



GlassFish v3 Application Server Quick Start Guide



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Application Server Quick Start

The *GlassFish Application Server v3 Technology Preview 2 Quick Start Guide* provides basic instructions for quickly getting up and running with GlassFish Application Server v3 Technology Preview 2 software.

For information about conventions used in this document, see the [Documentation Conventions](#) page.

Installing Application Server Software

Install the GlassFish Application Server software before continuing with the remainder of this document. GlassFish Application Server v3 Technology Preview 2 software is available from [Application Server — V3 Technology Preview](#) page.

▼ To Install Application Server v3 Technology Preview 2 Software

Before You Begin The Application Server v3 Technology Preview 2 installation requires [JDK 5](#) or [JDK 6](#). Also make sure that the Java bin directory is in your path.

- 1 Download the [technology preview bundle](#).
- 2 Change to the directory into which you want to install the v3 Technology Preview 2 bundle.
- 3 **Unzip the bundle:**

```
unzip filename.zip
```

where *filename.zip* is the name of the bundle you just downloaded. This installs the v3 Technology Preview 2 distribution into a new `glassfish` directory under your current directory.

Starting and Stopping the Default Domain

By default, when you install Application Server, a default domain named `domain1` is created.

▼ To Start the Default Domain

- Use the `asadmin start-domain` command.

```
as-install/bin/asadmin start-domain
```

- Alternatively, you can enter the full command:

```
java -jar as-install/modules/admin-cli-10.0-SNAPSHOT.jar start-domain
```

Either of these commands starts the default domain, `domain1`.

▼ To Stop the Default Domain

- Use the `asadmin stop-domain` command.

```
as-install/bin/asadmin stop-domain
```

- Alternatively, you can enter the full command:

```
java -jar as-install/modules/admin-cli-10.0-SNAPSHOT.jar stop-domain
```

Either of these commands stops the default domain, `domain1`.

Starting and Stopping the Bundled Java DB Server

Application Server is bundled by default with a Java DB server implementation, although you can use any JDBC-compliant database engine. The database is not started by default when you start Application Server, so if you have applications need a database backend, you need to start the database server manually.

▼ To Start the Java DB Server

The instructions in this procedure describe how to start the Java DB server that is bundled with Application Server, but they apply for the most part to any database you want to use.

Note – At least one Application Server domain must be started *before* starting the database server.

- **Use the `asadmin start-database` command.**

The general form for the command is:

```
as-install/bin/asadmin start-database --dbhome directory_path
```

By default, for the Java DB bundled with Application Server, you do not need to use the `--dbhome` option:

```
as-install/bin/asadmin start-database
```

This starts the default Java DB located in `as-install/glassfish/javadb`.

▼ To Stop the Java DB Server

- **Use the `asadmin stop-database` command.**

```
as-install/bin/asadmin stop-database
```

Using the Administration Console GUI

The Application Server Administration Console GUI (hereafter referred to as the *Admin Console*) provides a graphical, browser-based means for configuring, maintaining, and monitoring the Application Server and your domains.

Note – In the Application Server v3 Technology Preview 2 release, the Admin Console is not installed by default, but is instead installed when you invoke it for the first time after installing Application Server.

▼ To Launch the Admin Console

Before You Begin Make sure at least one Application Server domain is started, as described in [“To Start the Default Domain”](#) on page 4.

- 1 **Open the Admin Console URL in a browser window.**

The default URL for the Admin Console is:

```
http://localhost:8080/admin
```

You are prompted to install the Admin Console.

- 2 **Enter a proxy host and proxy port, if necessary, and then click *OK* to start the Admin Console installation.**
- 3 **When the installation is complete, refresh the browser page to launch the Admin Console.**
You may need to refresh the page in your browser more than once. Also, you may find that you need to reenter the URL for the Admin Console.
- 4 **Log in to the Admin Console.**
By default, the user name is anonymous and the Password field is left blank (no password).

See Also Refer to the *GlassFish v3 Application Server Administration Guide* and to the Admin Console online help for further instructions.

