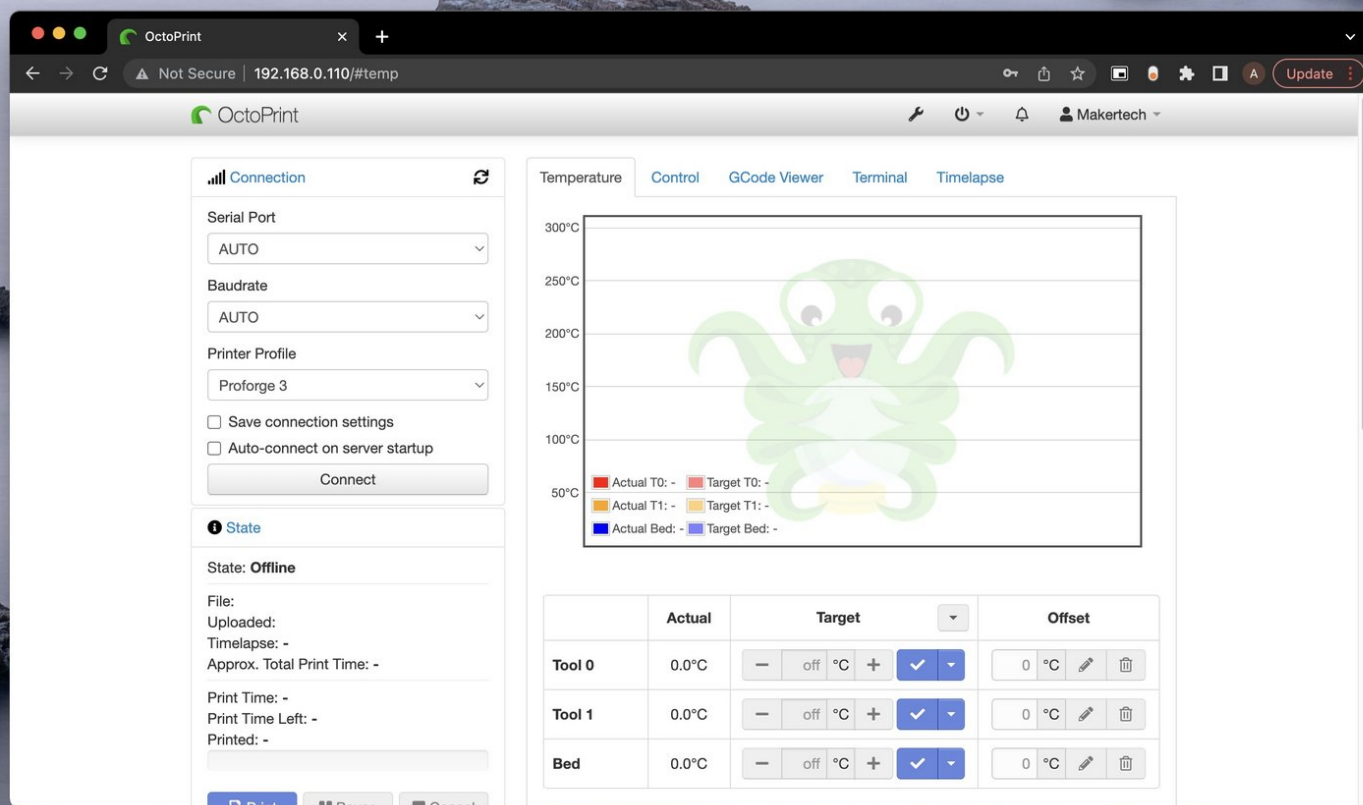# Makertech

Stage 02: Software Setup

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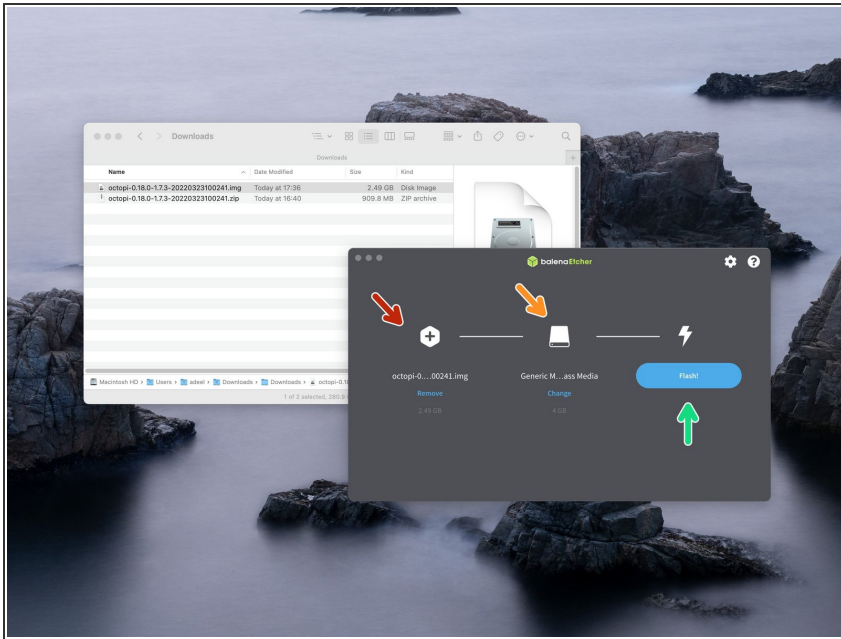Page 1 of 16

Step 1 — Downloads

ⓘ You will need to download the following:

- [OctoPi Image](#)

- [Etcher](#)

- [Notepad ++](#) ([Sublime Text](#) is a good alternative for Mac)

ⓘ On windows you will also need [7zip](#) to unpack the OctoPi file.

⚠ Newer versions of of these files/software's may have been released since the publishing of this guide but the steps outlined here should still remain valid.

