

Manifest Contains Start URL

Overview

After your web app has been added to a user's homescreen, the `start_url` property in the Web App Manifest determines what page of your app loads first when the user launches your app from the homescreen.

If the `start_url` property is absent, then the browser defaults to whatever page was active when the user decided to add the app to the homescreen.

Recommendations

Add a `start_url` property in your Web App Manifest.

```
{  
  ...  
  "start_url": ".",  
  ...  
}
```



Check out [Manifest Exists](#) for a list of guides that teach you how to properly implement and test "Add to Homescreen" support in your app.

More information

Lighthouse fetches the manifest and verifies that it has a `start_url` property. The manifest that Lighthouse fetches is separate from the one that Chrome is using on the page, which can possibly cause inaccurate results.

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