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# **Plugger**

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# CHAPTER 1

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## Overview

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LizardByte has the full documentation hosted on [Read the Docs](#).

### 1.1 About

Plugger is a plug-in for Plex Media Player. The plug-in helps you manage your Plex Media Server plug-ins.

Some of the main features of the Plugger are:

- install/update/uninstall plugins
- search for plugins
- view stats about plugins (e.g. number of GitHub stars, forks, issues, etc.)
- view installed plugin logs

### 1.2 Integrations

### 1.3 Downloads



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## Installation

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The recommended method for running Plgger is to use the *bundle* in the latest release.

### 2.1 Bundle

The bundle is cross platform, meaning Linux, macOS, and Windows are supported.

1. Download the `plgger.bundle.zip` from the [latest release](#)
2. Extract the contents to your Plex Media Server Plugins directory.

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**Tip:** See [How do I find the Plug-Ins folder](#) for information specific to your Plex server install.

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### 2.2 Docker

Docker images are available on [Dockerhub](#) and [ghcr.io](#).

See [Docker](#) for additional information.

### 2.3 Source

**Caution:** Installing from source is not recommended most users.

1. Follow the steps in [Build](#).
2. Move the compiled `plgger.bundle` to your Plex Media Server Plugins directory.



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## Docker

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### 3.1 lizardbyte/plugger

This is a `docker-mod` for `plex` which adds `Plugger` to `plex` as a plugin, to be downloaded/updated during container start. This image extends the `plex` image, and is not intended to be created as a separate container.

### 3.2 Installation

In `plex` docker arguments, set an environment variable `DOCKER_MODS=lizardbyte/plugger:latest` or `DOCKER_MODS=ghcr.io/lizardbyte/plugger:latest`

If adding multiple mods, enter them in an array separated by `|`, such as `DOCKER_MODS=lizardbyte/plugger:latest|linuxserver/mods:other-plex-mod`

### 3.3 Supported Architectures

Specifying `lizardbyte/plugger:latest` or `ghcr.io/lizardbyte/plugger:latest` should retrieve the correct image for your architecture.

The architectures supported by this image are:

Architecture	Available
x86-64	
arm64	
armhf	



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## Usage

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Minimal setup is required to use Plugger. In addition to the installation, a couple of settings must be configured.

1. Navigate to the *Plugins* menu within the Plex server settings.
2. Select the gear cog when hovering over the Plugger plugin tile.
3. Set the values of the preferences and save.

## 4.1 Preferences

### 4.1.1 Web UI Locale

**Description** The localization value to use for translations.

**Default** en

### 4.1.2 Web UI Host Address

**Description** The host address to bind the Web UI to.

**Default** 0.0.0.0

### 4.1.3 Web UI Port

**Description** The port to bind the Web UI to.

**Default** 9595

#### **4.1.4 Log all web server messages**

**Description** If set to True, all web server messages will be logged. This will include logging requests and status codes when requesting any resource. It is recommended to keep this disabled unless debugging.

**Default** False

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## Troubleshooting

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### 5.1 Plugin Logs

See [Plugin Log Files](#) for the plugin log directory.

Plex uses rolling logs. There will be six log files available. The newest log file will be named `dev.lizardbyte.plugger.log`. There will be additional log files with the same name, appended with a *1-5*.

It is best to replicate the issue you are experiencing, then review the latest log file. The information in the log file may seem cryptic. If so it would be best to reach out for [support](#).

**Attention:** Before uploading logs, it would be wise to review the data in the log file. Plex does not filter the masked settings (e.g. credentials) out of the log file.

### 5.2 Plex Media Server Logs

If you have a more severe problem, you may need to troubleshoot an issue beyond the plugin itself. See [Plex Media Server Logs](#) for more information.



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Changelog

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## Contributing

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Read our contribution guide in our organization level [docs](#).



# CHAPTER 8

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## Database

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The database of plugins is held in our [PluggerDB](#) repository. The majority of plugin metadata is pulled using GitHub's API, but categories are added manually. To add plugins, or update categories for a plugin, you can open an issue on PluggerDB. Please follow the instructions in the PluggerDB readme.



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## Build

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Compiling Plugger is fairly simple; however it is recommended to use Python 2.7 since the Plex framework is using Python 2.7.

### 9.1 Clone

Ensure `git` is installed and run the following:

```
git clone https://github.com/lizardbyte/plugger.git plugger.bundle  
cd ./plugger.bundle
```

### 9.2 Setup venv

It is recommended to setup and activate a `venv`.

### 9.3 Install Requirements

#### Install Requirements

```
python -m pip install --upgrade --target=./Contents/Libraries/Shared -r  
requirements.txt --no-warn-script-location
```

#### Development Requirements

```
python -m pip install -r requirements-dev.txt
```

## 9.4 Build Plist

```
python ./scripts/build_plist.py
```

## 9.5 npm dependencies

Install nodejs and npm. Downloads available [here](#).

