

# SpringBootLibrarySphinx

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# SpringBootLibrary Documentation

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Welcome to the **SpringBootLibrary** technical documentation portal. This site aggregates all documentation artifacts generated for the project, including architectural guides, Javadoc API reference, test reports, and code quality reports.

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# Project Overview

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## Purpose

**SpringBootLibrarySphinx** is an exemplary Spring Boot application developed for the **SPQ (Software Process and Quality)** subject. It demonstrates best practices in:

- RESTful API design with Spring Boot
- Layered MVC architecture
- Automated testing (unit, integration, performance)
- CI/CD pipelines with GitHub Actions
- Code quality tooling (JaCoCo, PMD, Checkstyle, JDepend)
- Technical documentation (Doxygen, Maven Site, **Sphinx**)

The application models a **library borrowing system** where users can borrow and return books through a shared platform.

## Key Features

Feature	Technology
REST API backend	Spring Boot 3.4, Spring MVC
Database ORM	Spring Data JPA + Hibernate
Database	MySQL (prod), H2 (test)
API docs (interactive)	Springdoc OpenAPI / Swagger UI
Unit tests	JUnit 5 + Mockito
Integration tests	Spring Boot Test + MySQL
Performance tests	JUnitPerf
Code coverage	JaCoCo
Static analysis	PMD, Checkstyle, JDepend
Containerisation	Docker + Docker Compose
Technical docs	Doxygen, Maven Site, Sphinx

## Live Documentation Links

Document	URL
Landing page	<a href="https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/">https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/</a>
This Sphinx hub	<a href="https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/sphinx/index.html">https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/sphinx/index.html</a>
Sphinx PDF	<a href="https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/sphinx/SpringBootLibrarySphinx.pdf">https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/sphinx/SpringBootLibrarySphinx.pdf</a>
Javadoc	<a href="https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/site/apidocs/index.html">https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/site/apidocs/index.html</a>
JaCoCo coverage	<a href="https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/site/jacoco/index.html">https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/site/jacoco/index.html</a>
Surefire unit tests	<a href="https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/site/surefire-report.html">https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/site/surefire-report.html</a>
Performance tests	<a href="https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/site/reports/perf-report.html">https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/site/reports/perf-report.html</a>
Checkstyle	<a href="https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/site/checkstyle.html">https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/site/checkstyle.html</a>
PMD	<a href="https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/site/pmd.html">https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/site/pmd.html</a>
Doxygen	<a href="https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/doxygen/html/index.html">https://dipina.github.io/SpringBootLibrarySphinx/doxygen/html/index.html</a>
Swagger UI	<a href="http://localhost:8080/swagger-ui.html">http://localhost:8080/swagger-ui.html</a> (local only)

