## **AWS Services Reference**

Essential Amazon Web Services Overview

Category	Service	What it is	Use Case
Compute	EC2	Virtual server in the cloud	Full control over server setup
	Lambda	Run code without managing servers	Backend triggers / short functions
	ECS	Deploy & manage containers	Run Docker apps at scale
	Lightsail	Simple virtual servers with bundled resources	Easy VPS for quick deployments
Storage	S3	Object storage for files	Images, videos, backups, static assets
	EBS	Block storage for EC2	Attach as virtual hard disk
	Glacier	Cold (archival) storage	Long-term backups
	EFS	Shared file system for Linux instances	Scalable shared storage across EC2
Database	RDS	Managed SQL database	PostgreSQL, MySQL, etc.
	DynamoDB	NoSQL database	High-speed, serverless DB
	ElastiCache	In-memory caching	Speed up app/database queries
	Redshift	Data warehouse	Analytics & reporting over large datasets
Networking	VPC	Isolated virtual network	Set up private cloud environment
	Route 53	DNS and domain service	Link frontend, domains & APIs
	CloudFront	Global CDN	Fast delivery of static content
	API Gateway	Manage REST/HTTP APIs	Secure API endpoints for apps
Security	IAM	Identity & access control	Secure service permissions
	KMS	Key Management for encryption	Encrypt stored data (S3, RDS etc.)
	Cognito	User authentication & login	Add sign-in to apps easily
	Shield	DDoS protection service	Protect against DDoS attacks
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