

TP SSL : Alaa Barka

Step one : Install the dependencies :

```
E: The repository 'https://packages.cloud.google.com/apt cloud-sdk InRelease' is not signed.
N: Updating from such a repository can't be done securely, and is therefore disabled by default.
N: See apt-secure(8) manpage for repository creation and user configuration details.
onlymachiavelli@Machiavelli:~$ sudo apt install apache2 openssl -y
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
apache2 is already the newest version (2.4.58-1ubuntu8.8).
openssl is already the newest version (3.0.13-0ubuntu3.6).
openssl set to manually installed.
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 229 not upgraded.
onlymachiavelli@Machiavelli:~$
```

Checking the apache server locally :



Ubuntu

Apache2 Default Page

It works!

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The configuration layout for an Apache2 web server installation on Ubuntu systems is as follows:

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|   |-- *.load
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onlymachiavelli@Machiavelli:~$ sudo systemctl status apache2
● apache2.service - The Apache HTTP Server
   Loaded: loaded (/usr/lib/systemd/system/apache2.service; enabled; pr>
   Active: active (running) since Tue 2026-01-13 17:03:19 CET; 19h ago
     Docs: https://httpd.apache.org/docs/2.4/
   Process: 9364 ExecStart=/usr/sbin/apachectl start (code=exited, statu>
  Main PID: 9367 (apache2)
    Tasks: 7 (limit: 7009)
   Memory: 13.6M ()
    CGroup: /system.slice/apache2.service
           └─9367 /usr/sbin/apache2 -k start
             └─9369 /usr/sbin/apache2 -k start
               └─9370 /usr/sbin/apache2 -k start
                 └─9371 /usr/sbin/apache2 -k start
                   └─9372 /usr/sbin/apache2 -k start
                     └─9373 /usr/sbin/apache2 -k start
                       └─9380 /usr/sbin/apache2 -k start

Jan 13 17:03:19 Machiavelli systemd[1]: Starting apache2.service - The Ap>
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lines 1-19/19 (END)
```

Generating the private key :

```
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onlymachiavelli@Machiavelli:~$
onlymachiavelli@Machiavelli:~$ openssl genrsa -out server.key 2048
onlymachiavelli@Machiavelli:~$
```

Creating self signed certificate SSL

```
onlymachiavelli@machiavelli:~$ openssl req -x509 -new -nodes -key server.key -days 365 -out server.crt
You are about to be asked to enter information that will be incorporated
into your certificate request.
What you are about to enter is what is called a Distinguished Name or a DN
There are quite a few fields but you can leave some blank
For some fields there will be a default value,
if you enter '.', the field will be left blank.
-----
Country Name (2 letter code) [AU]:FR
State or Province Name (full name) [Some-State]:Paris
Locality Name (eg, city) []:Paris
Organization Name (eg, company) [Internet Widgits Pty Ltd]:AstroOrg
Organizational Unit Name (eg, section) []:Astro
Common Name (e.g. server FQDN or YOUR name) []:Astro
Email Address []:mrjalaabarka@gmail.com
onlymachiavelli@machiavelli:~$
```

Moving the certificates to the system folders :

```
onlymachiavelli@machiavelli:~$ sudo cp server.key /etc/ssl/private/
sudo cp server.crt /etc/ssl/certs/
onlymachiavelli@machiavelli:~$
```

Securing the private Key :

```
onlymachiavelli@machiavelli:~$ sudo chmod 600 /etc/ssl/private/server.key
onlymachiavelli@machiavelli:~$
```

Enable the ssl module in apache

```
onlymachiavelli@machiavelli:~$ sudo systemctl restart apache2
onlymachiavelli@machiavelli:~$ sudo ss -tlnp | grep 443
LISTEN 0      511          *:443        *:~      users:(("apache2",pid=11094,fd=6),("apache2",pid=11092,fd=6),("apache2",pid=11091,fd=6),("
apache2",pid=11090,fd=6),("apache2",pid=11089,fd=6),("apache2",pid=11088,fd=6),("apache2",pid=11086,fd=6))
onlymachiavelli@machiavelli:~$ sudo a2enmod ssl
Considering dependency mime for ssl:
Module mime already enabled
Considering dependency socache_shmcb for ssl:
Module socache_shmcb already enabled
Module ssl already enabled
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Enabling the ssl and restarting the apache server

```
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onlymachiavelli@Machiavelli:~$ sudo a2ensite default-ssl
Enabling site default-ssl.
To activate the new configuration, you need to run:
    systemctl reload apache2
onlymachiavelli@Machiavelli:~$ systemctl reload apache2
Failed to reload apache2.service: Interactive authentication required.
See system logs and 'systemctl status apache2.service' for details.
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Site default-ssl already enabled
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We got the certificate,
But it is not trusted by the browser :



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Lets cook some simple codes

GNU nano 7.2

index.html *

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8" />
  <title>Alaa Barka - Embedded</title>
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">

  <style>
    html, body {
      margin: 0;
      padding: 0;
      width: 100%;
      height: 100%;
      overflow: hidden;
    }

    iframe {
      width: 100%;
      height: 100%;
      border: none;
    }
  </style>
</head>
<body>
  <iframe
    src="https://alaabarka.space/"
    loading="lazy"
    referrerpolicy="no-referrer"
  ></iframe>
</body>
</html>
```

And here's the results : (check the link)

