

Checklist for installing Debian 12 LTS¹ Server.

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Fill in the behind the underlined words, see [explanation]:

<u>user</u>	<input type="text"/>	[Full name, e.g. John Doe]
<u>username</u>	<input type="text"/>	[User name, e.g. john]
<u>servername</u>	<input type="text"/>	[Name of the server, e.g. sv02]
<u>user</u>	<input type="text"/>	[Full name possibly 2 nd user]
<u>username</u>	<input type="text"/>	[User name possibly 2 nd user]

Replace the underlined words in this checklist with those in the .

Not yet on Linux? → Use **Checklist transfer** on karelzimmer.nl/en under **Linux**.

New installation? → Start at chapter **2 Perform installation**.

1 Prepare installation

- ☐ ☐ Log in as user².
- ☐ Install Debian-package kz³ with the following commands:
wget karelzimmer.nl/getdeb
bash getdeb
Follow the instructions on the screen.
- ☐ ☐ Prepare the installation:
Type 'kz menu'.
Select **1 Prepare installation**.
Follow the instructions on the screen.

1 LTS stands for Long-Term Support, and this June 2023 Debian 12 LTS Server (codenamed bookworm) will be supported for five years until June 2028.

2 Login any additional users and follow the same steps.

3 Package kz contains scripts for installing and managing Debian and Debian-based systems such as Ubuntu.

2 Perform installation

- ☐ Boot the computer from¹ an Debian 12 Server Live² USB stick³.
Select **Start installer**.

Follow the instructions on the installation screens.

- ☐ At **Select your location**:
Click on **other**.
Click on **Europe**.
Click on **Netherlands**.
- ☐ At **Configure the network**:
Enter **Hostname** servername.
- ☐ At **Set up users and passwords**:
Don't set **Root** password.
Enter **Full name of the new user** user.
Enter **User name for your account** username.
Enter a **password** twice.

1 Boot menu/Setup via one of the frequently used keys: `Esc`, `Delete`, `F1`, `F2`, `F9`, `F10`, `F11`, or `F12`.

2 From a Live USB stick you can boot and work with Debian without modifying any files on the hard drive and also allows installation of Debian.

3 Create a bootable USB stick:

Download a CD image file (.iso) from [debian.org](https://www.debian.org), click consecutively **Other downloads** (under Download) > **Other live ISO** (under try Debian live before installing) > **debian-live-12...-amd64-standard.iso**.

The next steps are described in **Linux information**, which can be found at karelzimmer.nl, under **Linux**.

3 Finish installation

- ☐ Log in as user.
- ☐ Add any additional users with the following commands:
 `sudo useradd --create-home -- comment 'user' [--groups adm,sudo]`
 username
 `sudo passwd username`
- ☐ Install updates with the following commands:
 `sudo apt update`
 `sudo apt upgrade`
 Follow the instructions on the screen.
- ☐ Install Debian-package `kz`¹ with the following commands:
 `wget karelzimmer.nl/getdeb`
 `bash getdeb`
 Follow the instructions on the screen.
- ☐ Complete the installation:
 Type '`kz menu`'.
 Select **3 Finish installation**.
 Follow the instructions on the screen.

1 Package `kz` contains scripts for installing and managing Debian and Debian-based systems such as Ubuntu.

4 Provision user

☐ ☐ Log in as user¹.



☐ ☐ Set up the user:

Type 'kz menu', followed by the key.

Select **4 Provision user** followed by the key.

Follow the instructions on the screen.

End of checklist, Debian 12 LTS Server installation is complete.

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¹ Login any additional users and follow the same steps.