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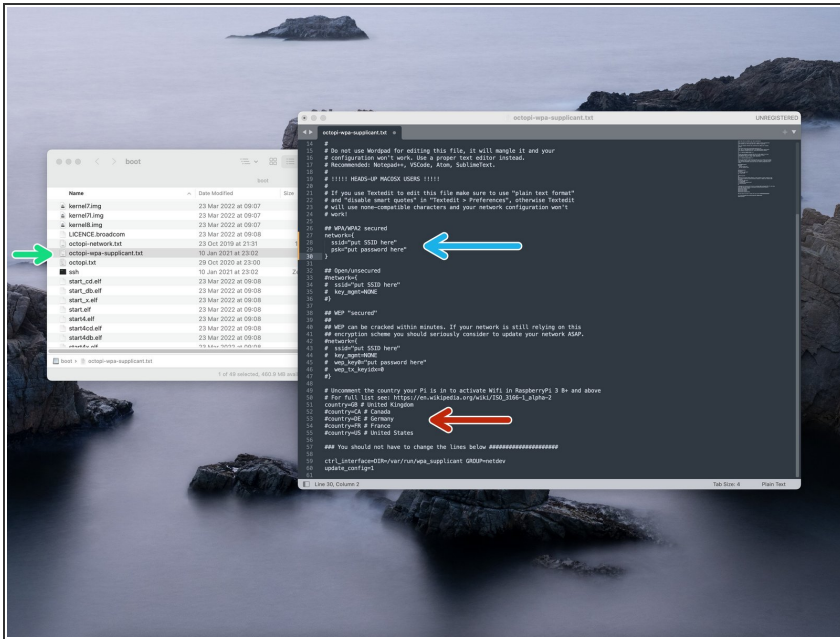
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Step 2 — Flashing the Micro SD card

- Extract the OctoPi image using 7zip to convenient location on your computer.

ⓘ Run Etcher

- Point it to the .img file that you extracted.

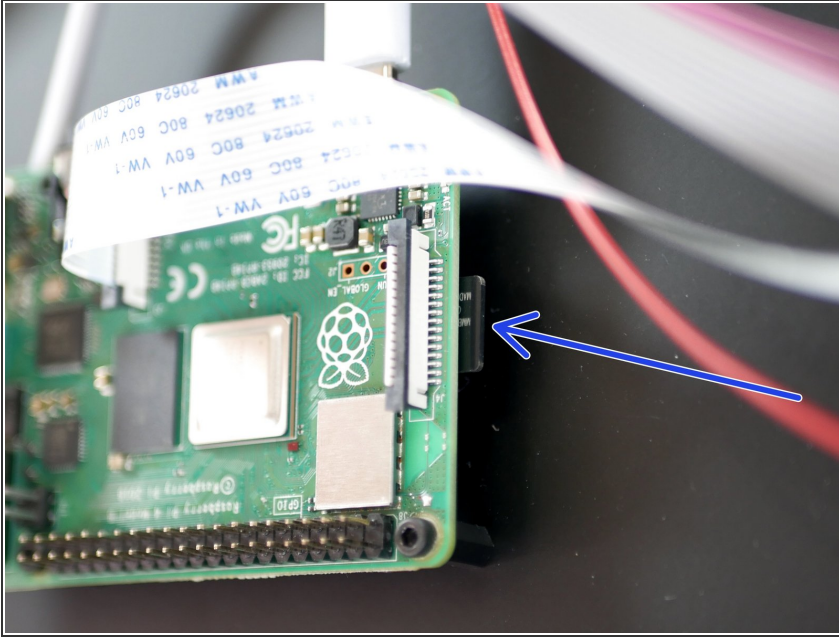- Insert the Micro SD card into your computer.

- Hit Flash! (Will take a while!)

⚠ On windows you may be asked to format the SD card after it's been flashed. **Do not** format the drive.

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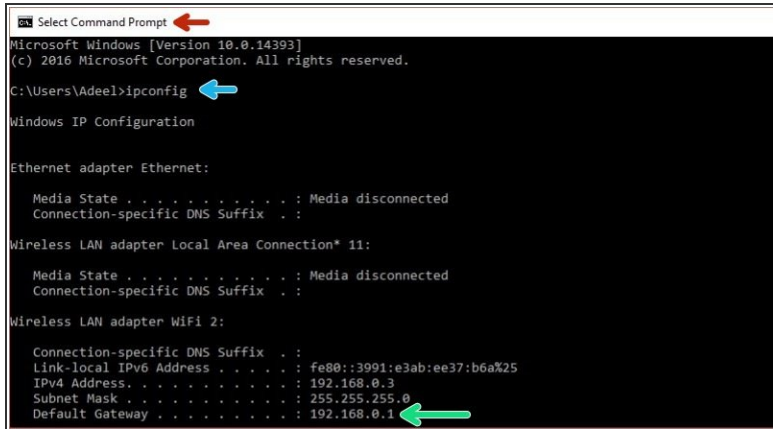makertech-3d.dozuki.com/

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Step 3 — Wi-Fi Settings

- Navigate to the flashed SD card (you may have to remove and reinsert it) and open the file named *octopi-wpa-supplicant.txt* with **Notepad++ or Sublime Text.**

- In the text editor read the instructions for the different WiFi configurations and choose the most appropriate for your network. For most this will be WPA/WPA2 security.

  - 📌 Remove the single # from the beginning of each line of your chosen configuration.

- Type in your routers SSID as it's broadcast and its password. Save and close the file.

  ⚠️ Do **not** remove the inverted commas (" ").

- Also remove the # from the beginning of your location. Use this link to find your country if not already on the list.

Step 4 — Powering up

- Insert the Micro SD card into the Raspberry Pi and power up your printer.

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Step 5 — Router IP

- On your PC open *command prompt*.

- Type *ipconfig* and hit return/enter.

- Type the Default Gateway IP address into your browser.

