

Start a New Zend Framework 1 Project

XAMPP makes it easy to start developing with PHP, and [Zend Framework](#) is one of the most popular PHP development frameworks. This guide walks you through the process of initializing a new Zend Framework 1 project with XAMPP.

NOTE

This guide assumes that the new Zend Framework application will be accessible at the URL <http://localhost/myapp/>.

1. Open a new Linux terminal and ensure you are logged in as root.
2. Within your XAMPP installation directory (usually `/opt/lampp`), create a new directory named `apps/` (if it doesn't already exist). Then, within this new `apps/` directory, create a directory to hold your Zend Framework application and its related XAMPP configuration files. In this case, call the directory `myapp/`.

```
cd /opt/lampp
mkdir apps
mkdir apps/myapp
```

3. [Download the latest version of the Zend Framework 1 minimal package](#) as a ZIP or TGZ archive.
4. Extract the contents of the archive to the `myapp\` directory. This will produce a `ZendFramework-[x.y]-minimal.zip\` subdirectory in the `myapp\` directory. Rename this newly-created subdirectory to `htdocs`.

```
cd /opt/lampp/apps/myapp
tar -xzf /tmp/ZendFramework*.tar.gz
mv ZendFramework* htdocs
```

NOTE

This new `htdocs` directory will be the main working directory for your Zend Framework project.

5. Next, within the `myapp/` directory, create a new `conf/` subdirectory.

```
cd /opt/lampp/apps/myapp
mkdir conf
```

- a. Within the new `conf/` subdirectory, use your text editor to create and populate a file named `httpd-prefix.conf` with the following content:

```
Alias /myapp/ "/opt/lampp/apps/myapp/htdocs/public/"
Alias /myapp "/opt/lampp/apps/myapp/htdocs/public"
Include "/opt/lampp/apps/myapp/conf/httpd-app.conf"
```

- b. Within the `conf/` subdirectory, also create and populate a file named `httpd-app.conf` with the following content:

```
<Directory /opt/lampp/apps/myapp/htdocs/public>
Options +FollowSymLinks
AllowOverride All
Require all granted
</Directory>
```

6. Edit the *httpd-xampp.conf* file in the *etc/extra/* subdirectory of your XAMPP installation directory and add the following line at the end to include the *httpd-prefix.conf* created earlier.

```
Include "/opt/lampp/apps/myapp/conf/httpd-prefix.conf"
```

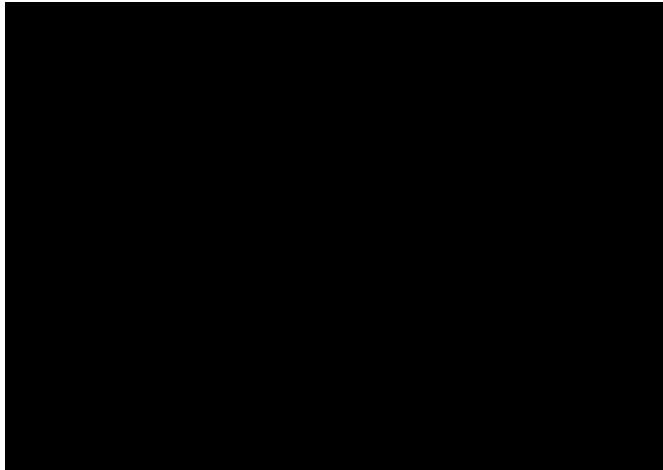
NOTE

Remember to update the above file and directory paths so that they're valid for your system.

7. Change to the *myapp/htdocs/* directory and run the following commands to create a new stub project.

```
/opt/lampp/bin/php bin/zf.php create project .
```

8. Check that you have a directory structure like this:



9. Restart the Apache server using the XAMPP control panel.

You should be able to access the Zend Framework skeleton application by browsing to <http://localhost/myapp>. Here's what the default welcome page looks like:



You can now begin developing your Zend Framework application by modifying the skeleton application code. For more information, [refer to the Zend Framework documentation](#).