

# Heroku Parse Install

## Instructions For Installing Parse To Heroku

### Setting Your App Up On Heroku

- Create a Heroku account. You will need a credit card even though this is a free tier account.
- Once you have created an account and can log in then go to this link: [here](#)
- Scroll down until you see a purpose button that says "Deploy To Heroku". CLICK that button!
- Leave everything alone except the **appname**, **appid** and **masterkey**. Fill these in and copy paste somewhere convenient. (Tip: Use your bundle identifier for the appid)
- Add your appname to the url
- e.g. <http://mycoolapp.herokuapp.com/parse>
  - Here my app's name is mycoolapp so this gets added to the url before .herokuapp.com
- Click deploy! Wait until the app shows that it was

successfully deployed.

## Installing Parse SDK & Testing

- You can install the Parse SDK using either Cocoapods, Carthage, or manually. I will just show the Cocoapods install here. Be sure you update the pod spec file using: `pod install --repo-update`
1. create a blank single view application in xCode.
  2. cd into the root directory of the project from terminal.
  3. type `pod init`
  4. open the Podfile. Uncomment `use_frameworks!` for Swift, and uncomment `platform :ios, '10.0'`
  - 5) paste `pod 'Parse'` between `do` and `end` inside the main target statement
  6. save the Podfile and type `pod install` in terminal and let it run.
  7. close your project and open it from the `.xcworkspace` file instead of the normal `.xcodeproj` file.
  8. for Swift you need a bridging header. To create one select the main target's group and right click and select `New file...` . Select `CocoaTouch` and just make it an `Objective-C` file with any super class and name it whatever you want. When you click create you will be prompted to create a `bridging header` . Accept the

prompt. This will create a .h file with the name `YourProjectName-Bridging-Header.h` . Delete the *other* .h and .m files now.

9. add your import into the bridging header `#import <Parse/Parse.h>`
10. follow the quickstart instructions for creating an object [here](#)

```
1 let configuration = ParseClientConfiguration {
2     $0.applicationId = "afdafsdflj888888"
3     $0.clientKey = "myMasterKey"
4     $0.server = "http://myapp8.herokuapp.com/parse"
5 }
6 Parse.initialize(with: configuration)
7 let testObject = PFObject(className: "TestObject")
8 testObject["foo"] = "bar"
9 testObject.saveInBackground { (success: Bool, error: Error?) in
10     if let error = error {
11         print(#line, error)
12     }
13     guard success = true else {
14         print(#line, "object not saved, WTF!")
15         return
16     }
17
18     print("Object has been saved!")
19 }
```

11. Add the key `App Transport Security Settings` to the `info.plist` file (unless you accepted the default url). It should be a dictionary.
12. Add the value `Allow Arbitrary Loads` , which is a Boolean, and make it `YES`
13. Run the app.
14. Check the mongo db by clicking on `mLab MongoDB :: Mongoddb` link in the heroku dashboard

15. The link will probably fail. If it does, just delete the last part of the path starting with `heroku\_...` and you should see your data
16. You can install the Parse dashboard locally/remotely to help you manage your model inside a browser. I will quickly take you through installing this locally.

## Installing Parse Dashboard Locally

15. The instructions for Parse dashboard installation are [here](#).
16. First make sure you have Node.js version `>= 4.3` installed. Go to terminal and type `Node -v` to get the version if any. If it doesn't meet the requirement then install the latest version by going [here](#). Download and install it.
17. With node installed, run `npm install -g parse-dashboard` .
18. To view your app you have to enter the following into terminal, and fill out the places for `yourAppId`, `yourMasterKey`, `https://example.com/parse` with your url and `optionalName` in the following script `parse-dashboard --appId yourAppId --masterKey yourMasterKey --serverURL "https://example.com/parse" --appName optionalName`. Paste the command into an editor and change those values then copy/paste into terminal and run.
19. Now open your browser to `http://localhost:4040`

