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**smtp4devpy**

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An abstraction library to access the messages captured by an [SMTP4dev](#) instance.



# CHAPTER 1

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## Installation

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Install with:

```
pip install smtp4dev
```



# CHAPTER 2

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## Dependencies

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This library depends on having a working `SMTP4Dev` server. This can either be running locally, or remotely, or in a `Docker` container.

## 2.1 Usage

A brief introduction to the basic usage of the library. See the API documentation for more details.

### 2.1.1 Client

All API connectivity is abstracted behind a client. This allows listing and retrieval of emails. Example:

```
from smtp4dev import Smtp4Dev
client = Smtp4Dev('http://localhost:8080')
messages = client.list_messages()
```

### 2.1.2 Message

*Message* is the abstraction of an Email. They contain the following properties:

- sender
- recipients
- received\_date
- subject
- body

### 2.1.3 Example usage

```
from smtp4dev import Smtp4Dev
client = Smtp4Dev('http://localhost:8080')
messages = client.list_messages()

for message in messages:
    print("from {}: {}".format(message.sender, message.subject))
```

## 2.2 API

This part of the documentation covers all the interfaces for smtp4dev.

### 2.2.1 Main Client Object

**class** `smtp4dev.Smtp4Dev(base_url)`

API client for SMTP4dev.

**get\_message** (`msg_id`)

Retrieve a specific message by ID.

**Parameters** `msg_id` – the message's pk (a UUID)

**Returns** a Message instance

**Raises** ApiError

**list\_messages** (`unread_only=False`)

List all messages in the smtp4dev inbox.

**Parameters** `unread_only` – Only retrieve the unread messages

**Returns** a generator of Message items

**Raises** ApiError

**mark\_message\_read** (`msg_id`)

Mark a message a read in the inbox.

**Parameters** `msg_id` – the message's pk (a UUID)

**Raises** ApiError

### 2.2.2 Message Object

**class** `smtp4dev.Message(pk, sender, recipients, received_date, subject, attachment_count, is_unread)`

Object representation of an email.

**static deserialize** (`msg, html=None`)

Deserialize a dict of data into a Message

**Parameters**

- `msg` – The message as JSON
- `html` – The message's body as HTML (str)

**Returns** Message

**set\_body** (*html*)

Set the message's body

**Parameters** `html` – the html body to set

### 2.2.3 Exceptions

**class** `smtp4dev.smtp4dev.ApiError`

An error during an API call

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