

Preparation

There are some things we need to do in preparation to install this service.

Block ads in your archival copies by installing [AdGuard Home](#).

Volumes

Persistent Data

This is where the service will store its own application data and ensures we can quickly update the service image.

Ensure your user has permissions to access the folder

Environment

TZ

This is the current time zone formatted using the [tz database](#).

For example: America/Vancouver

PUID

This is the numeric ID of the user account on Debian. If you are unsure, open a terminal and run:

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id -u
```

PGID

This is the numeric ID of the user account's group on Debian. If you are unsure, open a terminal and run:

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id -g
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ADMIN_USERNAME

This is the username used to create the admin account on the first run.

This should be removed from the Compose configuration after the first run.

ALLOWED_HOSTS

This can be used to restrict traffic to specific domains, like archivebox.example.com.

Setting this to '*' allows all incoming traffic. This should be set if ArchiveBox is being connected to the internet using SWAG.

*Recommended: **

PUBLIC_INDEX

Configures whether your ArchiveBox index of websites can be anonymously accessed by the public.

Recommended: False

PUBLIC_SNAPSHOTS

Configures whether your ArchiveBox snapshots can be anonymously accessed by the public.

Recommended: False

PUBLIC_ADD_VIEW

Configures whether your ArchiveBox can have archival backups requested anonymously by the public.

Recommended: False

MEDIA_MAX_SIZE

This is the maximum allowed size for each individual media file archive

Recommended: 750m

TIMEOUT

This is the maximum amount of time ArchiveBox will spend trying to archive a URL. This can be increased if you encounter frequent timeout errors.

Recommended: 60

CHECK_SSL_VALIDITY

This verifies the SSL certificate used for secure connections before downloading an archive. This can ensure that a website is who they say they are and do not contain malicious content.

Recommended: True

SAVE_ARCHIVE_DOT_ORG

This is whether ArchiveBox will request for archive.org to backup URLs by default

Recommended: True

Passwords

Keep these securely stored in a password manager, such as [VaultWarden](#).

ADMIN_PASSWORD

This is the password for the administrator account that will be used within the web interface.

It is important to use secure passphrase that is easy-to-remember.

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