## Repository Structure

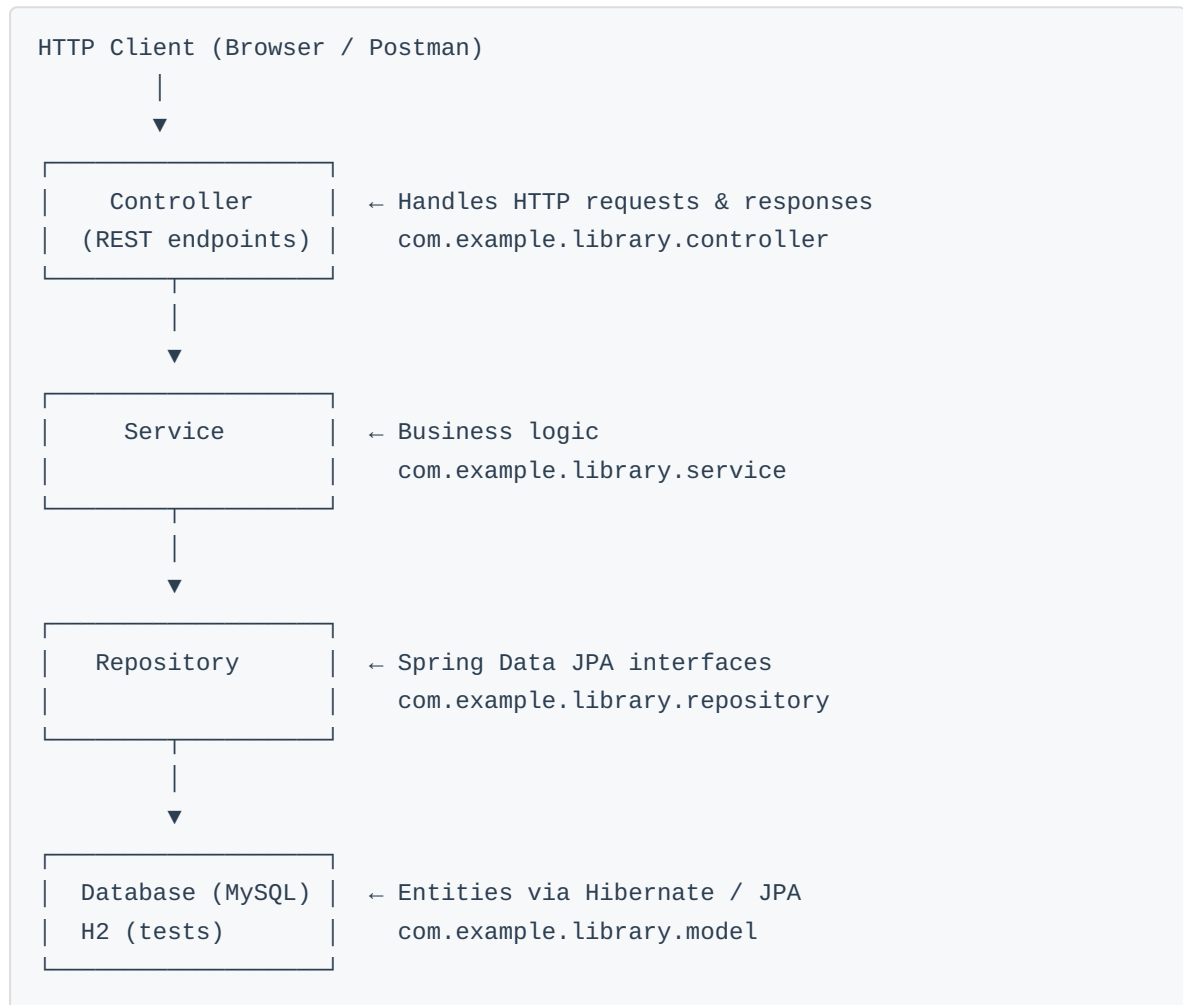
```
SpringBootLibrarySphinx/
├── .github/workflows/
│   ├── sphinx-docs.yml           ← Sphinx + PDF → GitHub Pages
│   └── maven-site-integration.yml ← Build, test, Maven site → GitHub Pages
├── docs-sphinx/                  ← All Sphinx source files
│   ├── index.html                ← Landing page (committed, readable
HTML)
│   ├── Makefile                  ← Linux/macOS build
│   ├── make.bat                  ← Windows build
│   ├── requirements.txt          ← Python dependencies
│   └── source/
│       ├── conf.py
│       ├── index.rst
│       ├── overview.md
│       ├── architecture.md
│       ├── getting_started.md
│       ├── testing.md
│       ├── reports.md
│       ├── api_rest.md
│       ├── javadoc_link.md
│       ├── cicd.md
│       ├── docker.md
│       └── sphinx_101.md
├── src/                          ← Java source code
├── pom.xml                        ← Maven build
└── README.md
```

# Architecture

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## MVC Pattern

SpringBootLibrary follows the classic **Model-View-Controller (MVC)** pattern, adapted for a REST API:



## Package Structure

Package	Responsibility
<code>controller/</code>	REST endpoints — <code>BookController</code> , <code>BorrowingController</code> , <code>UserController</code>
<code>service/</code>	Business logic — <code>BookService</code> , <code>BorrowingService</code> , <code>UserService</code>
<code>repository/</code>	JPA repositories — CRUD + custom queries
<code>model/</code>	JPA entities — <code>Book</code> , <code>Borrowing</code> , <code>User</code>

## Key Design Decisions

**Spring Data JPA** is used for the persistence layer. Repository interfaces extend `JpaRepository` , providing standard CRUD operations without boilerplate code.

**H2 in-memory database** is activated automatically in the `test` Spring profile, so unit and integration tests run without requiring a real MySQL instance (except when using `@SpringBootTest` with the `integration` Maven profile, which spins up a MySQL Docker container via GitHub Actions).

**Springdoc OpenAPI** auto-generates an interactive Swagger UI from the controller annotations at runtime, always reflecting the current API surface.