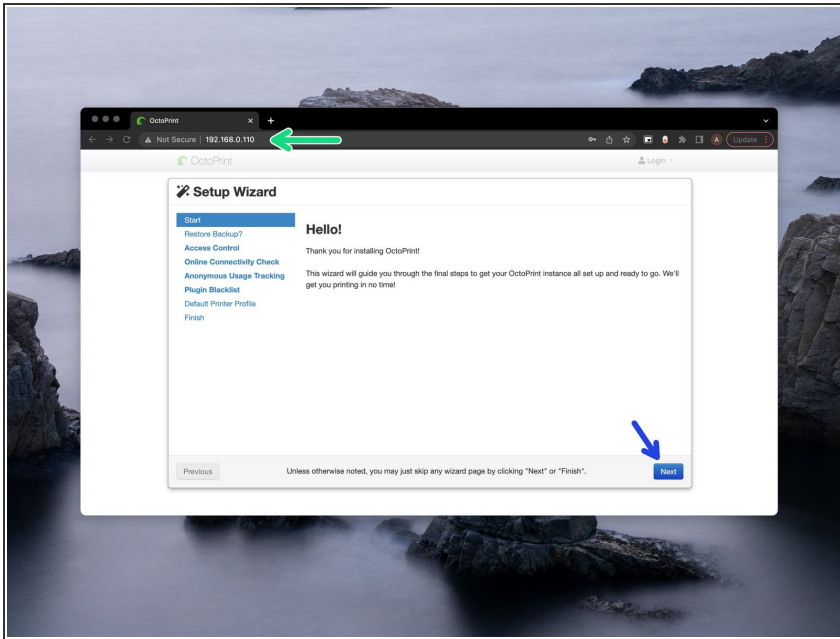- On Mac, you can find the Default Gateway IP in system preferences -> Network -> Router.

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Step 6 — OctoPi IP Address
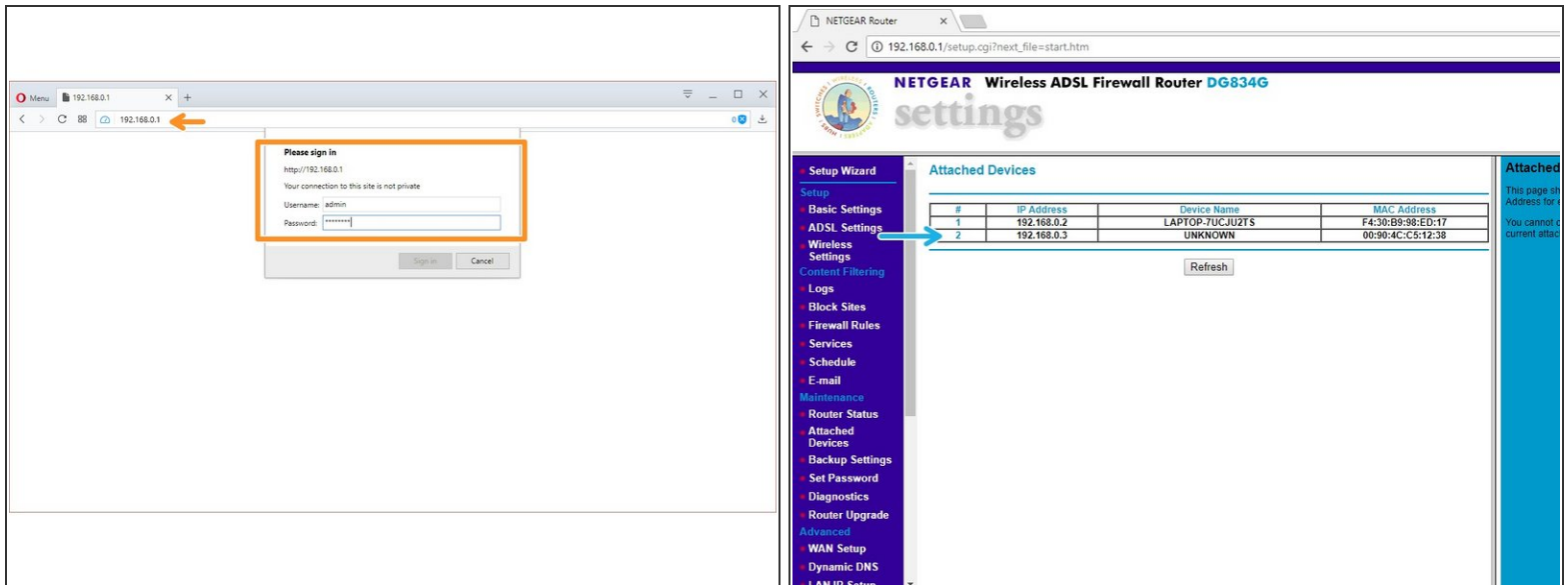
- After entering the Default Gateway IP into your browser, you will be prompted for a username and password.

  📌 The username and password can be found on the back of your router.

- On the settings page (this will vary depending on your router) find the *connected devices* page and note the OctoPi's IP address.

  📌 Make sure you are connected to the same router that you connected the Raspberry Pi to.

  📌 If you find that your routers settings page isn't loading, restart your router.

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Step 7 — OctoPrint Setup

- Type the ip address into your browser to load the OctoPrint interface.

  - 📌 An easier way to access the interface is by typing "[http://octopi.local"](http://octopi.local) . This doesn't always work however.

- ⓘ It may take a while for it to load from the first boot up, but once it does, you will be greeted with the setup wizard.
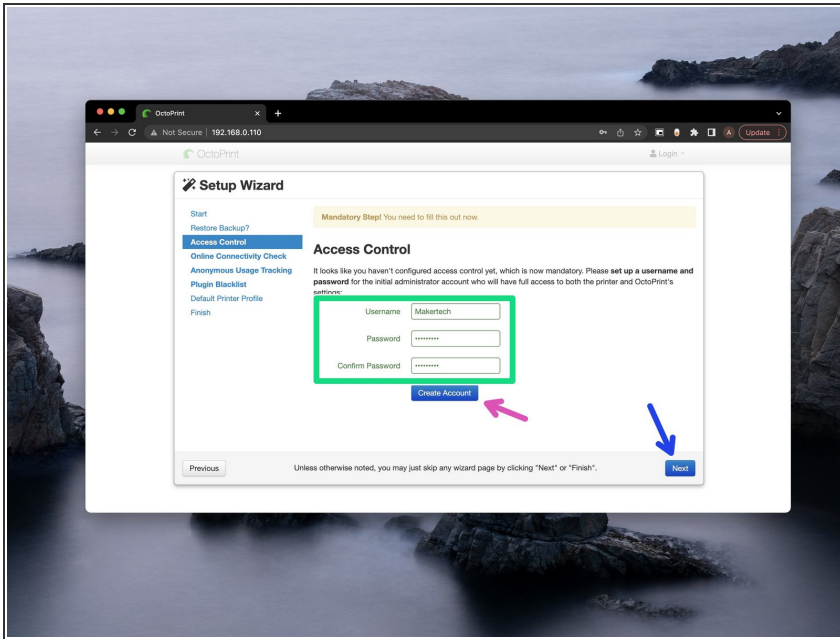
- Click *Next*

Step 8 — Restore from Backup

- Skip this step.

