

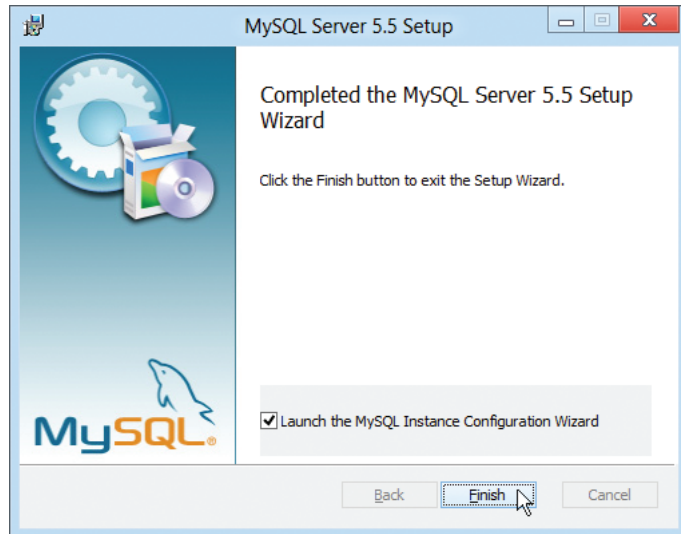


Further guidance on installation of the MySQL Server is available at <http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.5/en/installing.html>.

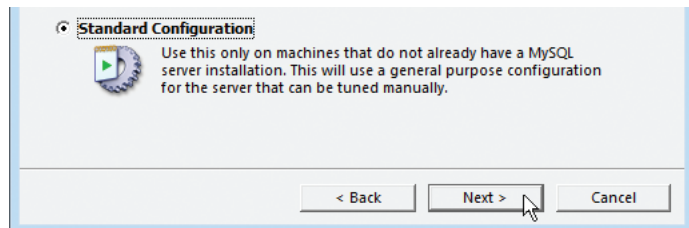
# Installing the MySQL Server

The MySQL database server, which provides “back-end” storage for data-driven websites, is available for Windows, Mac OS X, and Linux operating systems as a free download at [mysql.com](http://mysql.com).

- 1 Download the MySQL Community Edition setup package for your system from [mysql.com/downloads/mysql](http://mysql.com/downloads/mysql)
- 2 Run the downloaded executable file to launch the MySQL Server Setup Wizard and install the server, then check the box to “Launch the MySQL Instance Configuration Wizard” in the final dialog box



- 3 Click Finish to launch the Configuration Wizard then Choose the Typical Setup Type option and click Next
- 4 Now choose the Standard Configuration and click Next



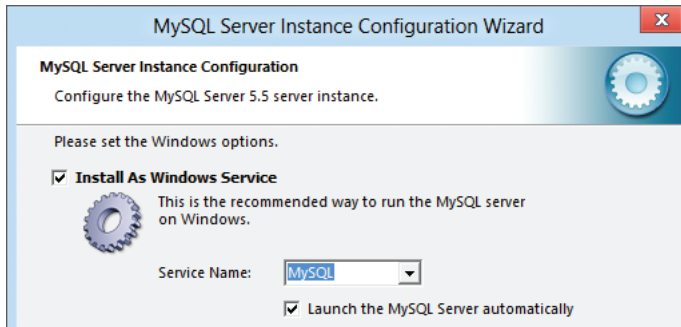
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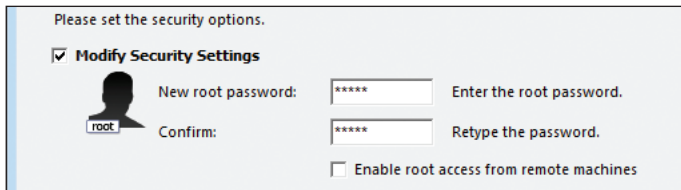
The MySQL Instance Configuration Wizard is an executable file named **MySQLInstanceConfig.exe** that is located in the MySQL **/bin** directory. Run this file to launch the wizard at any time.

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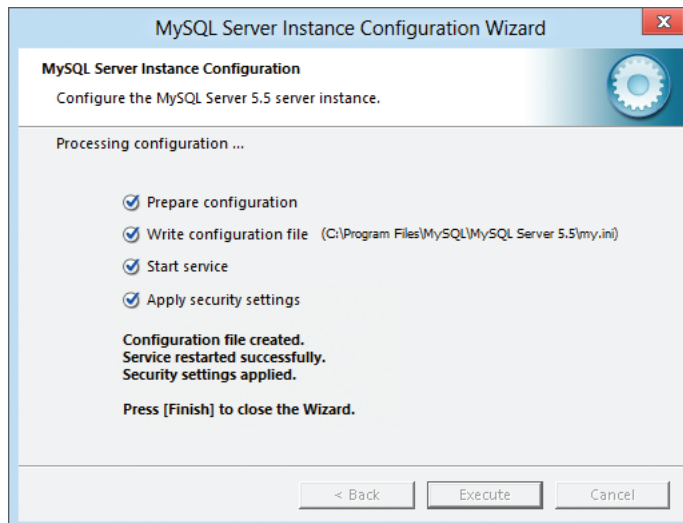
- 5 Choose to Install As Windows Service and “Launch the MySQL Server automatically” then click Next



- 6 Enter a root user password of your choice twice into the Password fields then click Next



- 7 Now click the Execute button to complete configuration of your MySQL Server instance then click Finish



**Beware**



By default the MySQL Server uses port 3306. If you are running a firewall you may need to specifically allow the MySQL Server connections via this port. Refer to your firewall documentation for further guidance.

**Hot tip**



Ensure that your MySQL Server Instance Configuration completes successfully, as shown here, before continuing. If necessary repeat the installation process.