

Hosting Your Website on AWS with AWS Amplify: A Professional Guide

AWS Amplify is a tool that helps developers build and launch web and mobile apps quickly and easily. It simplifies the process by managing both the front-end and back-end of applications.

Using AWS Amplify

Amplify lets developers set up back-end services, connect apps, and deploy websites. It works with popular frameworks like React, Angular, Vue, and Next.js. Developers can use the Amplify CLI to add features like authentication, storage, APIs, and hosting. It also offers pre-built UI components for easy integration.

Key AWS Services

Several AWS services support Amplify:

- AWS AppSync: Handles GraphQL APIs and provides real-time data sync.
- AWS Lambda: Runs serverless functions when needed.
- AWS DynamoDB: Offers NoSQL database storage.
- AWS S3: Provides storage for files and media.
- AWS CloudFormation: Sets up AWS resources automatically.
- Amazon Cognito: Manages user authentication and access.

Free Tier Usage

AWS Amplify's free tier includes:

- Hosting: 5 GB storage and 1 GB data transfer per month.
- Builds: 1000 build minutes per month.
- API Requests: Up to 1 million AppSync requests per month.
- Storage: 5 GB in S3.
- Authentication: 50,000 active users with Cognito.

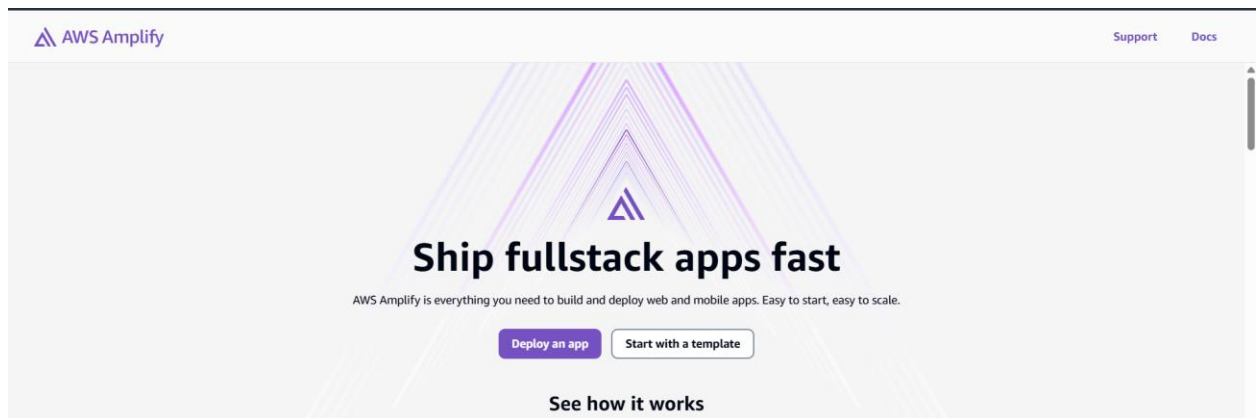
This is great for small projects and testing before scaling up.

Practical Usage

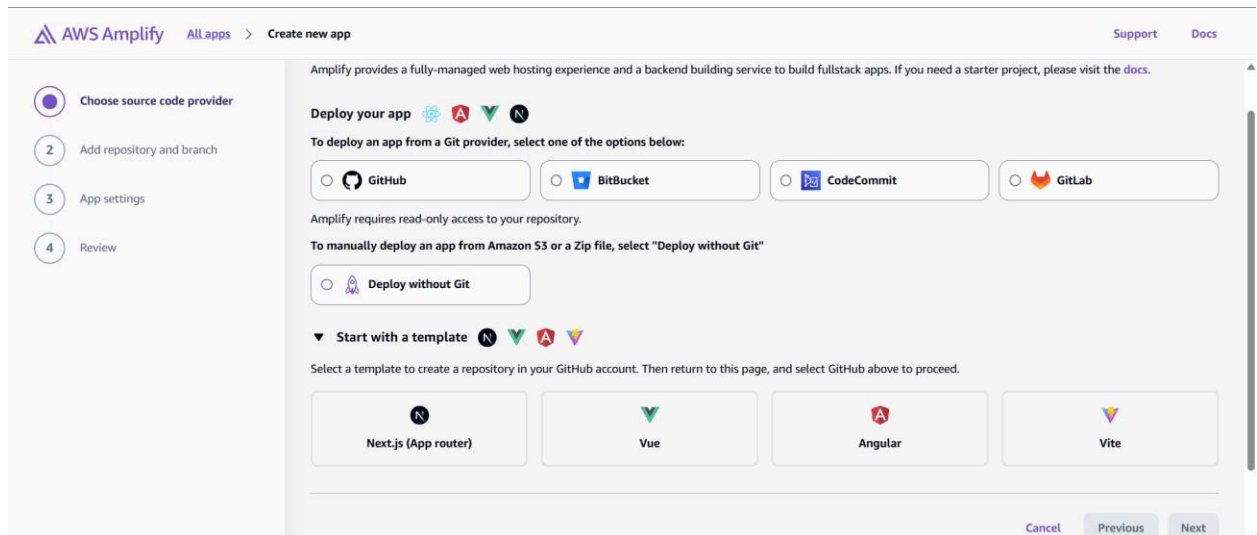
AWS Amplify is perfect for simplifying the development process and integrating various AWS services. It makes adding features like authentication and data storage easy. The free tier allows developers to experiment and launch apps at minimal cost.