## Static Resources

The frontend is a plain HTML + JavaScript + CSS single-page application located at:

```
src/main/resources/static/  
├─ index.html  
├─ app.js  
└─ style.css
```

It communicates with the backend over REST, keeping the view layer decoupled from the server.

# Getting Started

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## Prerequisites

Tool	Minimum Version
Java (JDK)	17
Maven	3.9
MySQL	8.0
Docker & Docker Compose	24+ (optional)

## Database Setup

```
mysql -u root -p < src/main/resources/dbsetup.sql
```

Then update `src/main/resources/application.properties` with your database credentials:

```
spring.datasource.url=jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/libraryapidb
spring.datasource.username=<your_user>
spring.datasource.password=<your_password>
```

## Running the Application

```
# Build and run (all checks)
mvn clean install
mvn spring-boot:run

# Skip tests for a fast start
mvn -DskipTests spring-boot:run
```

Access points once running:

Endpoint	URL
Frontend UI	http://localhost:8080
Swagger UI	http://localhost:8080/swagger-ui.html
OpenAPI JSON	http://localhost:8080/v3/api-docs

## Running with Docker

```
# Start all services (app + MySQL)
docker-compose up

# Rebuild after Dockerfile changes
docker-compose up --build
```

## Quick Reference: Maven Commands

Goal	Command
Unit tests	<code>mvn test</code>
Integration tests	<code>mvn -Pintegration integration-test</code>
Performance tests	<code>mvn -Pperformance integration-test</code>
JaCoCo coverage report	<code>mvn clean test jacoco:report</code>
Full Maven site	<code>mvn clean verify site</code>
Publish docs to docs/	<code>mvn post-site</code>
Build Sphinx docs	<code>cd docs-sphinx &amp;&amp; make html</code>

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# Testing Strategy

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The project applies a three-tier testing strategy, each with its own Maven profile and tooling.

## Unit Tests

**Framework:** JUnit 5 + Mockito

**Location:** `src/test/java/com/example/library/` (excluding `integration/` and `performance/`)

**Command:**

```
mvn test
```

Unit tests mock all external dependencies (database, other services) and run in-process using the H2 in-memory database. They are fast and should run on every commit.

Key test classes:

- `BookServiceTest` — validates book availability, add/remove logic
- `UserServiceTest` — validates user registration and lookup
- `BorrowingServiceTest` — validates borrow/return business rules

## Integration Tests

**Framework:** Spring Boot Test ( `@SpringBootTest` ) + real MySQL

**Location:** `src/test/java/com/example/library/integration/`

**Maven profile:** `integration`

**Command:**

```
mvn -Pintegration integration-test
```

Integration tests start the full Spring context against a live database. In CI they rely on the MySQL Docker service defined in the GitHub Actions workflow.

## Performance Tests

**Framework:** JUnitPerf

**Location:** `src/test/java/com/example/library/performance/`

**Maven profile:** `performance`

**Command:**

```
mvn -Pperformance integration-test
```

Performance tests annotate methods with `@JUnitPerfTest` to define throughput and latency thresholds. The generated HTML report is saved to `target/reports/perf-report.html`.

## Code Coverage

**Tool:** JaCoCo

**Minimum line coverage enforced:** 25 %

```
mvn clean test jacoco:report # generates target/site/jacoco/index.html
mvn clean verify            # enforces the coverage threshold
```

The JaCoCo report is included in the Maven Site and embedded in the Sphinx portal.

## Static Analysis

Tool	Purpose	Report
Checkstyle	Code style conformance	<code>target/site/checkstyle.html</code>
PMD	Static bug-pattern detection	<code>target/site/pmd.html</code>
CPD (via PMD)	Copy-paste detection	<code>target/site/cpd.html</code>
JDepend	Package coupling metrics	<code>target/site/jdepend-report.html</code>

All static-analysis reports are produced during `mvn site`.

# Test & Quality Reports

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All reports are generated automatically by the CI/CD pipeline on every push to `main` and published to GitHub Pages alongside the Sphinx portal.

## Javadoc API Reference

Generated by `maven-javadoc-plugin` during `mvn site`.

Note

→ [Open Javadoc](#)

## JaCoCo — Code Coverage

Note

→ [JaCoCo Coverage Report](#)

Minimum enforced: **25 % line coverage** via `mvn verify`.

## Surefire — Unit Test Report

Note

→ [Surefire Unit Test Report](#)

## Performance Tests

Note

→ [Performance Report](#)

Generated by the `performance` Maven profile ( `mvn -Pperformance integration-test` ), then copied into `target/site/reports/` before `mvn site` runs.

## Checkstyle

Note

→ [Checkstyle Report](#)

## PMD — Static Analysis

Note

→ [PMD Report](#)

→ [CPD \(Copy-Paste Detector\)](#)

## JDepend — Package Metrics

Note

→ [JDepend Report](#)

## Doxygen

Note

→ [Doxygen HTML Reference](#)

## Complete path map

Report	Published path on GitHub Pages	Generated by
Javadoc	<code>site/apidocs/index.html</code>	<code>maven-javadoc-plugin</code> in <code>&lt;reporting&gt;</code>
JaCoCo	<code>site/jacoco/index.html</code>	<code>mvn test jacoco:report</code>
Surefire	<code>site/surefire-report.html</code>	<code>surefire-report-plugin</code> <code>report</code> goal
Performance	<code>site/reports/perf-report.html</code>	<code>mvn -Pperformance integration-test</code>
Checkstyle	<code>site/checkstyle.html</code>	<code>mvn site</code>
PMD	<code>site/pmd.html</code>	<code>mvn site</code>
CPD	<code>site/cpd.html</code>	<code>mvn site</code>
JDepend	<code>site/jdepend-report.html</code>	<code>mvn site</code>
Doxygen	<code>doxygen/html/index.html</code>	<code>doxygen-maven-plugin</code> via <code>mvn site</code>

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## Generating All Reports Locally

```
# 1. Unit tests + JaCoCo
mvn test jacoco:report

# 2. Performance tests + copy report into site/reports/
mvn -Pperformance integration-test
mvn -Pperformance resources:copy-resources@copy-perf-report

# 3. Full Maven site (Javadoc, Checkstyle, PMD, JDepend, Surefire, JaCoCo,
Doxygen)
mvn site

# 4. Copy everything to docs/ (local preview only – not committed)
mvn post-site
```

# REST API Reference

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The API is documented interactively via **Springdoc OpenAPI** and is always in sync with the source code.

## Swagger UI (Live)

When the application is running locally:

```
http://localhost:8080/swagger-ui.html
```

The OpenAPI JSON specification can be downloaded from:

```
http://localhost:8080/v3/api-docs
```

## Endpoints Summary

### Books

Method	Path	Description
GET	/api/books	List all books
GET	/api/books/{id}	Get book by ID
POST	/api/books	Add a new book
PUT	/api/books/{id}	Update a book
DELETE	/api/books/{id}	Delete a book

## Users

Method	Path	Description
GET	/api/users	List all users
GET	/api/users/{id}	Get user by ID
POST	/api/users	Register a new user
DELETE	/api/users/{id}	Delete a user

## Borrowings

Method	Path	Description
GET	/api/borrowings	List all borrowings
POST	/api/borrowings	Borrow a book
PUT	/api/borrowings/{id}/return	Return a borrowed book
GET	/api/borrowings/user/{userId}	Get borrowings for a user

## Request / Response Examples

### Borrow a book

Request:

```
POST /api/borrowings
Content-Type: application/json
```

```
{
  "userId": 1,
  "bookId": 42
}
```

### Response 201 Created :

```
{
  "id": 7,
  "userId": 1,
  "bookId": 42,
  "borrowDate": "2025-04-20",
  "returnDate": null,
  "status": "BORROWED"
}
```

### Return a book

```
PUT /api/borrowings/7/return
```

### Response 200 OK :

```
{
  "id": 7,
  "returnDate": "2025-04-22",
  "status": "RETURNED"
}
```

# Javadoc API Documentation

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Full Javadoc is generated by `maven-javadoc-plugin` during `mvn site`.

Important

→ [Open Javadoc](#)

## Why Javadoc was missing — and the fix

Javadoc is **only generated** when `maven-javadoc-plugin` is declared inside the `<reporting><plugins>` section of `pom.xml`. Without it, `mvn site` silently skips Javadoc and `site/apidocs/` is never created.

The plugin has been added to `pom.xml` in this project. The critical block is:

```
<reporting>
  <plugins>
    <!-- This block was missing – without it mvn site skips Javadoc -->
    <plugin>
      <groupId>org.apache.maven.plugins</groupId>
      <artifactId>maven-javadoc-plugin</artifactId>
      <version>3.6.3</version>
      <reportSets>
        <reportSet>
          <reports>
            <report>javadoc</report>
          </reports>
        </reportSet>
      </reportSets>
      <configuration>
        <doclint>none</doclint>
      </configuration>
    </plugin>
    <!-- ... other reporting plugins ... -->
  </plugins>
</reporting>
```

The `<doclint>none</doclint>` flag is important — without it, any comment that doesn't conform strictly to Javadoc syntax causes the build to fail.

## Key Documented Classes

Class	Package	Description
<code>BorrowingController</code>	<code>controller</code>	REST endpoints for borrowing — includes <code>@Operation</code> (OpenAPI) annotations
<code>BookService</code>	<code>service</code>	Business logic for book inventory management
<code>Borrowing</code>	<code>model</code>	JPA entity modelling a borrowing transaction
<code>BookRepository</code>	<code>repository</code>	Spring Data JPA repository with custom query methods
<code>UserService</code>	<code>service</code>	User management operations

## Generating Javadoc Locally

```
# As part of the full Maven site (recommended – also runs all other reports)
mvn site
# Open: target/site/apidocs/index.html

# Standalone
mvn javadoc:javadoc
# Open: target/site/apidocs/index.html
```

## Javadoc vs Doxygen

Tool	Output	Strength
<b>Javadoc</b>	<code>site/apidocs/</code>	Standard Java API reference; IDE integration
<b>Doxygen</b>	<code>doxygen/html/</code>	Cross-referenced call graphs, class diagrams, richer navigation

# CI/CD with GitHub Actions

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The project ships with two GitHub Actions workflows:

Workflow file	Trigger	What it does
<code>maven-site-integration.yml</code>	Push to any branch + cron	Build, test, Maven site, deploy to Pages
<code>sphinx-docs.yml</code>	Push to <code>main</code>	Build Sphinx docs + merge into GitHub Pages

## Workflow 1: `maven-site-integration.yml`

This is the main CI/CD workflow. It:

1. Starts a MySQL 8 Docker service
2. Waits for the database to be healthy
3. Runs the DB initialisation script
4. Executes integration tests ( `-Pintegration` )
5. Generates the full Maven site (Javadoc, JaCoCo, PMD, Checkstyle, Surefire)
6. Copies all Maven site output + Doxygen into the `docs/site/` and `docs/doxygen/` sub-folders
7. Deploys the `docs/` directory to **GitHub Pages**

```

name: Maven Site & Integration Tests

on:
  push:
    branches: ['**']
  schedule:
    - cron: '0 18-23/2 * * *'
    - cron: '0 0-6/2 * * *'

jobs:
  build-and-test:
    runs-on: ubuntu-latest

    services:
      mysql:
        image: mysql:8.0
        env:
          MYSQL_ROOT_PASSWORD: root
          MYSQL_DATABASE: libraryapidb
        ports:
          - 3306:3306
        options: >-
          --health-cmd="mysqladmin ping -h 127.0.0.1 -uroot -proot"
          --health-interval=10s
          --health-timeout=5s
          --health-retries=5

    steps:
      - uses: actions/checkout@v4

      - name: Set up JDK 17
        uses: actions/setup-java@v4
        with:
          java-version: '17'
          distribution: 'temurin'

      - name: Cache Maven
        uses: actions/cache@v4
        with:
          path: ~/.m2/repository
          key: ${{ runner.os }}-maven-${{ hashFiles('**/pom.xml') }}

      - name: Wait for MySQL
        run: |

until mysqladmin ping -h 127.0.0.1 -uroot -proot --silent; do sleep 2; done

- name: Init database

```

```
run: mysql -h 127.0.0.1 -uroot -proot < src/main/resources/
dbsetup.sql

- name: Integration tests
  run: mvn -Pintegration integration-test

- name: Maven site
  run: mvn site

- name: Publish docs to GitHub Pages
  uses: peaceiris/actions-gh-pages@v4
  with:
    github_token: ${ secrets.GITHUB_TOKEN }
    publish_dir: ./docs
    destination_dir: . # serve from root of gh-pages branch
    keep_files: true # keep Sphinx output from the other workflow
```

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## Workflow 2: sphinx-docs.yml

