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Apache Friends XAMPP

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Description: XAMPP is a very easy to install Apache Distribution for Linux, Solaris, Mac OS X and Windows. The package includes the Apache web server, MySQL, PHP, SQLite, Perl, a FTP-Server and phpMyAdmin.

The new releases contain both new versions of PHP: 5.0.x and 4.3.x. PHP 5 is enabled by default, but in case of problems you're able to switch easily back to PHP 4.

Resource Specifications

Version:	1.5.2
Platform(s):	linux, windows, osx, sun
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Stable - Fine - Works, Dec 11th, 2004

Reviewed By: Sr-ultimate

Compared to all the same level softwares this is very good and stable . No bugs of any kind



An Easy and Excellent Product, Dec 29th, 2004

Reviewed By: humvee

6 Months back I had very little experience of apache, mysql and php and needed an easy way to test PHPNuke systems locally before uploading to my webserver. I tried manual setup of all the various packages necessary and failed miserably, I then tried a host of these all-in-ones that frankly were more complicated than the single elements and was about to give up when I came across this software!! OMG I wish I had found it sooner. With one minor setting change to the config file I had a free running web server installed locally. None of my system files were corrupted as had been the case with other packages and the whole product was intuitive.

Once I had XAMPP up and running I found it easier and easier to delve into the realms of apache, mysql and php and to be able to see the results. I made mistakes and if these were toooooo severe I simply deleted the package and reinstalled it. The whole thing takes no more than ten minutes.

For "noobs" like me this is the ideal starter package and it grows as you want it to not as someone else decides!!

It is well supported and regularly updated and fits across main platforms I have now tried it on both Linux (which I was again relatively new to) and Windows which I use for the majority of my testing. It is ideal for both.



XAMPP for Linux - Easy, up to date, powerful ... eXcellent!, Mar 8th, 2005

Reviewed By: ClausVB

I am able to install a LAMP on my own. But XAMPP is so easy to install, all packages are up to date. e.g. Apache 2.0.53, MySQL 4.1.10, PHP 5.0.3 & 4.3.10, Perl 5.8.6 and many more, makes XAMPP your application for powerful webservices and webserver. It supports CMS like Mambo, Typo3 and Imperia. You can install every PHP-application I know: bulletin boards (phpBB, IPB, WBB, etc.) and guestbooks ... I think every script on Hotscripts.com will run on XAMPP if it's written in PHP or Perl. The best open source product I know beside phpMyAdmin.



The new XAMPP, Mar 14th, 2005

Reviewed By: jaypii

Very good idea but still not perfect.
Anyway it's a beta on MacOS X. Very simple installation and a lot of useful modules integrated.
Go on like this and it will come out excellent.



Fantastic Software Package!, Apr 16th, 2005

Reviewed By: cpspros

In December, 2004, I was a complete novice in all aspects of web servers. I attempted and failed to install apache, php, perl from their sources. But then, I found this project! I installed version 1.4.9 quickly and easily. I have been updating after every new version, and I know that I will always be downloading the latest software. I now have several domains and ftp account and, I couldn't have gotten here without XAMPP.



This is great, Jul 3rd, 2005

Reviewed By: babouherve

I only have praises for this guys, great job. I finally have been able to run a those application on my laptop.



Nice, Jul 4th, 2005

Reviewed By: Kagemaru

I have set up Apache with PHP + MySQL on quite some machines now and know that it sometimes can be a bit of a problem for a beginner. I think it's refreshing to see that someone is actually doing something for those beginners. Works great :)



XAMPP - Stop pulling your hair out!, Jul 22nd, 2005

Reviewed By: OG_Slacker

I recently downloaded and installed XAMPP server software for Windows and I must tell you that is 100% effective. I have tried for the last 3 weeks to configure Apache, PHP, and MySQL on a Windows XP sytem without success. There are many tutorials out there but is very difficult to do, UNTIL I found XAMPP. Bravo guys, thanks for designing this application. I now have a web server I can practice on instead of pulling my hair out.



Great, Aug 17th, 2005

Reviewed By: zanferrari

I have installed for the second time the XAMPP package and i must say: it's wonderfull. Nothing to configure, all automated without fails... Use it!!!



Excellent choise for Web-programmers., Aug 26th, 2005

Reviewed By: Eugene3d

Easy to setup, excellent set of tools for web developers of any kind. Somewhere complicated for newbies it's highly recommended for Web-programmers and Web-designers. Outstanding start configuration, a lot of features, servers and services needed for comfort work. I'm working with XAMPP for almost 6 month - no complains. Must-have!



XAMPP, Aug 27th, 2005

Reviewed By: RedKetchup

Apache friends has taken out the difficulties in the installation of software than can be hard to get going.

Great for anyone who needs to work with a web server, database and php.

Thanks Apache Friends!



Excellent for Windows - Lacking for OS/X, Jun 7th, 2006

Reviewed By: ngcomputing

If you're just starting out or need to get an in-house test server up and running XAMPP is a great product. Contains everything in one package install. I used XAMPP (after configuring my own setup for years) on the Windows platform. They offer a OS/X version, but, according to their web site upgrades tend to be lagging as of this review. For those of you in the Winx environment XAMPP is top notch, for OS/X users check out MAMP. Both are great for n00bs and experienced users tired of LAMP compiles.



Great program bundle!, Oct 12th, 2006

Reviewed By: AlanMAC2006

I use this package for testing different PHP and CGI scripts, I LOVE IT! If you want to learn scripts, web design, and other web activities, then I advise this program. Great for Beginners to advanced users.



Xampp, Jun 29th, 2007

Reviewed By: jondohh

After having problems with other installation packages, I was recommended Xampp. The installation process was fantastic as was the configuration. Anyone like me who has no major knowledge of installing servers will find this a real gem!

Very tidy control panel allows easy access, the only downside is their support forum is limited for English folks mainly in German.