Hosting Resume on AWS Amplify

⇒ Launch AWS Amplify from AWS console and then click on Deploy an app



⇒ Choose your preferred option which can be Git, S3 buckets or a file/folders from your local computer.



For now I am choosing to deploy this app from my local computer, I need to upload the content in a zip format.

Choose create method

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Start a manual deployment

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Method

Drag and drop

Amazon S3

Any URL

Drag and drop your app's build output directory as a zip folder here.

Choose .zip folder

Zip the contents of your build output, not the top level folder

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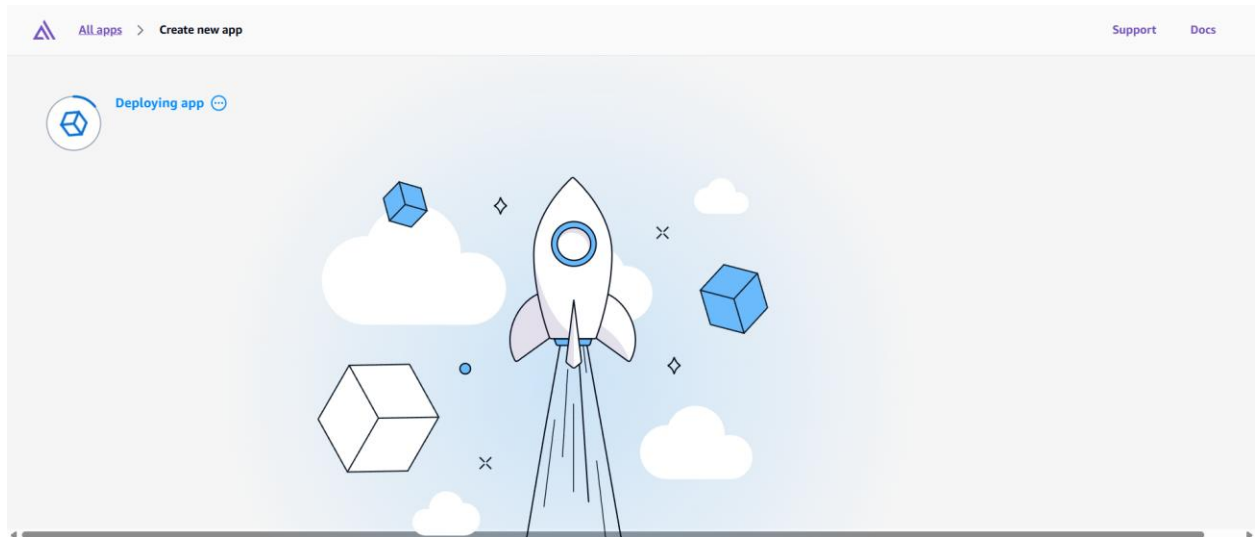
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Save and deploy

Then click on Save and Deploy.



⇒ The app is deployed now in Staging Environment

The screenshot displays the AWS Amplify console interface for an application named 'app2974'. The left sidebar shows navigation options: Overview, Hosting, and App settings. The main content area, titled 'Get to production', outlines a three-step process: 1. Add a custom domain, 2. Enable firewall protections, and 3. Connect new branches. Below this, a 'Branches' section shows a single branch named 'staging' which is 'Deployed' with a green checkmark. It provides the domain 'https://staging.d32q2ih2qclh7t.amplifyapp.com' and indicates the last deployment was '0 minutes ago'. A 'Deploy updates' button and a 'Production branch' star icon are also visible.

Below the console, a browser window shows the staging website at 'staging.d32q2ih2qclh7t.amplifyapp.com'. The website has a dark blue background and features the name 'Prashant Khatri' in large white text, followed by the title 'Senior Technical Support Engineer'. A bio states: 'Experienced in Active Directory, Windows Server, and enterprise IT infrastructure management. Passionate about delivering efficient technical solutions and exceptional support.' At the bottom, there are three buttons: 'Get in Touch', 'View Experience', and 'View Cloud CV', along with social media icons for LinkedIn, GitHub, Email, and Phone.

⇒ Let's configure this for production, we need to create a branch within this application and then reupload this zip file

app2974 Overview

app2974

App ID: d32q2lh2qc1h7t

Visit deployed URL

Get to production

0 of 3 steps complete

- 1 Add a custom domain
Use your own custom domain with free HTTPS to provide a secure, friendly URL for your app.
Add custom domain
- 2 Enable firewall protections
Web traffic restrictions for Amplify Hosting are offered by AWS Web Application Firewall (WAF).
Enable firewall
- 3 Connect new branches
Connect another branch from your Git repository to set up multiple environments.
Connect a new branch

Branches 1

staging Deployed

Domain: https://fetanion-d32q2lh2qc1h7t-amplifyapp.com

Last deployment: 4 minutes ago

Deploy updates

Production branch

app2974 App settings: Branch settings

Branch settings

Branches

Branch	URL Prefix	Skew protection info
staging	staging	Disabled

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app2974 Add branch

Choose create method

Start a manual deployment

Add branch

Manually upload objects to deploy your app. You can choose to drag and drop the artifacts directly, pull a zip from an existing S3 bucket or any other URL.

