Installing on RHEL and CentOS

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When installing Riak on CentOS or Red Hat you can install from source or from our custom .rpm package.



Notes

- CentOS enables SELinux by default and you may need to disable SELinux if you encounter errors.
- Erlang OTP R15B01 and Riak Enterprise 1.2 do not work on CentOS 5.2, but do work on CentOS 5.3 and newer.

Installing From Our Custom .rpm Package

For Centos 5 / RHEL 5

You can either install using yum (recommended),

```
Shell sudo yum install http://yum.basho.com/gpg/basho-release-5-1.sudo yum install riak
```

...or install the rpm package manually.

```
Shell wget http://s3.amazonaws.com/downloads.basho.com/riak/1.4/1.sudo rpm -Uvh riak-1.4.8-1.el5.x86_64.rpm
```

For Centos 6 / RHEL 6

You can either install using yum (recommended),

```
sudo yum install http://yum.basho.com/gpg/basho-release-6-1.noar
sudo yum install riak
```

...or install the rpm package manually.

```
Shell wget http://s3.amazonaws.com/downloads.basho.com/riak/1.4/1.sudo rpm -Uvh riak-1.4.8-1.el6.x86_64.rpm
```

Installing From Source

Riak requires Erlang R15B01. Note: don't use Erlang version R15B02 or R15B03, for the moment, as it causes an error with riak-admin status commands.

If you do not have Erlang already installed, see our guide to Installing Erlang. Don't worry, it's easy!

Building from source will require the following packages:

- gcc
- gcc-c++
- glibc-devel
- make

You can install these with yum:

```
Shell sudo yum install gcc gcc-c++ glibc-devel make git
```

Now we can download and install Riak:

```
Shell

wget http://s3.amazonaws.com/downloads.basho.com/riak/1.4/1.

tar zxvf riak-1.4.8.tar.gz

cd riak-1.4.8

make rel
```

You will now have a fresh build of Riak in the rel/riak directory.

Next Steps?

From here you might want to check out:

- Post Installation: for checking Riak health after installation
- Five Minute Install: a guide that will show you how to go from one node to bigger than Google!

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