Setting up Oracle 19c in Docker can be done using Oracle's official Docker build scripts, but due to Oracle's licensing, Oracle does not publish official Docker images on Docker Hub. Instead, you must manually download the Oracle 19c installation files and build the image locally.

Here's a full guide with a Dockerfile to set up Oracle Database 19c Enterprise Edition using Oracle's official scripts.



- 1. **Download the Oracle 19c installation file** manually from:
  - https://www.oracle.com/database/technologies/oracle19c-linux-downloads.html
    - File needed (for Linux x86\_64): LINUX.X64 193000 db home.zip
- 2. **Install Docker** on your system.



## 🔒 Why This Is Required

Oracle does **not allow direct Docker pulls** of its database images due to licensing restrictions. This process ensures you **accept the license** before using the software.



## **⋘** Step-by-step Setup

• Clone Oracle's Docker GitHub repo

git clone https://github.com/oracle/docker-images.git cd docker-images/OracleDatabase/SingleInstance/dockerfiles

• Place the ZIP file in the 19.3.0 directory

```
mv ~/Downloads/LINUX.X64_193000_db_home.zip 19.3.0/
```

- Build the image
  - ./buildContainerImage.sh -v 19.3.0 -s
    - -v: version
    - s: software-only (optional, for INSTALL\_DB\_SWONLY)
- Use the image locally

Once built, Docker will tag it as: oracle/database:19.3.0-se2

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Building image 'oracle/database:19.3.0-se2' ...
[+] Building 187.5s (16/16) FINISHED
=> WARN: FromAsCasing: 'as' and 'FROM' keywords' casing do not match (line 25)
 Oracle Database container image for 'se2' version 19.3.0 is ready to be extended:
   --> oracle/database:19.3.0-se2
 Build completed in 188 seconds.
```

You can now use that in your Dockerfiles:

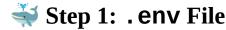
FROM oracle/database:19.3.0-se2



## Use the created docker image

Great! You can fully integrate this into the Dockerfile by using a . env file in combination with a docker-compose.yml file—because a Dockerfile alone can't run docker run or define container runtime configuration like ports and environment variables.

Here's how to achieve your goal **step by step**:



Create a file named . env in the same directory:

# .env ORACLE\_SID=ORCLCDB ORACLE\_PDB=tordb1 ORACLE\_PWD=pwdtrainer ORACLE\_CHARACTERSET=AL32UTF8

## 🐳 Step 2: Create init-user.sql

- -- init-user.sql
- -- Creates user and grants privileges on first run ALTER SESSION SET "\_ORACLE\_SCRIPT"=true;

CREATE USER zeus IDENTIFIED BY pwdtrainer; GRANT CONNECT, RESOURCE, DBA TO zeus;

## Step 3: Dockerfile (already correct)

Your Dockerfile should already include the following to copy your init SQL:

```
# Base image from Oracle
FROM oracle/database:19.3.0-se2
# Switch to root to fix permissions
USER root
# Ensure required directories exist with correct permissions
RUN mkdir -p /opt/oracle/product/19c/dbhome_1/network/log && \
    mkdir -p /opt/oracle/oradata && \
    mkdir -p /opt/oracle/cfgtoollogs && \
    chown -R oracle:oinstall /opt/oracle && \
    chmod -R 777 /opt/oracle
# Copy the startup SQL script to create user and grant privileges
COPY init-user.sql /opt/oracle/scripts/startup/
# Set correct permissions for startup script
RUN chown oracle:oinstall /opt/oracle/scripts/startup/init-user.sql && \
    chmod 775 /opt/oracle/scripts/startup/init-user.sql
# Expose ports for Oracle DB and EM Express
EXPOSE 1521 5500
# Define mountable volume
VOLUME ["/opt/oracle/oradata"]
# Switch back to oracle user
USER oracle
# Default command (will auto-run DBCA at first startup if DB not initialized)
CMD ["/bin/bash", "-c", "/opt/oracle/runOracle.sh"]
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## 🐳 Step 4: docker-compose.yml

version: '3.8' services: oracle-db: build: context: . dockerfile: Dockerfile container\_name: tordb1-container ports: - "1521:1521" - "5500:5500" env\_file: - .env environment: ORACLE\_SID: \${ORACLE\_SID} ORACLE\_PDB: \${ORACLE\_PDB} ORACLE\_PWD: \${ORACLE\_PWD} ORACLE\_CHARACTERSET: \${ORACLE\_CHARACTERSET} volumes: - oracle-data:/opt/oracle/oradata volumes:



oracle-data:

## 🐳 Step 5: Run Everything

Now run the following in the same folder as the Dockerfile and .env:

```
# adjust permissions
sudo chown -R 54321:54321 ./oracle-data
sudo chmod -R 775 ./oracle-data
```

#rum the docker image

docker compose up --build -d

# Result

- Your database container (tordb1-container) will be started
- Environment variables will be taken from .env
- The database will include the PDB tordb1
- The user zeus with password pwdtrainer will be created

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