

As a package in an existing Laravel app

Getting a license

If you already have a Laravel 10 application, you can install Mixpost as a package inside it.

To install Mixpost, you'll need to [get a license](#) first.

Installation via Composer

First, add the `packages.inovector.com` repository to your `composer.json`.

```
"repositories": [  
  {  
    "type": "composer",  
    "url": "https://packages.inovector.com"  
  }  
],
```

Next, you need to create a file called `auth.json` and place it either next to the `composer.json` file in your project or the composer home directory. Using this command, you can determine the composer home directory on *nix machines.

```
composer config --list --global | grep home
```

This is the content you should put in `auth.json`:

```
{  
  "http-basic": {  
    "packages.inovector.com": {  
      "username": "<YOUR-MIXPOST.APP-ACCOUNT-EMAIL-ADDRESS-HERE>",
```

```
        "password": "<YOUR- LICENSE- KEY- HERE>"
    }
}
}
```

To validate if Composer can read your `auth.json` you can run this command:

```
composer config --list --global | grep packages.inovector.com
```

If you did everything correctly, the above command should display your credentials. If that command doesn't display anything, verify that you created an `auth.json` as mentioned above.

With this configuration in place, you'll be able to install the package into your Laravel project using this command:

```
composer require inovector/mixpost-pro-team "^2.0"
```

After installing the Mixpost package, you may execute:

```
php artisan mixpost:install
```

To ensure that assets get republished each time Mixpost is updated, we strongly advise you to add the following command to the `post-update-cmd` of the `scripts` section of your `composer.json`.

```
"scripts": {
    "post-update-cmd": [
        "@php artisan mixpost:publish-assets --force=true"
    ]
}
```

Mixpost uses [Job Batching](#) and you should create a database migration to build a table to contain meta-information about your job batches.

If your application does not yet have this table, it may be generated using the:

```
php artisan queue:batches-table
```

Run the migrations with:

```
php artisan migrate
```

To make media files (images & videos) accessible from the web you should create a symbolic link from `public/storage` to `storage/app/public`

```
php artisan storage:link
```

You can publish the config file with:

```
php artisan vendor:publish --tag=mixpost-config
```

Mixpost has the ability to generate images from video while uploading a video file. This would not be possible without FFmpeg installed on your server. You need to follow FFmpeg installation instructions on their [official website](#).

After installation, depending on the operating system, you need to set the `ffmpeg_path` and `ffprobe_path` in the Mixpost config file.

Default folder path: `/usr/bin/`. If FFmpeg is there, there is no need to change it.

```
/*
 * FFmpeg & FFProbe binaries paths, only used if you try to generate video thumbnails
 */
'ffmpeg_path' => env('FFMPEG_PATH', '/usr/bin/ffmpeg'),
'ffprobe_path' => env('FFPROBE_PATH', '/usr/bin/ffprobe'),
```

Or, you can set them in your `.env` file

```
FFMPEG_PATH=/usr/bin/ffmpeg
FFPROBE_PATH=/usr/bin/ffprobe
```

Error Reporting

Mixpost utilizes its unique internal exception handler rather than the default "**App\Exceptions\ExceptionHandler**". To integrate external error reporting tools with your Mixpost setup, you should use the "**Mixpost::report**" method. Generally, this method is called from the register method of your app's "**App\Providers\AppServiceProvider**" class:

```
use Inovector\Mixpost\Mixpost;
use Sentry\Laravel\Integration;

Mixpost::report(function($exception) {
    Integration::captureUnhandledException($exception);
});
```

Install Horizon

Mixpost handles various tasks in a queued way via [Laravel Horizon](#). If your application doesn't have Horizon installed yet, follow [their installation instructions](#).

After Horizon is installed, don't forget to set `QUEUE_CONNECTION` in your `.env` file to `redis`.

`config/horizon.php` should have been created in your project. In this config file, you must add a block named `mixpost-heavy` to both the `production` and `local` environment.

```
'environments' => [
    'production' => [
        'supervisor-1' => [
            'maxProcesses' => 10,
            'balanceMaxShift' => 1,
            'balanceCooldown' => 3,
        ],
        'mixpost-heavy' => [
            'connection' => 'mixpost-redis',
            'queue' => ['publish-post'],
            'balance' => 'auto',
            'processes' => 8,
            'tries' => 1,
            'timeout' => 60 * 60,
        ],
    ],
    'local' => [
        'supervisor-1' => [
            'maxProcesses' => 3,
        ],
        'mixpost-heavy' => [
            'connection' => 'mixpost-redis',
            'queue' => ['publish-post'],
            'balance' => 'auto',
            'processes' => 3,
            'tries' => 1,
            'timeout' => 60 * 60,
        ],
    ],
]
```

```
    ],  
  ],
```

In the `config/queue.php` file you must add the `mixpost-redis` connection:

```
'connections' => [  
  
    // ...  
  
    'mixpost-redis' => [  
        'driver' => 'redis',  
        'connection' => 'default',  
        'queue' => env('REDIS_QUEUE', 'default'),  
        'retry_after' => 11 * 60,  
        'block_for' => null,  
    ],  
],
```

Don't forget to run `php artisan horizon`. In production, you need a way to keep your `horizon` processes running. For this reason, you need to configure a process monitor [Supervisor](#) that can detect when your `horizon` processes exit and automatically restart them.

Example of supervisor config:

```
[program: mixpost_horizon]  
process_name=%(program_name)s  
command=php /path-to-your-project/artisan horizon  
autostart=true  
autorestart=true  
user=your_user_name  
stopwaitsecs=3600
```

Schedule the commands

In the console kernel (`app/Console/Kernel.php`), you should schedule these commands:

```
protected function schedule(Schedule $schedule)  
{  
    // ...  
    \Inovector\Mixpost\Schedule::register($schedule);  
}
```

```
$schedule->command(' horizon: snapshot' )->everyFiveMinutes();  
$schedule->command(' queue: prune-batches' )->daily();  
}
```

Don't forget to add a cron that runs the scheduler:

```
* * * * cd /path-to-your-project && php artisan schedule:run >> /dev/null 2>&1
```

Visit the UI

After performing all these steps, you should be able to visit the Mixpost UI at /mixpost.

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