

# How to produce xml-commons website with Apache Forrest

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## 1. Overview

This is the procedure for building the xml-commons website with Apache Forrest.

## 2. Install Forrest version 0.7 on localhost

Follow the document: [Using Forrest](#)

## 3. Edit the content

```
vi src/documentation/content/xdocs/*.xml
```

## 4. Build it and view it

```
cd xml-commons
forrest
```

which validates and builds the docs. If you want to only validate the xdocs then do 'forrest validate-xdocs'. You can get even faster turnaround for developing the docs by using 'forrest run' to run a live forrest webapp. When finished, do 'forrest' to build the full site.

## 5. Updating the website

Copy everything in ./build/site over to the xml-site repository at xml-site/targets/commons and commit.

There is a cronjob on [www.apache.org](http://www.apache.org) that does a regular cvs checkout to refresh the website.

## 6. Other notes

There are some other general notes at `xml-commons/readme-build.txt`

A project sitemap has been added at `src/documentation/sitemap.xmap` There is a hard-coded path in our sitemap to the DocBook XSL stylesheets. If that is different on your system, then tweak the `sitemap.xmap` to suit.

Try to keep our `skinconf.xml` and `forrest.properties` in sync with the Forrest "fresh-site" stuff.