App name: app2974

Branch name: staging

Method

Drag and drop

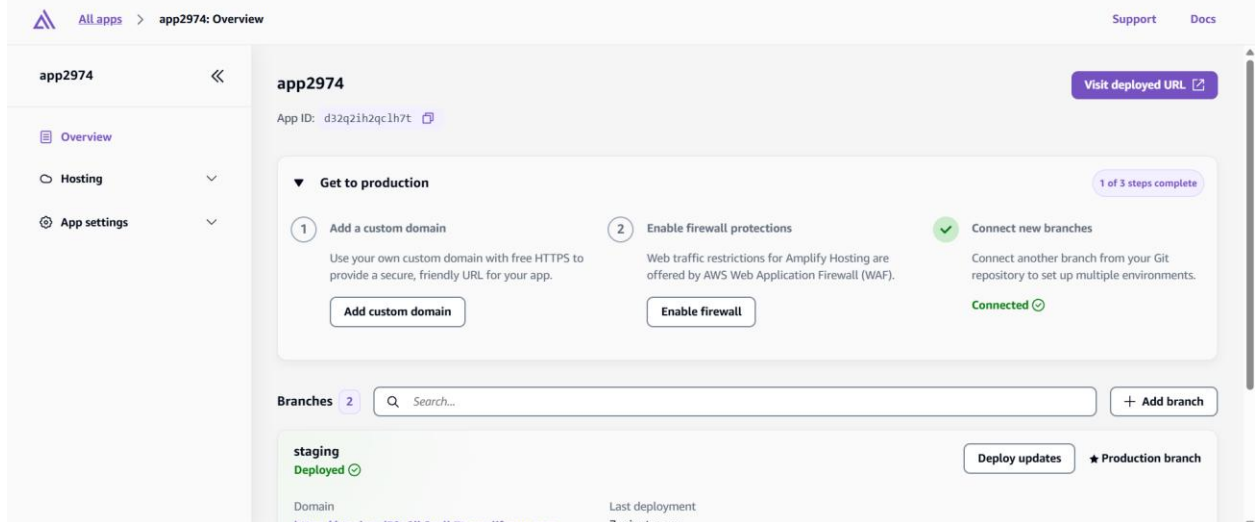
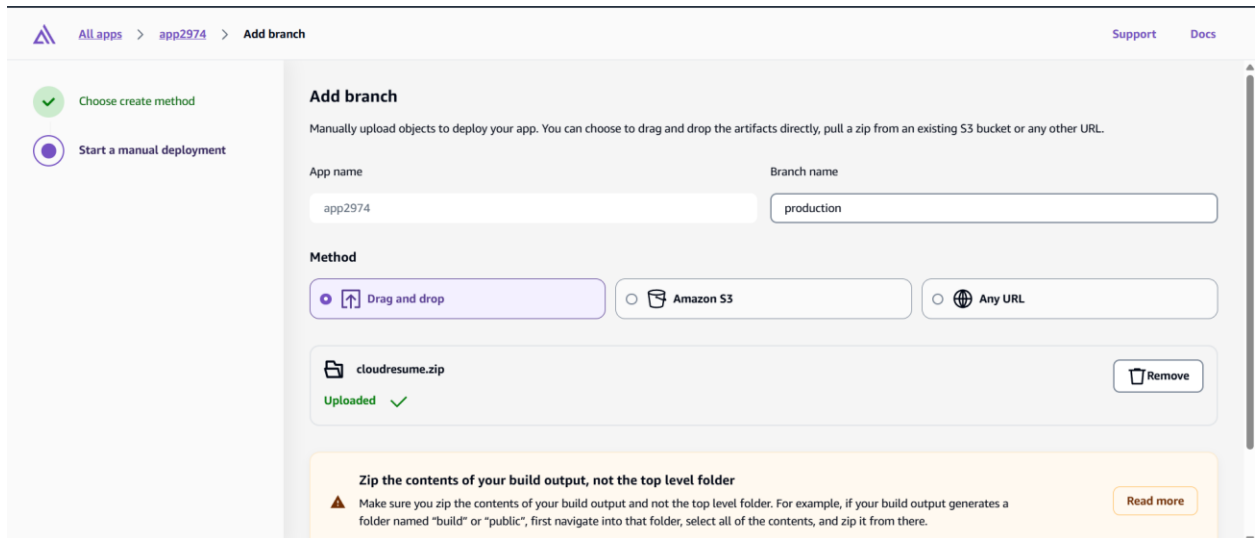
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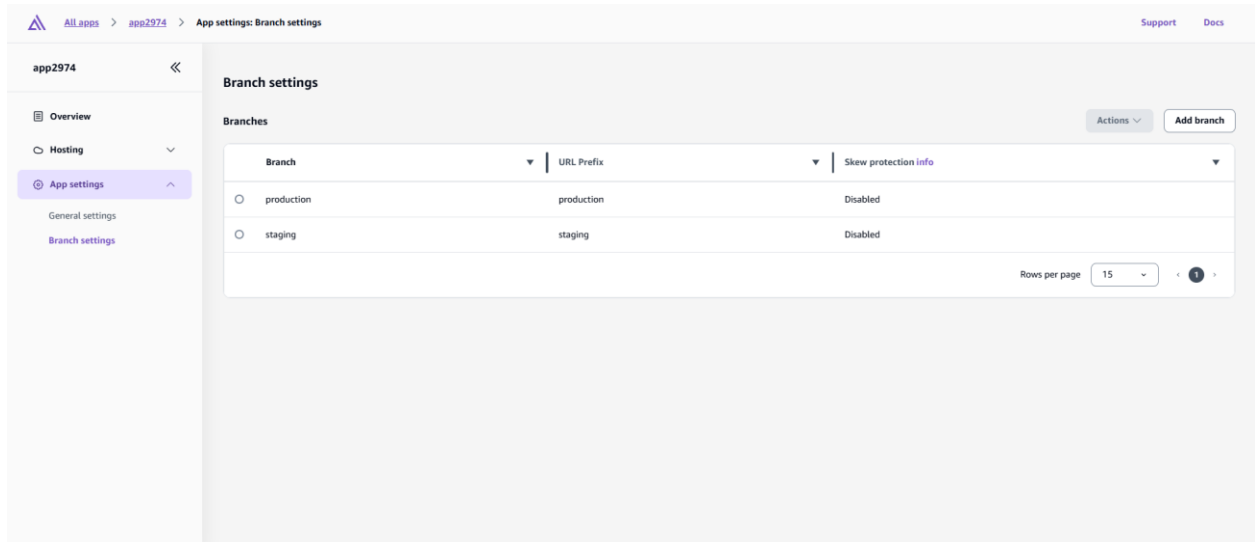
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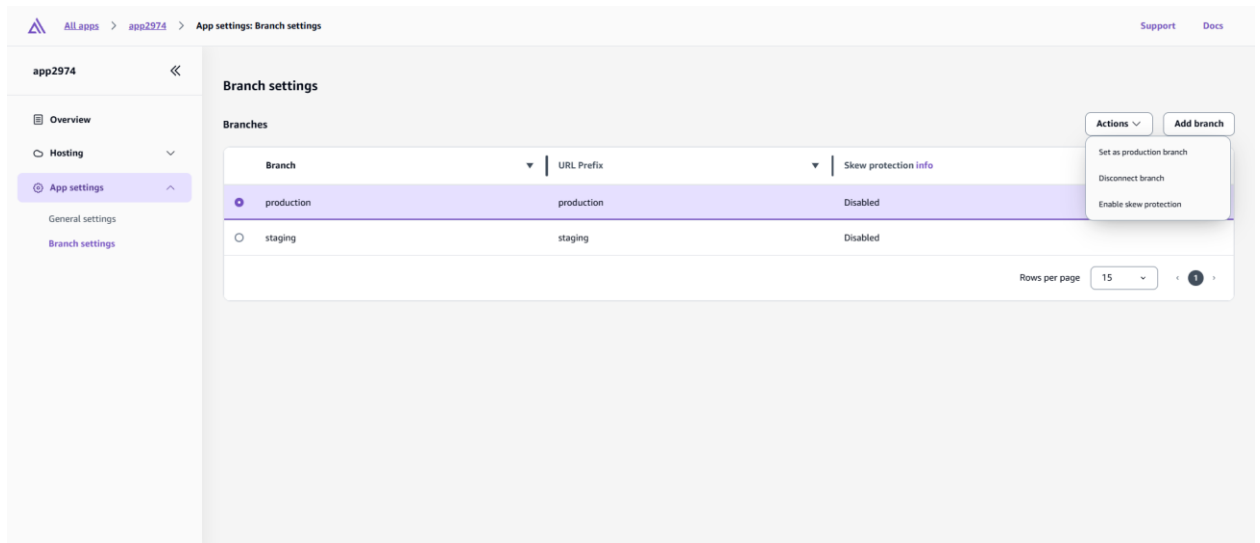
Change the name from Staging to Production and then click on Save and Deploy

