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<?php
```

```
/**
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```
* Plugin Name: Submitting plugins to the repo
```

```
* Plugin URI: samhotchkiss.com/submitplugin.pdf
```

```
* Description: AKA: Getting your ship together
```

```
* Version: 1.0b
```

```
* Author: Sam Hotchkiss
```

```
* Author URI: http://samhotchkiss.com/
```

```
* License: GPL2
```

```
*/
```

Check the basics...

- Make sure you don't have any PHP parse errors
- Test with `wp_debug` turned on
- Test with PHP 5.2 (or declare it only compatible with 5.3+)
- Make sure that debugging code is removed (don't ship var dumps...)
- Do what Mr. Parbs told you about security... in particular, make sure you're using nonces, data validation and WordPress db functions

Standard Plugin Information

http://codex.wordpress.org/Writing_a_Plugin#File_Headers

- Stores basic metadata about your plugin

```
<?php
/**
 * Plugin Name: My Plugin
 * Plugin URI: http://myplugin.com/
 * Description: My plugin does AMAZING things
 * Version: 0.1a
 * Author: Sam Hotchkiss
 * Author URI: http://samhotchkiss.com/
 * License: GPL2
 */
```

readme.txt

<http://wordpress.org/plugins/about/readme.txt>
<http://wordpress.org/plugins/about/validator/>

=== My Awesome Plugin ===

Contributors: samhotchkiss

Donate link: <http://gimmemoarcashmoney.com/>

Tags: awesome

Requires at least: 3.0.1

Tested up to: 3.4

Stable tag: trunk

License: GPLv2 or later

License URI: <http://www.gnu.org/licenses/gpl-2.0.html>

Here is a short description of the plugin. This plugin is really awesome

== Description ==

This is the long description. No limit to length, and you can use Markdown

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== Installation ==

1. Upload `plugin-name.php` to the `/wp-content/plugins/` directory
2. Activate the plugin through the 'Plugins' menu in WordPress

== Frequently Asked Questions ==

= A question that someone might have =

An answer to that question.

= What about foo bar? =

Answer to foo bar dilemma.

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== Screenshots ==

1. This screen shot description corresponds to screenshot-1.(png|jpg|jpeg|gif). Note that the screenshot is taken from the /assets directory
2. This is the second screen shot

== Changelog ==

= 1.0 =

- * A change since the previous version.
- * Another change.

= 0.5 =

- * List versions from most recent at top to oldest at bottom.

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== Upgrade Notice ==

= 1.0 =

Upgrade notices describe the reason a user should upgrade. No more than 300 characters.

= 0.5 =

This version fixes a security related bug. Upgrade immediately.

== Arbitrary section ==

You may provide arbitrary sections, in the same format as the ones above. This may be of use for extremely complicated plugins where more information needs to be conveyed that doesn't fit into the categories of "description" or "installation."

Testing sucks

Do it anyway

- Check everything one more time, then zip it up and start installing it on test sites
- Test on at least one site other than the one you used while you were developing
- Send it to your friends and ask them to help you test

Submit your baby for review

<https://wordpress.org/plugins/add/>

Plugin Name (required)

Plugin Description (required)

Plugin URL (required; must be a link to a ZIP file of the working plugin that includes a [completed readme.txt](#))

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WordPress Plugins » Requests

Please note: Your plugin request(s) below are currently pending review. You will get an email from us when we approve/reject a plugin, or if we have any questions. Please whitelist the plugins AT wordpress.org email address to ensure you receive our communications. Do **NOT** email us asking for status updates as that only serves to distract us from reviewing plugins. Sorry, we are unable to provide an estimate as to how long it may take to review a given plugin.

Currently there are 40 plugins in the review queue, 14 of which are awaiting their initial review. We appreciate your patience.

[my-amazing-plugin](#) from [Sam Hotchkiss](#) [plugin] - 2014-7-25 - [show](#)

Make sure to whitelist plugins@wordpress.org!

If they email asking for changes, you have 7 days to respond or your plugin will be rejected

Time to wait...

Let's work on your plugin page assets

- Prepare a banner:
 - banner-772x250.png & banner-1544x500.png



The screenshot shows the WordPress.org plugin page for BruteProtect. The main banner features the BruteProtect logo on the left, which consists of a stylized 'B' with a keyhole and a padlock. To the right of the logo, the text reads: "BruteProtect has guarded over 96,000 sites from more than 102 Million botnet attacks." Below this, it asks "Are you protected?" and includes the Parka logo. A red button labeled "Download Version 2.0.8.1" is positioned on the right. Below the main text, a description states: "BruteProtect is a cloud-powered Brute Force attack prevention plugin and the best protection against botnet attacks." At the bottom, there is a navigation menu with links for "Description", "Installation", "FAQ", "Screenshots", "Changelog", "Stats", "Support", "Reviews", and "Developers". A "Favorited" status is also visible.

- Prepare your screenshots

[WordPress.org Plugins] Request Approved: bruteprotect



WordPress.org

to sam

Apr 20, 2013 [Details](#)



samhotchkiss,

Your plugin hosting request has been approved.

Within one hour, you will have access to your SVN repository at

<http://plugins.svn.wordpress.org/bruteprotect/>

with your WordPress.org/bbPress.org username and password (the same one you use on the forums).

Here's some handy links to help you get started.

Using Subversion with the WordPress Plugins Directory

<http://wordpress.org/extend/plugins/about/svn/>

FAQ about the WordPress Plugins Directory

<http://wordpress.org/extend/plugins/about/faq/>

WordPress Plugins Directory readme.txt standard

Committing your Plugin

<https://wordpress.org/plugins/about/svn/>

- Create your local plugin directory