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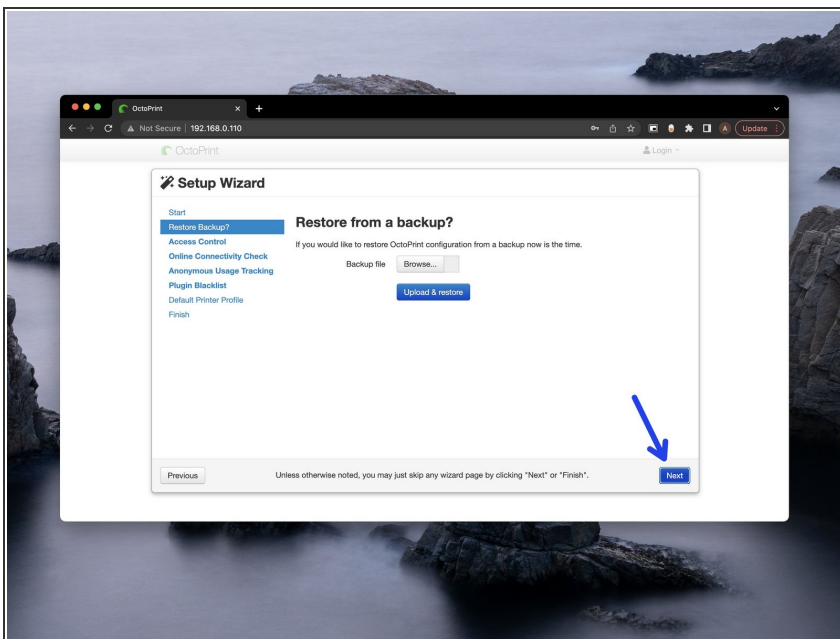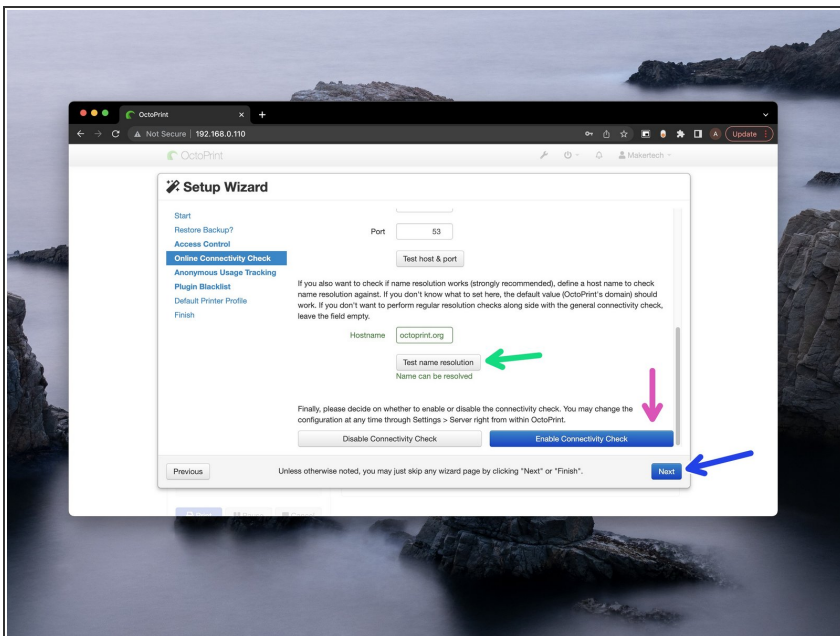
Step 9 — Access Control

- Create a Username and Password.

- Click **Create Account**

- Then click **Next**

Step 10 — Online Connectivity Check

- (i) Leave the settings as default and scroll to the bottom.

- Click **Test name resolution**
  - You should get back a **Name can be resolved** message if you're connected to the internet.

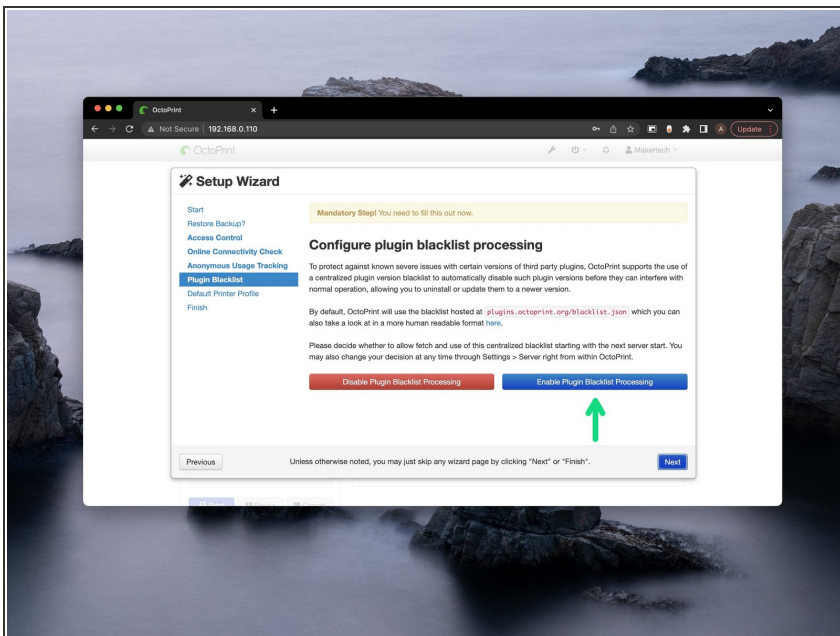- Click **Enable Connectivity Check.**

- Finally, hit **Next**.