Deploying and Undeploying Applications

The process of configuring and enabling an application to run within the Application Server framework is referred to as *deployment*.

You can deploy applications in three ways:

- From the command line (Admin Console CLI) with the `asadmin deploy` command
- From the Admin Console GUI
- By placing the application in the `as-install/domains/domain_name/autodeploy` directory

Note – In the Application Server v3 Technology Preview 2 release, applications can be packaged for deployment in Web Archive (WAR) format only.

The remainder of this chapter explains how to deploy, list, and undeploy applications.

The instructions in this section use the `hello.war` sample file available at <http://glassfish.dev.java.net/downloads/quickstart/hello.war>.

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▼ To Get the Sample Application Used in This Section

- **Download the `hello.war` sample from** <http://glassfish.dev.java.net/downloads/quickstart/hello.war> and save it in the directory of your choice.

The procedures in the remainder of this chapter use this `hello.war` sample.

▼ To Deploy an Application From the Admin Console CLI

- 1 **Use the `asadmin deploy` command.**

The general form for the command is:

```
as-install/bin/asadmin deploy war_name
```

To deploy the `hello.war` sample, the command is:

```
as-install/bin/asadmin deploy sample_dir/hello.war
```

- 2 **Access the `hello` application by entering the following URL in a browser window:**

```
http://localhost:8080/hello
```

The application's start page is displayed, and you are prompted to fill in your name.

```
Hi, my name is Duke. What's yours?
```

- 3 **Type your name and click *Submit*.**

The application displays a customized response, giving you a personal `Hello`.

▼ To List Deployed Applications From the Admin Console CLI

- **Use the `asadmin list-applications` command:**

```
as-install/bin/asadmin list-applications
```

▼ To Undeploy an Application From the Admin Console CLI

- Use the `asadmin undeploy` command.

The general form for the command is:

```
as-install/bin/asadmin undeploy --name war_name
```

For the `hello.war` example, the command is:

```
as-install/bin/asadmin undeploy --name hello.war
```

▼ To Deploy an Application From the Admin Console GUI

- 1 Open the Admin Console GUI by entering the following URL in a browser window:

```
http://localhost:8080/admingui/
```

- 2 Click the *Web Applications* node in the tree on the left.

The Web Applications page is displayed.

- 3 Click *Deploy*.

The Deploy Enterprise Applications/Modules page is displayed.

- 4 Select “Packaged file to be uploaded to the server,” if it is not already selected, and then click *Browse*.

- 5 Navigate to the location in which you saved the `hello.war` sample, and then click *Open*.

Note – If running Application Server on Windows, be sure to remove the drive letter and colon (for example, C:) from the file name path.

You are returned to the Deploy Enterprise Applications/Modules page.

- 6 Enter a description in the Description field; for example, `hello`.

- 7 Accept the other default settings, and click *OK*.

You are returned to Web Applications page.

- 8 Display the sample application by entering the following URL in a browser window:

```
http://localhost:8080/hello/
```


▼ To View Deployed Applications in the Admin Console GUI

- 1 Open the Admin Console GUI by entering the following URL in a browser window:

`http://localhost:8080/admingui/`

- 2 Click the *Web Applications* node in the tree on the left.

The list of deployed Web applications is displayed in the page is displayed in the Deployed Web Applications table on the Web Applications page.

▼ To Undeploy an Application From the Admin Console GUI

- 1 Open the Admin Console GUI by entering the following URL in a browser window:

`http://localhost:8080/admingui/`

- 2 Click the *Web Applications* node in the tree on the left.

The Web Applications page is displayed.

- 3 Select the checkbox next to the application(s) you want to undeploy, and then click *Undeploy*.

Alternatively, you can keep an application deployed, but disable it by clicking *Disable*.

▼ To Deploy an Application Using Autodeploy

- 1 Create a directory named `as-install/domains/domain_name/autodeploy`

`domain_name` is the name of the domain for which you want to configure autodeployment. For this example, use the default `domain1` domain:

`as-install/domains/domain1/autodeploy`

- 2 Copy the application WAR file to the `as-install/domains/domain_name/autodeploy` directory.

