

Grafana: Getting started

How to start using Grafana

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How to connect Grafana to InfluxDB v2

First, you have to be sure to have at least Grafana v7.0.0.

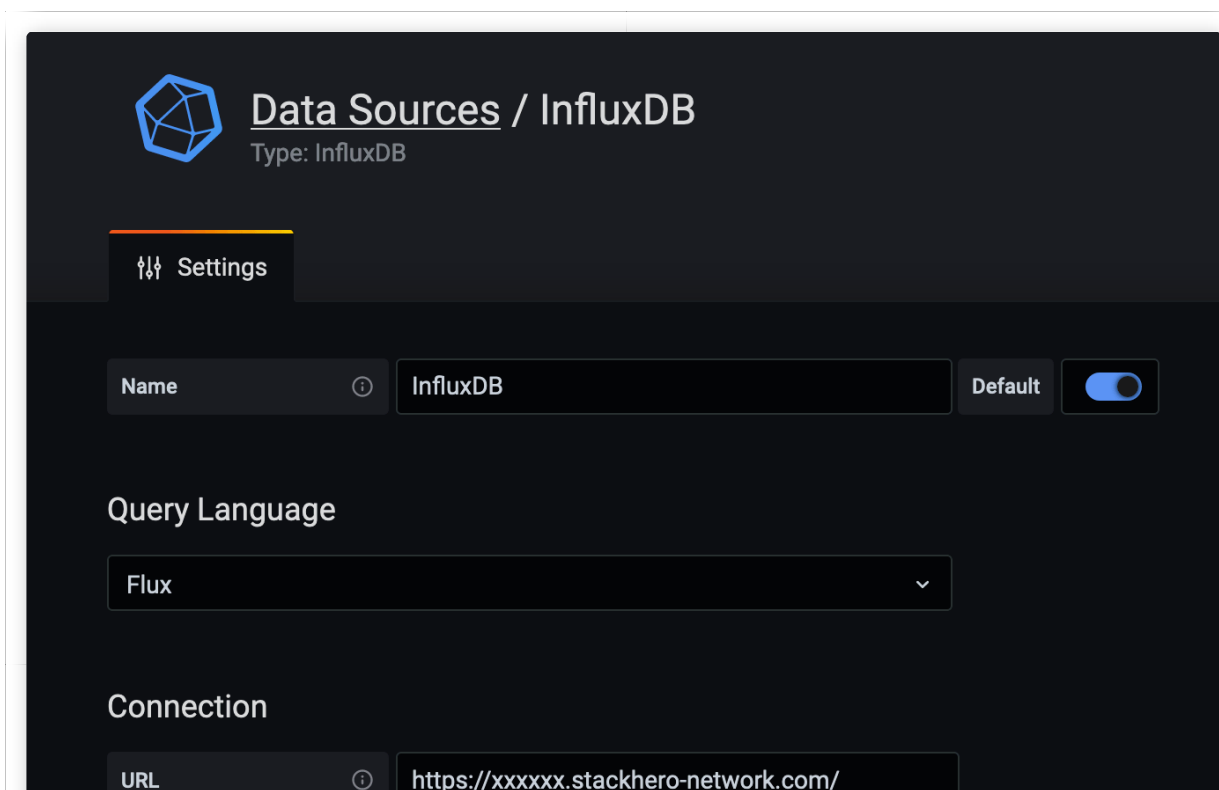
As we propose recent updates on Stackhero, you should not worry about this.

Connect to your Grafana WEB panel, then go to "Configuration" / "Data sources" / "Add a data source".

Select the data source "InfluxDB".

In "Query language", select "Flux". This is very important as you want to connect to InfluxDB **v2** which uses Flux query language.

Then fill the URL, organization and token informations (go to "InfluxDB" / "Getting started" documentation to your left to see how to create a token).