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Step 11 — Anonymous Usage Tracking

(i) Set your privacy setting.
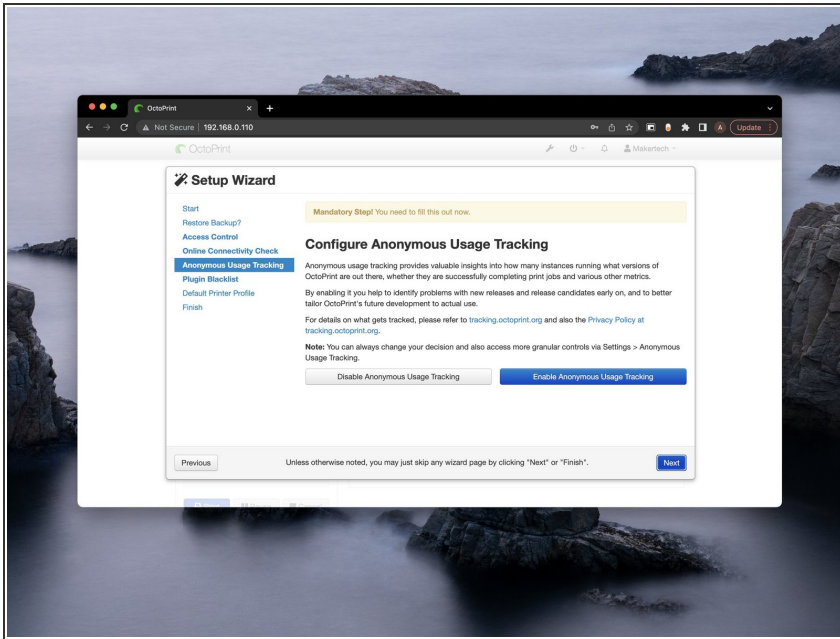
Step 12 — Plugin Blacklist

● We recommend enabling the blacklist.

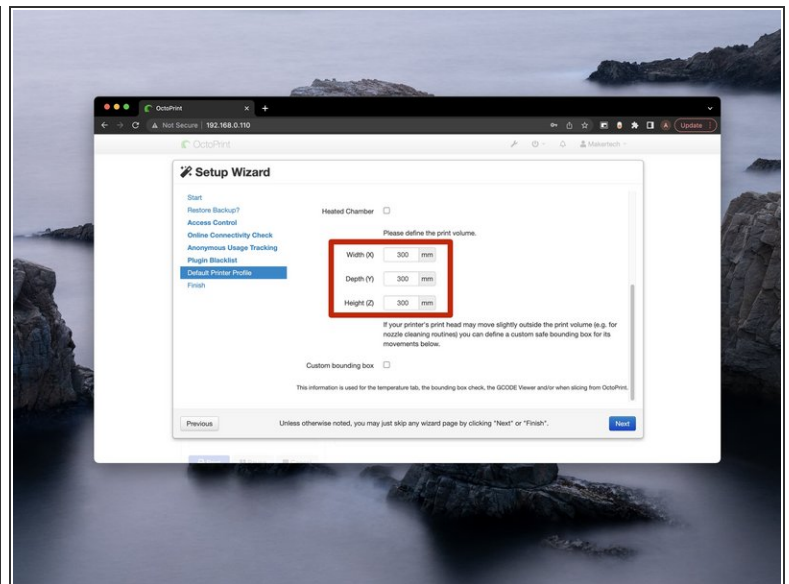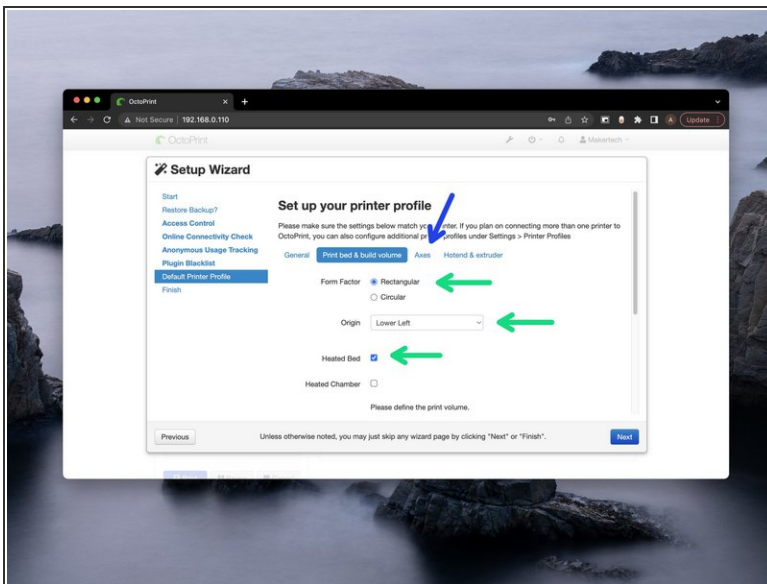This document was generated on 2022-04-24 09:22:28 AM (MST).
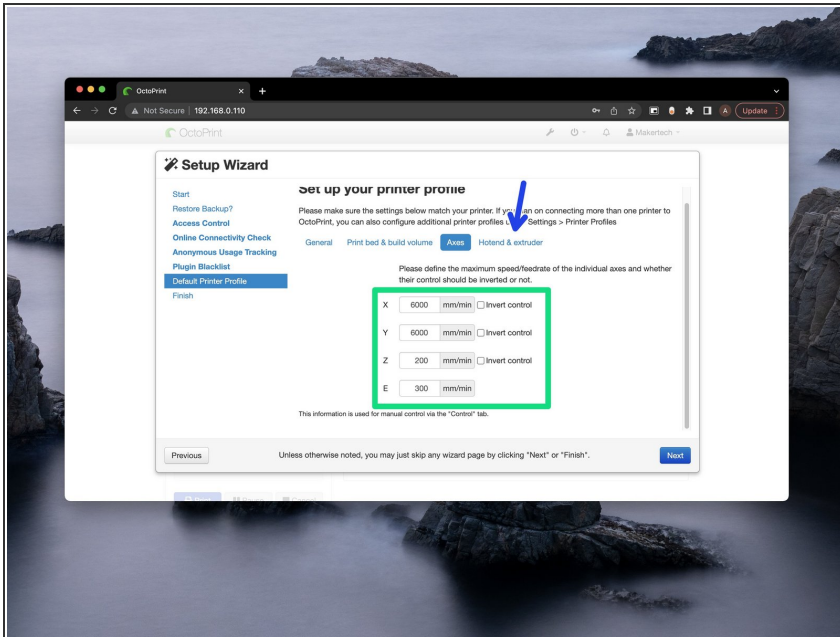
Step 13 — Printer Profile: General
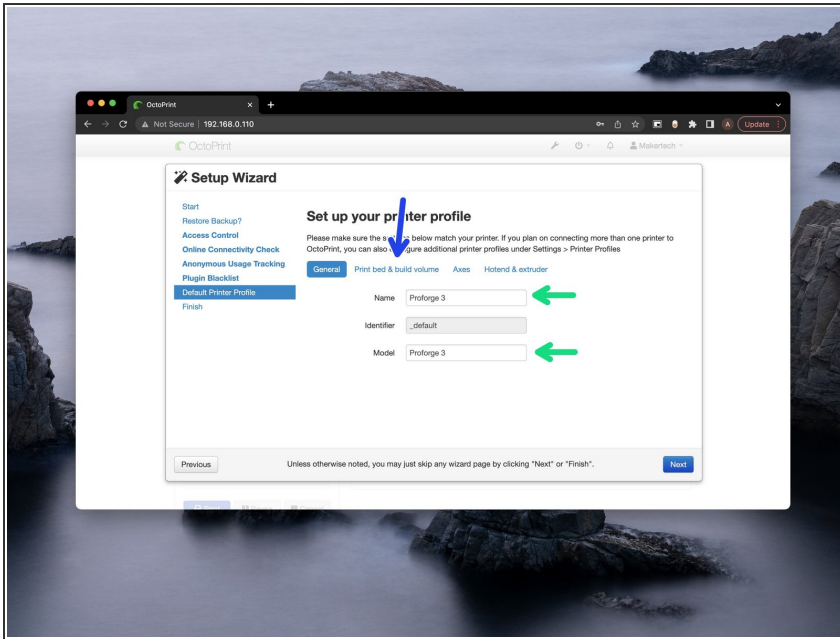
- Set your printers name.