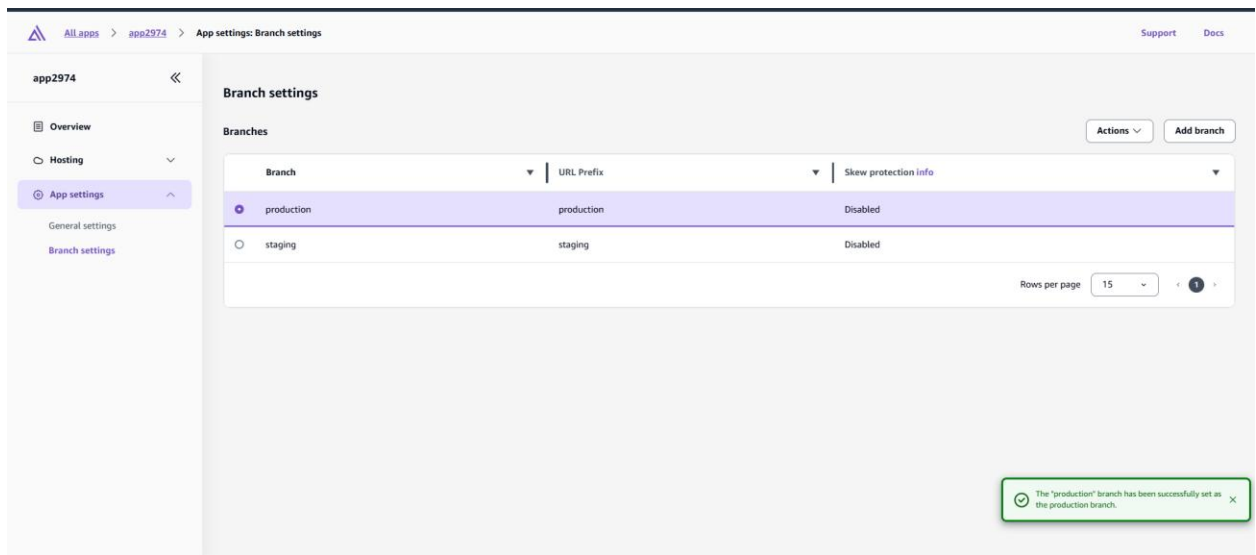


⇒ Now let's set the newly created production branch as the default branch, Click on App Settings, then click on Branch Settings



Select the production branch then click on Actions and then click on “Set as production branch”





⇒ Now under AWS Amplify, check under the branches and the production branch that was created is acting as the production branch and the URL for this branch will be default for our AWS Amplify application