**Install npm dependencies.**

```
npm install
```

**Move modules directory.**

**Linux/macOS**

```
mv ./node_modules ./Contents/Resources/web
```

**Windows**

```
move .\node_modules .\Contents\Resources\web
```

## 9.6 Remote Build

It may be beneficial to build remotely in some cases. This will enable easier building on different operating systems.

1. Fork the project
2. Activate workflows
3. Trigger the *CI* workflow manually
4. Download the artifacts from the workflow run summary

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## Testing

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### 10.1 Flake8

Plugger uses [Flake8](#) for enforcing consistent code styling. Flake8 is included in the `requirements-dev.txt`.

The config file for flake8 is `.flake8`. This is already included in the root of the repo and should not be modified.

#### Test with Flake8

```
python -m flake8
```

### 10.2 Sphinx

Plugger uses [Sphinx](#) for documentation building. Sphinx is included in the `requirements-dev.txt`.

Plugger follows [numpydoc](#) styling and formatting in docstrings. This will be tested when building the docs. `numpydoc` is included in the `requirements-dev.txt`.

The config file for Sphinx is `docs/source/conf.py`. This is already included in the root of the repo and should not be modified.

#### Test with Sphinx

```
cd docs  
make html
```

Alternatively

```
cd docs  
sphinx-build -b html source build
```

## 10.3 pytest

Plugger uses [pytest](#) for unit testing. pytest is included in the `requirements-dev.txt`.

No config is required for pytest.

### Test with pytest

```
python -m pytest
```

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## \_\_init\_\_

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Code.**Start()**

Start the plug-in.

This function is called when the plug-in first starts. It can be used to perform extra initialisation tasks such as configuring the environment and setting default attributes. See the archived Plex documentation [Predefined functions](#) for more information.

First preferences are validated using the `ValidatePrefs()` method. Then the flask web app is started.

### Examples

```
>>> Start()  
...
```

Code.**ValidatePrefs()**

Validate plug-in preferences.

This function is called when the user modifies their preferences. The developer can check the newly provided values to ensure they are correct (e.g. attempting a login to validate a username and password), and optionally return a `MessageContainer` to display any error information to the user. See the archived Plex documentation [Predefined functions](#) for more information.

### Returns

**MessageContainer** Success or Error message depending on results of validation.

### Examples

```
>>> ValidatePrefs()  
...
```



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## webapp

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```
Code.webapp.get_locale()  
Get the locale from the config.
```

Get the locale specified in the config. This does not need to be called as it is done so automatically by *babel*.

### Returns

**str** The locale.

### See also:

`pyra.locales.get_locale` Use this function instead.

## Examples

```
>>> get_locale()  
en
```

```
Code.webapp.home()  
Serve the webapp home page.
```

This page is where most of the functionality for Plucker is provided.

### Returns

**render\_template** The rendered page.

## Notes

The following routes trigger this function.

- /
- /home

### Examples

```
>>> home()
```

Code.webapp.**image**(*img*)

Get image from static/images directory.

#### Returns

**flask.send\_from\_directory** The image.

### Notes

The following routes trigger this function.

- /favicon.ico

### Examples

```
>>> image('favicon.ico')
```

Code.webapp.**install\_plugin**()

Install a plugin.

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**Todo:** Complete this function.

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Code.webapp.**installed\_plugins**()

Serve the list of installed plugins.

Code.webapp.**log\_stream**(*plugin\_identifier*)

Serve the plugin logs in plain text.

Collect and format the logs for the specified plugin.

#### Parameters

**plugin\_identifier** [str] The reverse domain name of the plugin, e.g. *dev.lizardbyte.plugger*.

#### Returns

**Response** The text of the log files.

### Notes

The following routes trigger this function.

- /log\_stream/
- /log\_stream/<plugin name>

### Examples

```
>>> log_stream(plugin_identifier='dev.lizardbyte.plugger')
```

Code.webapp.**logs** (*plugin\_identifier*)

Serve the plugin logs.

Collect and format the logs for the specified plugin.

#### Parameters

**plugin\_identifier** [str] The reverse domain name of the plugin, e.g. *dev.lizardbyte.plugger*.

#### Returns

**render\_template** The logs template with the requested information.

### Notes

The following routes trigger this function.

- /*logs*/
- /*logs*/*<plugin name>*

### Examples

```
>>> logs(plugin_identifier='dev.lizardbyte.plugger')
```

Code.webapp.**status**()

Check the status of Plugger.

This is useful for a healthcheck from Docker, and may have many other uses in the future.

#### Returns

**dict** A dictionary of the status.

### Examples

```
>>> status()
```

Code.webapp.**translations**()

Serve the translations.

#### Returns

**Response** The translations.

### Examples

```
>>> translations()
```



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