The application is automatically discovered and started by Application Server.

▼ To Undeploy an Autodeployed Application

- Delete the application from the domain's `autodeploy` directory.

Application Server With Scripting and Development Tools

Application Server now supports several scripting languages, including JRuby-on-Rails, NetBeans, and Eclipse. This section provides a brief overview of using these three technologies with Application Server.

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Working With JRuby-on-Rails

JRuby is a Java implementation of the Ruby programming language, an interpreted language with a simple syntax that enables developers to create applications quickly and easily. *Rails* is a Web application framework that eliminates much of the repetition and configuration required in other programming environments. With JRuby-on-Rails, you get the simplicity and productivity offered by Ruby and Rails and the access to Java libraries offered by the Java platform.

Refer to the following resources for more information about using JRuby-on-Rails with Application Server:

- [JRuby-on-Rails Administrator's Guide \[***Link TBD\]](#)
- [Deploy and Run Rails on GlassFish v3 wiki](#)
- [JRuby on Glassfish - Getting Started Guide wiki](#)

Working With Eclipse

Eclipse is an open source community whose projects are focused on building an open development platform comprised of extensible frameworks, tools and runtimes for building, deploying and managing software across the lifecycle. A large and vibrant ecosystem of major technology vendors, innovative start-ups, universities, research institutions and individuals extend, complement and support the Eclipse platform.

For basic instructions on using Eclipse with Application Server, see [***Link TBD].

Working With NetBeans

Application Server v3 Technology Preview 2 is compatible with NetBeans 6.1 (shipping soon).

▼ To Configure the Application Server v3 Technology Preview 2 NetBeans Module

- 1 **Download the Application Server v3 Technology Preview 2 NetBeans module.**

The module will be available from the [NetBeans Beta Update Center](#).

- 2 **Unpack and install the module according to the directions in the NetBeans module package.**

- 3 **Open the *Services* tab in NetBeans.**

- 4 **Click the *Add Server* menu item on the *Servers* node.**

- 5 **Select the GlassFish v3 Technology Preview 2 server type and enter the server location.**

The Application Server will now be available to NetBeans.

More Information Configuration Notes

- Creating a Web application and deploying, running, debugging, undeploying, or redeploying it to the server target is not significantly different from performing these tasks in Application Server v2.
- You can see the list of applications deployed to Application Server (Web or JRuby-on-Rails) in the NetBeans *Services* tab. From this same tab, you can also undeploy applications and see a list of Sun resources registered on the Application Server.
- The v3 Technology Preview 2 NetBeans module supports the creation of Sun resources. It also registers the Eclipse Link libraries to both the NetBeans Library Manager and the Comet Library.
- You can enable the Application Server Comet features in the *Properties* pane on the Application Server server node. You can also select the JRuby platform (either the default platform shipped with NetBeans 6.1 or one available from another source) to enable JRuby support.
- If the v3 Technology Preview 2 EJB container is installed, you can create a Pojo class in a Web Application project, annotate it with `@Stateless` annotation, and call this EJB from a Servlet using `@EJB` annotation.

Application Server Update Center

The GlassFish Application Server Update Center is a convenient GUI-based tool for getting the latest versions of various Application Server plugins, extensions, and related applications. There is also a command-line interface for all Update Center functions.

The Update Center can be launched with the `updateTool` command in the Application Server *as-install/updatecenter/bin* directory, or from the Application Server administration console GUI.

For More Information

The GlassFish Application Server is an open source community project for which numerous sources of additional information are available.

GlassFish Application Server Project Page	Starting point for Application Server downloads, documentation, wikis, and forums
Application Server Documentation Home Page	Complete Application Server documentation
Application Server Wiki	Community site that includes a wide range of topics related to Application Server
Application Server FAQ	Several FAQs covering various Application Server topics
Application Server user forums	Provide community support and tips for working with Application Server
Application Server Screencasts	Rapidly growing collection of screencasts that demonstrate numerous features and examples for working with Application Server and related projects
Java EE 5 Tutorial	Provides extensive instructions, examples, and sample code for working with all Java platform core technologies