The image shows a configuration form for an InfluxDB data source. It has a dark theme. The fields are: Organization (myOrganization), Token (configured), Default Bucket (myBucket), and Min time interval (10s). There is a 'Reset' button next to the Token field. At the bottom, there are three buttons: 'Save & Test' (blue), 'Delete' (red), and 'Back' (grey).

InfluxDB data source configuration

How to add plugins to Grafana

You can add plugins available on [Grafana's marketplace](#).

Go to Stackhero dashboard and click on "Configure", "Add a plugin" and copy/paste the URL of the plugin you want to install.

For example, if you want to install the plugin "Worldmap Panel", paste the URL "<https://grafana.com/grafana/plugins/grafana-worldmap-panel>".

The image shows the 'Plugins' section of the Grafana configuration page. It has a light theme. The text says: 'To add a plugin, go to its page on <https://grafana.com/grafana/plugins/> and copy the URL here. You can add up to 20 plugins with your current plan. If you need more, you can upgrade your instance.' There is a text input field with a red asterisk and the label 'URL:' containing the URL 'https://grafana.com/grafana/plugins/grafana-worldmap-panel'. To the right of the input is a 'Remove' button with a trash icon. At the bottom right is an 'Add a plugin' button.

Example of plugin installation

Error "parse error on line 1, column 1: bare " in non-quoted-field" with InfluxDB v2

This error appears with Grafana 7.2.0.

To avoid it, go to your data sources, select "InfluxDB" and change the URL from <https://XXXXXX.stackhero-network.com/api/v2> to <https://XXXXXX.stackhero-network.com/>

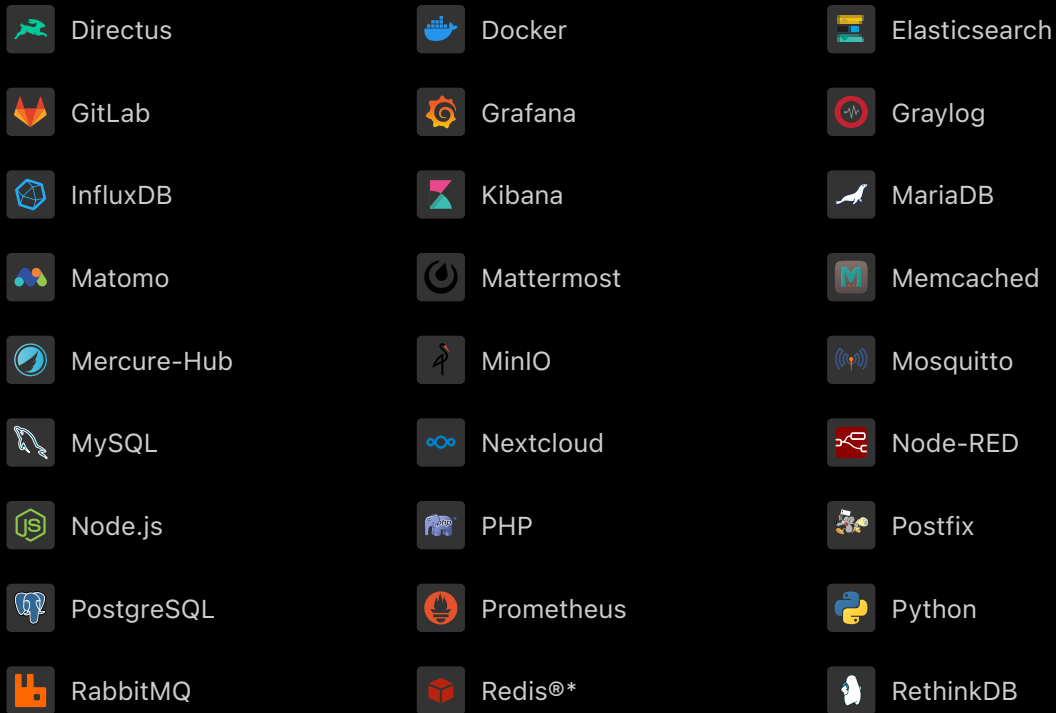
Click on "Save & test" and now it should work as expected.

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