

What's an easy way to set up a WAMP test environment?

Many popular Content Management Systems (CMS) run in a php/mysql environment. Their dynamic nature makes traditional develop on workstation and upload less useful, and editing live on the server is not always desirable. Luckily there are straightforward ways to set up a WAMP (Windows Apache MySQL PHP) environment on a windows test machine!

<http://www.wampserver.com/> offers a solid, with a simple setup consisting of a single install wizard. It is NOT hard enough for a production environment, but it's fine for testing or internal sharing.

<http://www.uniformserver.com/> is orientated towards production environments, but has not been updated for a quite a while as of the writing of this article (though it is once again an active product).

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