This workflow builds the Sphinx documentation and deploys it to the `gh-pages` branch **alongside** the Maven site output, without overwriting it.

```
name: Build and Deploy Sphinx Docs

on:
  push:
    branches: [main]
  workflow_dispatch:

jobs:
  sphinx:
    runs-on: ubuntu-latest

    steps:
      - uses: actions/checkout@v4

      - name: Set up Python
        uses: actions/setup-python@v5
        with:
          python-version: '3.12'

      - name: Install Sphinx dependencies
        run: |
          pip install -r docs-sphinx/requirements.txt

      - name: Build Sphinx HTML
        run: |
          cd docs-sphinx
          make html

      - name: Deploy Sphinx to GitHub Pages (sphinx/ subfolder)
        uses: peaceiris/actions-gh-pages@v4
        with:
          github_token: ${ secrets.GITHUB_TOKEN }
          publish_dir: ./docs-sphinx/_build/html
          destination_dir: sphinx # → gh-pages/sphinx/
          keep_files: true
```

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## GitHub Pages Setup

To enable GitHub Pages for this repository:

1. Go to **Settings** → **Pages**
2. Set **Source** to `gh-pages` branch, root `/`
3. Save — the site will be live at `https://<owner>.github.io/SpringBootLibrary/`

**Permissions:** Go to **Settings** → **Actions** → **General** → **Workflow permissions** and set **Read and write permissions** so that the `GITHUB_TOKEN` can push to the `gh-pages` branch.

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## Triggering Workflows via API

```
curl -X POST \  
  https://api.github.com/repos/<owner>/SpringBootLibrary/actions/workflows/  
sphinx-docs.yml/dispatches \  
  -H "Accept: application/vnd.github+json" \  
  -H "Authorization: Bearer $PAT_TOKEN" \  
  -H "X-GitHub-API-Version: 2022-11-28" \  
  -d '{"ref": "main"}'
```

# Docker & Docker Compose

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## Quick Start

```
# Start application + MySQL (uses cached images)
docker-compose up

# Rebuild after code or Dockerfile changes
docker-compose up --build

# Run in background
docker-compose up -d

# Stop all services
docker-compose down
```

## Dockerfile

The project's `Dockerfile` packages the Spring Boot fat JAR into a lightweight JRE image:

```
FROM eclipse-temurin:17-jre-alpine
WORKDIR /app
COPY target/*.jar app.jar
EXPOSE 8080
ENTRYPOINT ["java", "-jar", "app.jar"]
```

## docker-compose.yml

The compose file wires the app container to a MySQL service, passing environment variables for the database connection:

```
version: '3.8'
services:
  app:
    build: .
    ports:
      - "8080:8080"
    environment:
      SPRING_DATASOURCE_URL: jdbc:mysql://db:3306/libraryapidb
      SPRING_DATASOURCE_USERNAME: root
      SPRING_DATASOURCE_PASSWORD: root
    depends_on:
      db:
        condition: service_healthy

  db:
    image: mysql:8.0
    environment:
      MYSQL_ROOT_PASSWORD: root
      MYSQL_DATABASE: libraryapidb
    healthcheck:
      test: ["CMD", "mysqladmin", "ping", "-h", "localhost"]
      interval: 10s
      timeout: 5s
      retries: 5
```

## VisualVM Profiling

To enable remote profiling with VisualVM, the `spring-boot-maven-plugin` is configured with:

```
<jvmArguments>-Xverify:none</jvmArguments>
```

Then run `mvn spring-boot:run` and connect VisualVM to the local JVM from the **Local** tab.

# Sphinx 101 — Complete Guide

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## What Is Sphinx?

**Sphinx** is an open-source documentation generator originally created for the Python language reference documentation (it still powers the official Python docs). Today it is widely used across languages — including Java, C++, and JavaScript projects — whenever developers need to produce structured, professional, multi-page technical documentation from plain text source files.

Sphinx takes plain text files written in **reStructuredText** ( `.rst` ) or **Markdown** ( `.md` , via the **MyST parser extension**) and generates:

- Static HTML websites (the most common output)
- PDF documents (via LaTeX)
- ePub e-books
- Man pages

The result is a maintainable, version-controlled documentation site that lives alongside the source code and can be automatically published through CI/CD.

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## What Is Sphinx Useful For?

