

To enable debug logging of the Docker daemon use the following the steps:

1. Edit `/etc/docker/daemon.json`, setting `"debug": true`. If this file does not exist, it should look like this when complete:

```
{
  "debug": <^>true<^^>
}
```

2. Send a `SIGHUP` signal to the Docker daemon, triggering it to reload its configuration without restarting the process.

```
sudo kill -SIGHUP $(pidof dockerd)
```

3. (optional) To check that the configuration has been applied, check `docker info`. If debug is enabled, the output will show `Debug Mode (server): true`.

```
docker info | grep -i debug.*server
```

To disable debug logging, perform both steps again, setting `"debug": <^>false<^^>`.

This process works on all supported versions of Linux. Refer to the [Compatibility Matrix](https://success.docker.com/Policies/Compatibility_Matrix) (https://success.docker.com/Policies/Compatibility_Matrix) for a list of specific versions.

The product documentation for this procedure can be found [in the Docker docs](https://docs.docker.com/engine/admin/#enable-debugging) (<https://docs.docker.com/engine/admin/#enable-debugging>).