```
mkdir my-plugin
```

- Check out the WP repo

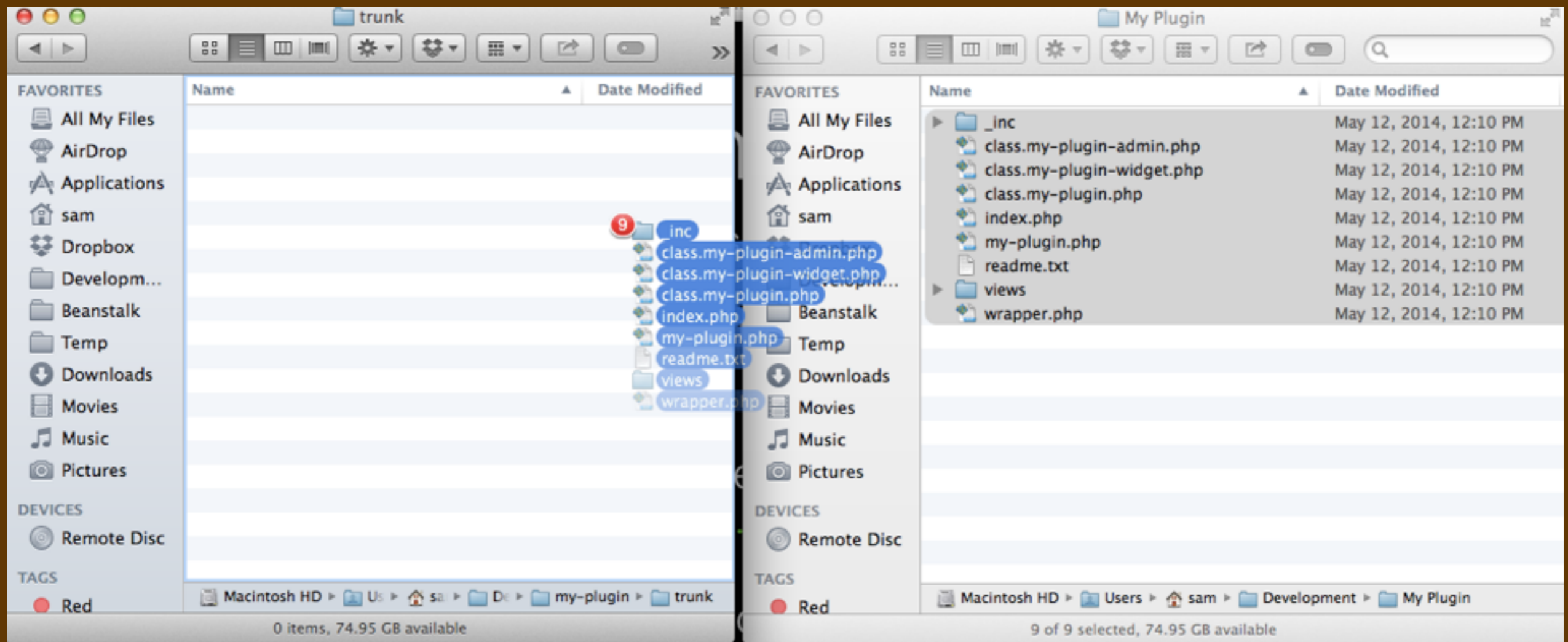
```
svn co http://plugins.svn.wordpress.org/my-plugin my-plugin
```

- Open up the trunk folder and drag and drop your plugin files in (directly)

```
open my-plugin/trunk
```


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<https://wordpress.org/plugins/about/svn/>



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- Create your assets directory

```
mkdir my-plugin/assets/
```

- Open up the assets folder and drag and drop your asset files in (directly)

```
open my-plugin/assets
```

(This is where your banners and screenshots go)

- Make it live!

```
cd my-plugin  
svn add assets  
svn add trunk/*
```

(check in)

```
svn ci -m 'First commit, yay'
```



Pro tip: Using Beanstalk to deploy updates

- To keep everyone in sync and simplify the update process, we have deployment to WordPress.org as part of our Beanstalk private repo. It pushes the files to our server via SFTP, then executes:

```
svn add * --force  
svn ci -m "Deployed by %USER_NAME%, Message: %COMMENT%, Beanstalk  
revision: %REVISION%"
```


Updating your plugin

- Update the version number in your standard headers in the main plugin file, then...

```
cd my-plugin  
svn add * --force  
svn ci -m 'Update to version 1.1'
```

This will add all files in your plugin directory to SVN recursively



Congratulations, You're
now a plugin author!

Any questions?

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