Use Case	Why Sphinx
<b>Project portals</b>	Aggregates API docs, guides, reports, and tutorials in one navigable site
<b>API reference</b>	Can auto-import Python docstrings; for Java projects, embeds Javadoc/Doxygen links
<b>Tutorials &amp; how-tos</b>	Numbered sections, admonition boxes, code blocks with syntax highlighting
<b>Multi-version docs</b>	Tools like <code>sphinx-multiversion</code> serve docs for every tagged release
<b>Search</b>	Built-in full-text client-side search (no server needed)
<b>Cross-references</b>	<code>:ref:</code> , <code>:doc:</code> directives create typed links that break at build time if the target disappears
<b>Theming</b>	Dozens of themes ( <code>sphinx_rtd_theme</code> , <code>furo</code> , <code>pydata_sphinx_theme</code> ) give professional results instantly

## Sphinx vs. Alternatives

Tool	Primary audience	Markup	Auto-API	Best for
<b>Sphinx</b>	Python / polyglot	RST / Markdown	Python (autodoc)	Comprehensive project portals
<b>Javadoc</b>	Java	Javadoc tags	Yes (Java)	API reference only
<b>Doxygen</b>	C/C++/Java	Doxygen tags	Yes	Cross-referenced code ref
<b>MkDocs</b>	Any	Markdown	No	Simple Markdown-first sites
<b>Docusaurus</b>	JS / React	Markdown/MDX	No	Product/SaaS documentation

Sphinx shines when you need a **single portal** that combines hand-written narrative documentation, auto-generated API references, test reports, and external links — exactly the goal of this project.

## How Is Sphinx Used?

### 1. Install Sphinx

```
pip install sphinx sphinx-rtd-theme myst-parser
```

Or pin versions in a `requirements.txt` :

```
sphinx==7.4.7
sphinx-rtd-theme==2.0.0
myst-parser==3.0.1
```

## 2. Initialise a Project

```
sphinx-quickstart docs-sphinx
```

This interactive wizard creates `conf.py` (the configuration file), `index.rst` (the master table of contents), and a `Makefile`.

## 3. Source File Structure

```
docs-sphinx/
├── source/
│   ├── conf.py           ← Sphinx configuration
│   ├── index.rst        ← Master table of contents (toctree)
│   ├── overview.md      ← A page written in Markdown
│   ├── api.rst          ← A page written in reStructuredText
│   └── _static/         ← Custom CSS / images
├── Makefile             ← make html, make pdf, ...
└── requirements.txt    ← Pinned Python dependencies
```

## 4. The `toctree` Directive

The `.. toctree::` directive in `index.rst` defines the site's navigation hierarchy:

```
.. toctree::
   :maxdepth: 2
   :caption: Project Overview

   overview
   architecture
   getting_started
```

Each entry maps to a `.rst` or `.md` file. Sphinx resolves them recursively.

## 5. Build the Documentation

```
cd docs-sphinx
make html           # output → _build/html/index.html
make latexpdf      # output → _build/latex/*.pdf
make clean         # remove previous build artefacts
```

## 6. Key reStructuredText Syntax

```
Section Heading
=====

Sub-heading
-----

A paragraph with bold, italic, and inline code.

.. code-block:: java

    public class Hello {
        public static void main(String[] args) {
            System.out.println("Hello from Sphinx!");
        }
    }

.. note::
    This is an admonition – a highlighted information box.

.. warning::
    This is a warning box.
```

## 7. Markdown with MyST

With the `myst-parser` extension enabled in `conf.py`, you can write pages in Markdown:

```
# My Page

A paragraph with bold and italic.

```java
public class Hello { }
```

```{note}
This is a MyST admonition.
```

```{toctree}
:maxdepth: 2
overview
architecture
```
```

## How to Integrate Sphinx with GitHub Actions

The workflow below builds the Sphinx HTML and publishes it to the `gh-pages` branch using the `peaceiris/actions-gh-pages` action. It preserves other content already on `gh-pages` (e.g., Maven Site) via `keep_files: true`.

```

# .github/workflows/sphinx-docs.yml
name: Build and Deploy Sphinx Docs

on:
  push:
    branches: [main]
  workflow_dispatch:      # allow manual trigger

jobs:
  sphinx:
    runs-on: ubuntu-latest

    steps:
      - name: Checkout repository
        uses: actions/checkout@v4

      - name: Set up Python 3.12
        uses: actions/setup-python@v5
        with:
          python-version: '3.12'

      - name: Cache pip packages
        uses: actions/cache@v4
        with:
          path: ~/.cache/pip
          key: ${{ runner.os }}-pip-${{ hashFiles('docs-sphinx/requirements.txt') }}
          restore-keys: ${{ runner.os }}-pip-

      - name: Install Sphinx & extensions
        run: pip install -r docs-sphinx/requirements.txt

      - name: Build Sphinx HTML
        run: |
          cd docs-sphinx
          make html

      - name: Deploy to GitHub Pages (sphinx/ subfolder)
        uses: peaceiris/actions-gh-pages@v4
        with:
          github_token: ${{ secrets.GITHUB_TOKEN }}
          publish_dir: ./docs-sphinx/_build/html
          destination_dir: sphinx      # published at /sphinx/ URL path
          keep_files: true             # preserve Maven Site & Doxygen content

