

Set up your domain name

The general idea: You have a domain name, and you must instruct your domain registrar to point it to your server. Instruction depends on your registrar. Below is an example:

You may need to add an A record of your *. [FQDN](#) or your *.domain in your DNS. DNS management is typically offered with your domain name registrar, but you can also use a specialized service.

Below is an example with Gandi.net, where everything (mail, XMPP, web, etc), and all subdomains (ex.: conference.example.org) goes to the same server.

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This is a setup where everything (email, web, XMPP, etc.) is on one server.

Replace example.org by your domain

Replace 123.456.123.456 by your IP address

The screenshot shows the Gandi.net account management interface. At the top, there are navigation links for Service status, Shopping cart, Webmail, and English. Below this is a main navigation bar with categories like Services, Account management, Billing, Orders in progress, and Messages (50). A secondary navigation bar lists specific services: Domains, Contacts, SSL, Websites, Simple Hosting, and Servers. The main content area is titled 'Domain Names > example.org'. Under 'Information', the domain name 'example.org' is highlighted, along with its type (Private), owner, and last updated date (2016-02-28, 00:25). A 'Zone file versions' section shows 'Version 2' as the active version. A warning message states: 'WARNING: This version is in use. To edit this zone, you must first select a different version, or create a new one.' Below this is a search bar and a table of DNS records. The table has columns for Name, Type, Value, and TTL. Three records are listed: an A record for '@' with value '123.456.123.456', a CNAME record for '*' with value 'example.org.', and an MX record for '@' with value 'example.org. (50)'. The bottom of the page includes a creation date, an 'Add' button, and a 'Go back to your list of domains' button.

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Service status Shopping cart Webmail English

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Domains Contacts SSL Websites Simple Hosting Servers

Sunrise: .mom Available now at Gandi: .barcelona Now loose In GoLive: .pet Great sale on .cat Security Issue CVE-2015-7547

Domain Names > example.org

Information

Name: **example.org** [Name](#) [Copy to edit](#)

Type: Private (you can edit it)

Owner: [REDACTED]

Last updated: 2016-02-28, 00:25

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✓ Version currently being used: 2

○ Number of domains using this zone: 1 [See](#)

Zone file versions

Version 1 [x](#) **Version 2** [✓](#) Edit mode: Normal

WARNING: This version is in use. To edit this zone, you must first **select a different version, or create a new one.** [Create a new version](#)

Search [?](#) [OK](#)

Name (3/3)	Type	Value	TTL	
@	A	123.456.123.456	3h	✎ ✕
*	CNAME	example.org.	3h	✎ ✕
@	MX	example.org. (50)	3h	✎ ✕

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