

Making a Secure Static Web Site in Amazon S3

Info Used adding a DNS record

You need to add a record for your subdomain via your DNS provider.

CNAME record LHS

safesite

RHS

d1yzn116li1km6.cloudfront.net

Info Used Setting Up our bucket site

Bucket Name

It must match the domain you will use.

safesite.bernatchez.net

Bucket label

safe-https-site

Landing page

landing.html

Landing page content

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
  <head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
    <title>Hello World</title>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h1>safesite.bernatchez.net says hello</h1>
  </body>
</html>
```

404 page

oops.html

404 page content

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <title>Page Not Found</title>
  <style>
    body {
      font-family: Arial, sans-serif;
      background-color: #f0f0f0;
      color: #333;
      text-align: center;
      padding: 50px;
    }
    .container {
      background-color: #fff;
      padding: 30px;
      border-radius: 8px;
      box-shadow: 0 0 10px rgba(0,0,0,0.1);
      display: inline-block;
    }
    h1 {
      color: #d9534f; /* Red for error */
    }
    a {
      color: #007bff;
      text-decoration: none;
    }
    a:hover {
      text-decoration: underline;
    }
  </style>
</head>
<body>
  <div class="container">
    <h1>Oops: Page Not Found</h1>
    <p>Sorry, but the page you're looking was not found.</p>
    <p>It may have been moved, deleted, or there might be a typo in the URL.</p>
    <p>
      <a href="/">Go back to the homepage</a>
    </p>
  </div>
</body>
</html>
```

Bucket policy

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Sid": "PublicReadGetObject",
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Principal": "*",
      "Action": [
        "s3:GetObject"
      ],
      "Resource": [
        "arn:aws:s3::safesite.bernatchez.net/*"
      ]
    }
  ]
}
```

The bucket policy original resource

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/AmazonS3/latest/userguide/HostingWebsiteOnS3Setup.html>

Note: replaced "Bucket-Name" in the resource to make it "safesite.bernatchez.net"

Aws Region

US East (N. Virginia) us-east-1

Info Used For Cloudfront distribution

alternate domain name

safesite.bernatchez.net

super domain

This is where the validation email goes

bernatchez.net

original domain

safesite.bernatchez.net.s3-website-us-east-1.amazonaws.com

default route object

landing.html

Walk through

This is a walk through exercise of creating a rudimentary static web site.

- Sign in to the AWS console.
- Go to S3
- Click on create bucket.
- Supply *Bucket Name*
- Supply *Bucket label*
- Supply *Aws Region*
- Uncheck Block all public access, and acknowledge that.
- Press Create Bucket.
- Upload the *Landing page* to the bucket.
- Upload the *404 page* to the bucket.
- **Enable static website**
 - Press **Properties**
 - Go down to static website hosting and press **Edit**
 - press **enable**
 - Supply *Landing page* for index document value
 - Supply *404 page* for error page value
 - Press **Save Changes**
- **Attach a Bucket Policy**
 - Press **Permissions**
 - Press **Edit** bucket policy. and Paste *Bucket policy*.
 - Press **Save**
- Get an SSL certificate
 - Search for certificate manager in our console
 - Click on Certificat Manager
 - Click on Request Certificate
 - Public certificate. Next.
 - For fully qualified domain name put in: *Bucket Name*
 - Use email validation.
 - Validation domain is where the email will go. Use : *super domain*
 - Add a tag pair such as : "certify", *bucket name*
 - Press request You get a successfully requested certificate, status is pending validation.
 - You will receive an email you need to follow instructions to validate. Your certificate validation will change to issued.

- Login to you DNS server and add a record:
 - *LHS CNAME RHS*
- Try it out in browser to make sure it is working (without https) *Bucket Name* should yield our hello page
Bucket Name/foo.html should yield our error page
- Cloudfront distribution
 - Go to cloud front and press create cloudfront distribution
 - Choose previous create distribution page. I cant seem to find how to add an alternate with the current one.
 - Again following the advice, use the amazon url instead of ours as the original domain.
 - Enable redirect http to https
 - Add alternate domain name:
 - Choose the ssl certificate
 - Default route object
 - Create distribution

The cloudfront distribution set up was not working for me. I spent days trying to find other ways of achieving the same thing, using other services, looking for reverse proxy as a service to use instead. Until I realized that I had supplied to wrong value for RHS above. I gave the domain of the http bucket, what I need to give it was the domain of the cloudfront distribution. DOH! When I fixed that it all worked like a charm.