

10 Steps

Not To Forget After Installing Drupal

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Introduction

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Drupal Out of the Box



1. Make your life easier

- Administrative Theme
 - Seven (default)
 - Rubik (requires Tao)
 - Cube (requires Tao)
 - Stanley
 - Shiny
 - Ember
 - Adminimal
- `module_filter`

NO BALLS

IF YOU GOTTA EAT SHIT
DON'T NIBBLE!

WRECK MY SHIT

WHAT PART

1. Make your life easier

- Admin menu vs Toolbar
 - Install admin menu, enable Admin Menu Toolbar style, Enable shortcuts in Admin Menu, disable Toolbar
- To overlay or not to overlay?
 - Takes up too much real estate and gets annoying
- Php.ini (extra credit) – Sooner or later you will have to adjust memory_limit and upload_max_filesize settings

2. Site Information

- Site email (dev vs live)
- Front page ← node/1
- 403 Error (Access denied)*
- 404 Error (Page not found)*

*Chance to be creative and user friendly

3. User settings

- Account settings
 - Default picture
 - Emails
 - Profile Fields vs Profile2
- Login/Logout destination (Rules, LoginToboggan, login_destination)
- Create Roles
- Configure permissions



4. Content Authoring*

- Text formats (Served up by role and by the order they are in)
 - Plain text (For anonymous e.g. comments)
 - Filter HTML (For regular users)
 - Full HTML (For power user)

4.1 Content Authoring

- CKEditor (Install ckeditor js library)
- Many settings but be sure to visit
 - Editor appearance (What buttons)
 - CSS (define you own syles e.g. floatR, floatL)
 - File browser (They will want to add images and files)
 - Advanced (They will paste form frackin' Word)
- Users will try to do stuff, prepare and be happy

5. Nodes

- Content Type
 - Submission Form
 - Display settings (Doh! default is display author and date)
- Comments (With power comes great responsibility)
 - Doh! Default is comments enabled
 - Spam controls (mollum, captcha)
 - Plan for maintenance

5.1 Url Aliases

- Install and enable Pathauto
- Setup default aliases
 - The default is content/[node:title] (Nice try but...)
 - Usability and SEO (Make it friendly for human beings, the robots will understand it better)

6. View settings

- Not in core but YOU WILL install views (requires ctools)
- Enable views and views_ui
- Pre configured views
- Do you know there are settings? Like...
 - Show SQL query
 - Show performance stats
 - Always show advanced settings

6.1 View settings

- And once you build your views
 - Sort (Default is by creation date)
 - No results settings
 - Exposed form style (Install `better_exposed_filters`)
 - Submit, Reset, Autosubmit (the later is tempting but can be confusing to users)
 - Use Ajax
 - Caching
 - Theme information

7. Image settings

- File System (public/private) – It will matter
- Image styles (we take auto scaling for granted)
 - Configure display sizes here and use them in displays everywhere (nodes, views, etc.)
- While you're at it configure Date and Time formats

8. Mail

Where are the configurations!

- SMTP module
- Messaging & notifications modules or Subscriptions & Mail Editor
- Rules
- RerouteMail Module to manage dev/test environments

9. Performance

- Performance
 - Cache for anonymous
 - Aggregate js and css
 - Caching on server (e.g. Varnish)
- Pre-launch Tasks
 - Disable devel modules
 - Logging and errors

10. Security

- User permissions (Revisit roles and permissions after installing modules)
- File permissions
- SSL? + Secure Pages
- Restricting content
 - Security by obscurity does not work with Google
 - This includes files
- Solutions
 - Access control module (Avoid conflicts by limiting the number of access modules e.g. OG + Access Control + Taxonomy Access)
 - Private files

10 Steps - Summary

1. Make your life easier

2. System Information

3. User settings

4. Content authoring

5. Nodes

6. Views

7. Images

8. Mail

9. Performance

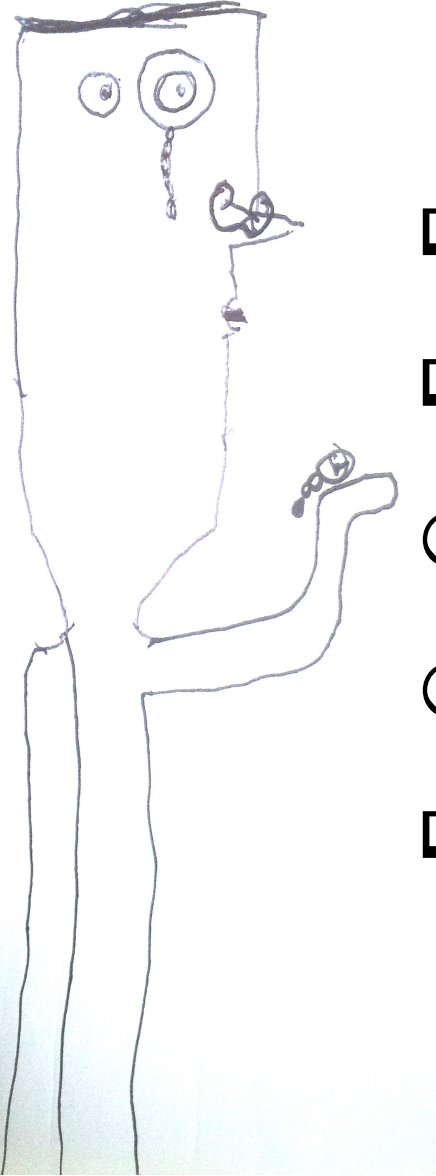
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Starter Tools

- Bear
- Custom Installation profile



Questions?



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- drupalize.me
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