

Step-by-step guide to install and set up Next.js on your Ubuntu 22.04 LTS server for a production environment:

- Update your system packages:
 - `sudo apt update && sudo apt upgrade -y`
- Install Node.js and npm:
 - `curl -fsSL https://deb.nodesource.com/setup_18.x | sudo -E bash -`
 - `sudo apt install -y nodejs`
- Verify installation:
 - `node -v`
 - `npm -v`
- Create a default Next.js Application
 - `sudo npm install -g create-next-app`
 - `npx create-next-app my-next-app`
 - `cd my-next-app`
- Build and Run Next.js for Production
 - `npm install`
 - `npm run build`
 - `npm start`

By default, the application runs on port 3000. You can visit it at: `http://your_server_ip:3000`

- Set Up Reverse Proxy with Nginx
 - `sudo apt install nginx -y`
 - `sudo nano /etc/nginx/sites-available/my-next-app`

add following to file save and exit:

```
server {  
    listen 80;  
  
    server_name your_domain.com;  
  
    location / {  
        proxy_pass http://localhost:3000;  
        proxy_http_version 1.1;  
        proxy_set_header Upgrade $http_upgrade;  
        proxy_set_header Connection 'upgrade';  
    }  
}
```

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    proxy_set_header Host $host;

    proxy_cache_bypass $http_upgrade;

}

}
```

- Replace your_domain.com with your domain name or server IP.
- Enable the configuration:
 - `sudo ln -s /etc/nginx/sites-available/my-next-app /etc/nginx/sites-enabled/`
 - `sudo nginx -t`
 - `sudo systemctl restart nginx`
- Set Up Process Manager pm2
 - `sudo npm install -g pm2`
 - `pm2 start npm --name "my-next-app" -- start`
 - `pm2 save`
 - `pm2 startup`
- Secure Your Server with FREE SSL
 - `sudo apt install certbot python3-certbot-nginx -y`
 - `sudo certbot --nginx -d your_domain.com`
 - `sudo certbot renew --dry-run`