```

## Required Repository Settings

1. **Settings** → **Actions** → **General** → **Workflow permissions** → *Read and write permissions*
2. **Settings** → **Pages** → Source: `gh-pages` branch, folder: `/`

The Sphinx portal will then be live at:

```
https://<owner>.github.io/<repo>/sphinx/
```

---

## How This Project Uses Sphinx

### Documentation Architecture

The Sphinx portal for SpringBootLibrary is a **meta-documentation hub** — it does not duplicate content that already lives in other tools; instead it links out to the generated artefacts:

```
GitHub Pages (gh-pages branch)
├─ index.html           ← Landing page redirecting to Sphinx or Maven
site
├─ sphinx/             ← Sphinx portal (this site)
│  ├─ index.html
│  ├─ overview.html
│  ├─ testing.html
│  ├─ reports.html     ← Links to JaCoCo, Surefire, PMD reports
│  ├─ javadoc_link.html ← Links to Javadoc in site/apidocs/
│  └─ sphinx_101.html  ← This page
├─ site/              ← Maven Site (Javadoc, JaCoCo, PMD, Checkstyle ...)
│  ├─ apidocs/
│  ├─ jacoco/
│  └─ surefire-report.html
│  └─ ...
└─ doxygen/          ← Doxygen cross-referenced HTML
   └─ html/
```

## Integration Points

| External Artefact  | Where Sphinx links to it  |
|--------------------|---|
| Javadoc            | <code>javadoc_link.md</code> → <code>../site/apidocs/index.html</code>  |
| JaCoCo             | <code>reports.md</code> → <code>../site/jacoco/index.html</code>        |
| Surefire           | <code>reports.md</code> → <code>../site/surefire-report.html</code>     |
| PMD / Checkstyle   | <code>reports.md</code> → <code>../site/pmd.html</code>                 |
| Performance report | <code>reports.md</code> → <code>../site/reports/perf-report.html</code> |
| Doxygen            | <code>javadoc_link.md</code> → <code>../doxygen/html/index.html</code>  |

## Adding a New Documentation Page

1. Create `docs-sphinx/source/my_page.md`
2. Add `my_page` to the appropriate `.. toctree::` in `index.rst`
3. Push to `main` — the GitHub Actions workflow rebuilds and redeploys automatically

## Adding the `conf.py` Extensions for This Project

```
extensions = [  
    'sphinx.ext.autodoc',      # auto-import Python docstrings (optional here)  
    'sphinx.ext.viewcode',    # adds [source] links  
    'sphinx.ext.napoleon',    # Google/NumPy style docstrings  
    'myst_parser',           # Markdown .md files  
    'sphinx_rtd_theme',      # Read the Docs theme  
]
```

## Useful Sphinx Resources

| Resource                   | URL   |
|----------------------------|---|
| Official Sphinx docs       | <a href="https://www.sphinx-doc.org">https://www.sphinx-doc.org</a>   |
| MyST Markdown parser       | <a href="https://myst-parser.readthedocs.io">https://myst-parser.readthedocs.io</a>                         |
| Read the Docs theme        | <a href="https://sphinx-rtd-theme.readthedocs.io">https://sphinx-rtd-theme.readthedocs.io</a>               |
| Furo theme (modern)        | <a href="https://pradyunsg.me/furo">https://pradyunsg.me/furo</a>   |
| sphinx-multiversion        | <a href="https://holzhaus.github.io/sphinx-multiversion">https://holzhaus.github.io/sphinx-multiversion</a> |
| peaceiris/actions-gh-pages | <a href="https://github.com/peaceiris/actions-gh-pages">https://github.com/peaceiris/actions-gh-pages</a>   |