

# How do I create SSH keys on Mac?

Instructions on how to create SSH keys on a Mac.

1. Open the Terminal window
2. Run the command

```
ssh-keygen -b 4096 -t rsa
```

3. In the **Enter file in which to save the key** prompt enter the same text in the parenthesis but change `id_rsa` to your `username_phs`. That way it is identifiable

Ex:

```
Enter file in which to save the key (/home/youruser/.ssh/id_rsa):  
/home/youruser/.ssh/username_phs
```

4. In the **Enter passphrase** prompt, give it a strong password. You will need this to log into the server
5. Confirm your passphrase
6. Type the following command and email me the text that it sends you:

Remember to change `youruser` to your mac username.

```
cat /home/youruser/.ssh/username_phs.pub
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