- Next go to **Print bed & build volume**
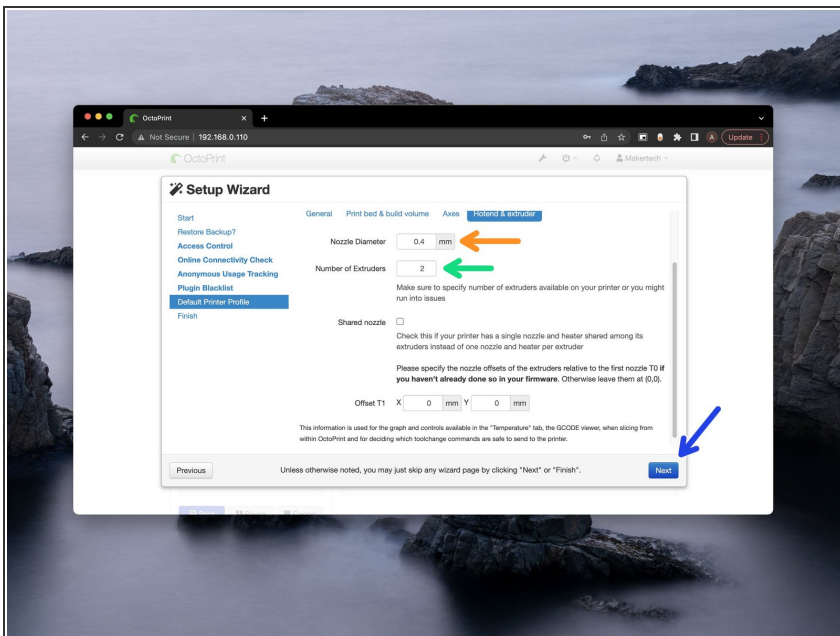
Step 14 — Print Bed & Build Volume

- Default settings should be correct.

- Set the print volume to 300x300x300mm.

- Next go to **Axes**.

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Step 15 — Axes

- Leave these setting as default.
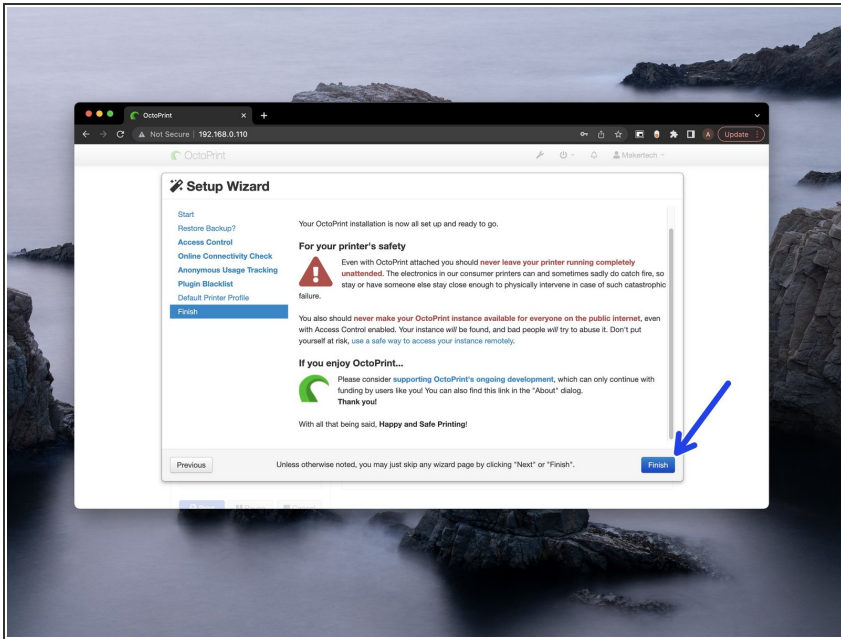
- Next go to **Hotend & Extruder**

Step 16 — Hotend & Extruder

- Set the default Nozzle diameter.

