Read the Docs Documentation

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Are you new to software documentation or are you looking to use your existing docs with Read the Docs? Learn about documentation authoring tools such as Sphinx and MkDocs to help you create fantastic documentation for your project.

• Getting started: With Sphinx | With MkDocs

• Importing your existing documentation: Import guide

1.1 Getting Started with Sphinx

Sphinx is a powerful documentation generator that has many great features for writing technical documentation including:

- Generate web pages, printable PDFs, documents for e-readers (ePub), and more all from the same sources
- You can use reStructuredText or Markdown to write documentation
- · An extensive system of cross-referencing code and documentation
- Syntax highlighted code samples
- A vibrant ecosystem of first and third-party extensions

1.1.1 Quick start video

This screencast will help you get started or you can read our guide below.

1.1.2 Quick start

Assuming you have Python already, install Sphinx: