploading media)

- 1. Open Terminal App (Applications > Terminal).
- 2. Type the following command (where 1.1.1.1.1 is replaced with your given IP address): ssh root@1.1.1.1.1
- 3. Type your password when prompted.
- 4. Type: sudo chown -R www-data: www-data /var/www