- Set number of extruders to 2 if you are running the DSH.

- Hit **Next** when done.

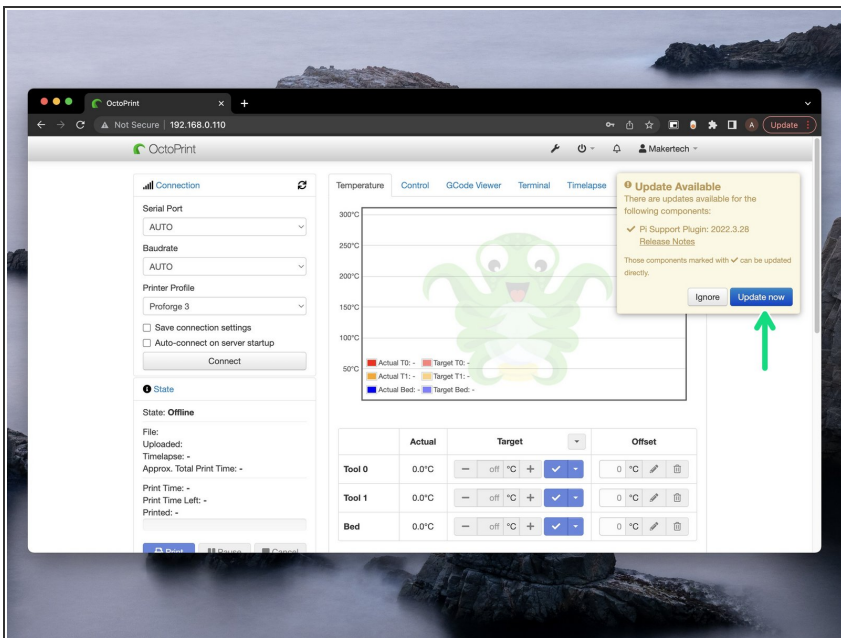This document was generated on 2022-04-24 09:22:28 AM (MST).
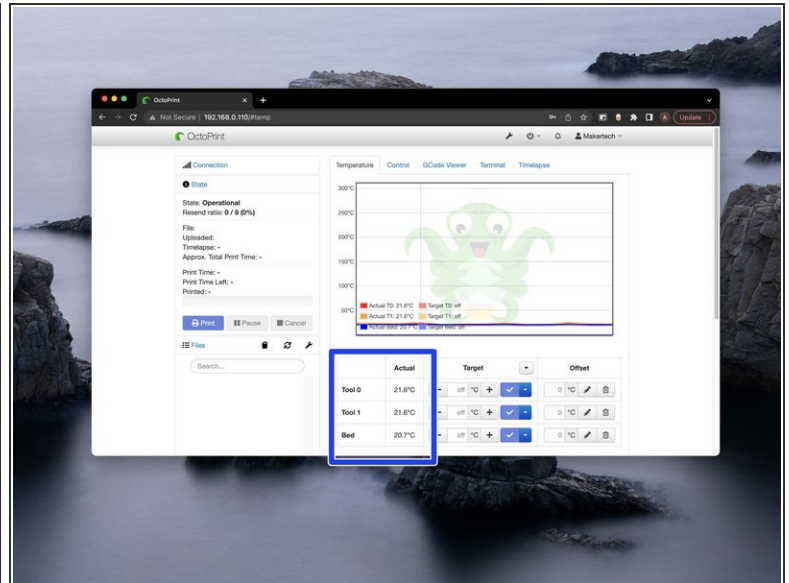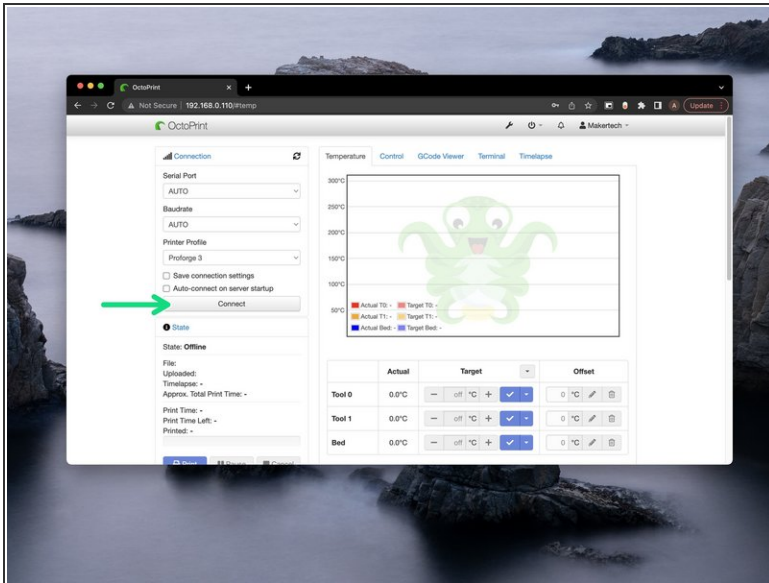
Step 17 — Finish

- Read through the safety instructions, hit finish when done.

Step 18 — Updates

- Complete any updates that pop-up.

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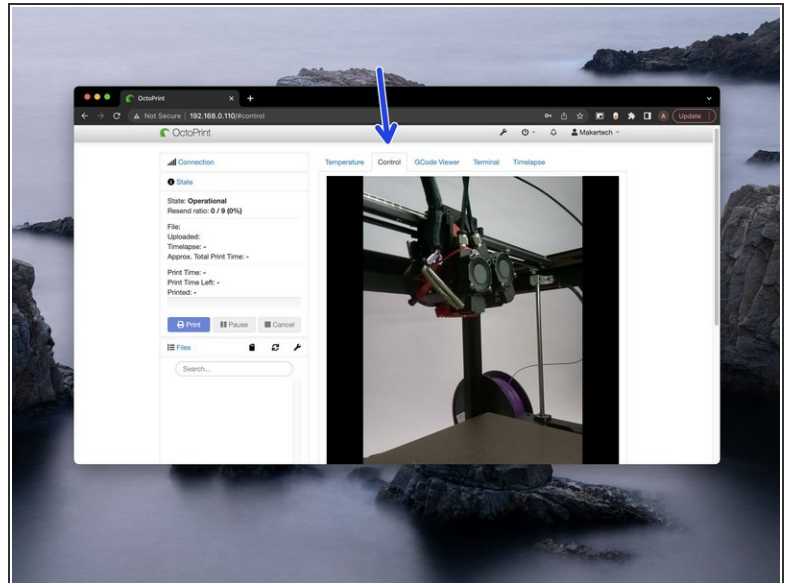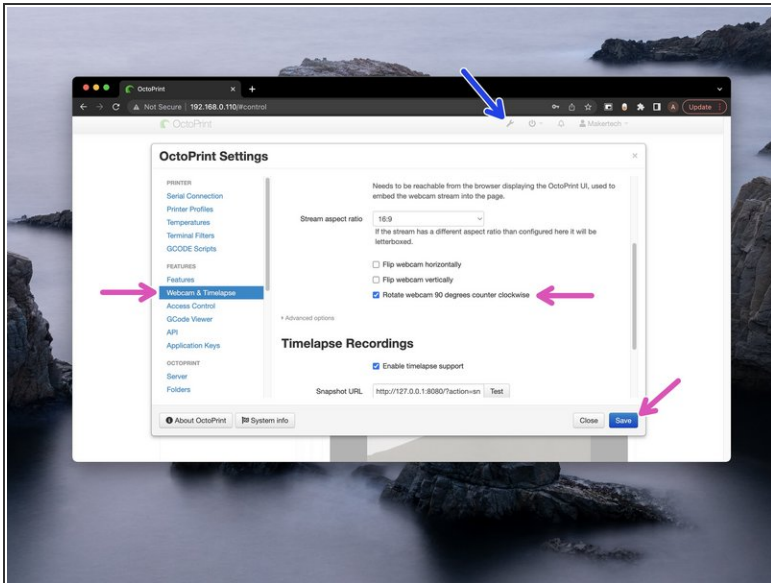makertech-3d.dozuki.com/

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Step 19 — Connecting to the Proforge 3

- Set the Serial Port and Baudrate to AUTO and hit Connect.

- Check that you're getting the correct temperatures being reported back.

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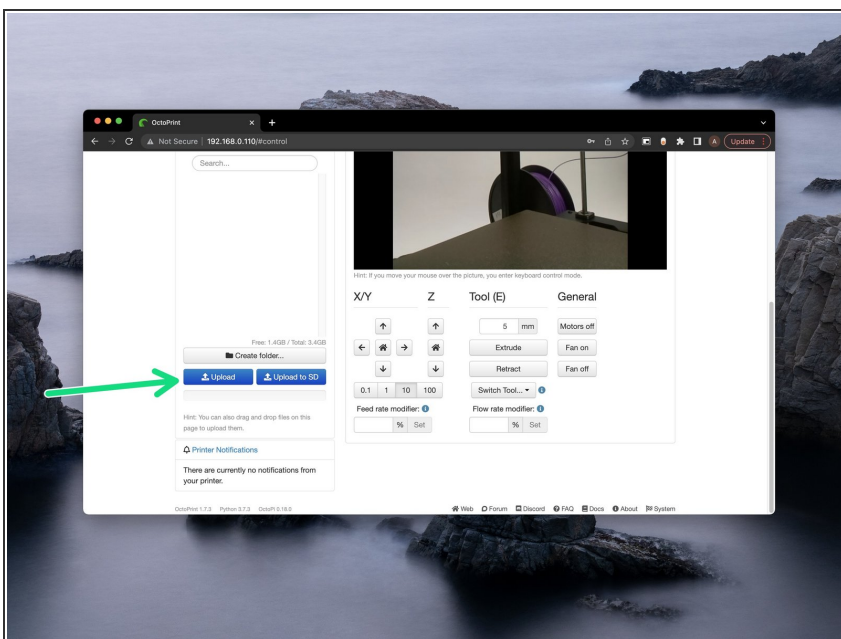
Step 20 — Pi Cam Image

- Go to settings.

- In **Webcam & Timelapse**, check **Rotate webcam 90 degrees counter clockwise**

- The image under the Control tab should be the right way up now.
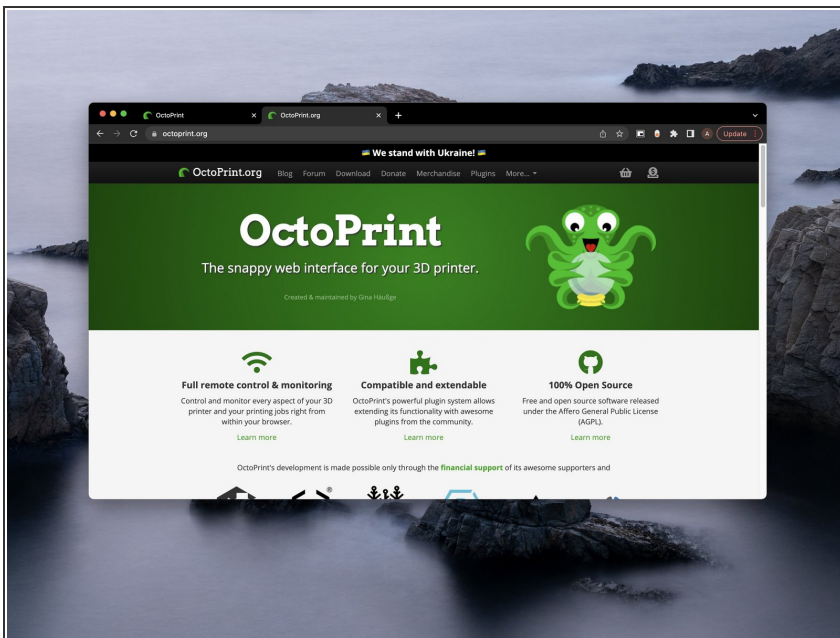
Step 21 — Uploading Gcode

- (i) Use Makertech CURA Software to slice your models.

- Click upload (or drag and drop) to send Gcode to OctoPrint for printing.

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Step 22 — Creating Timelapses
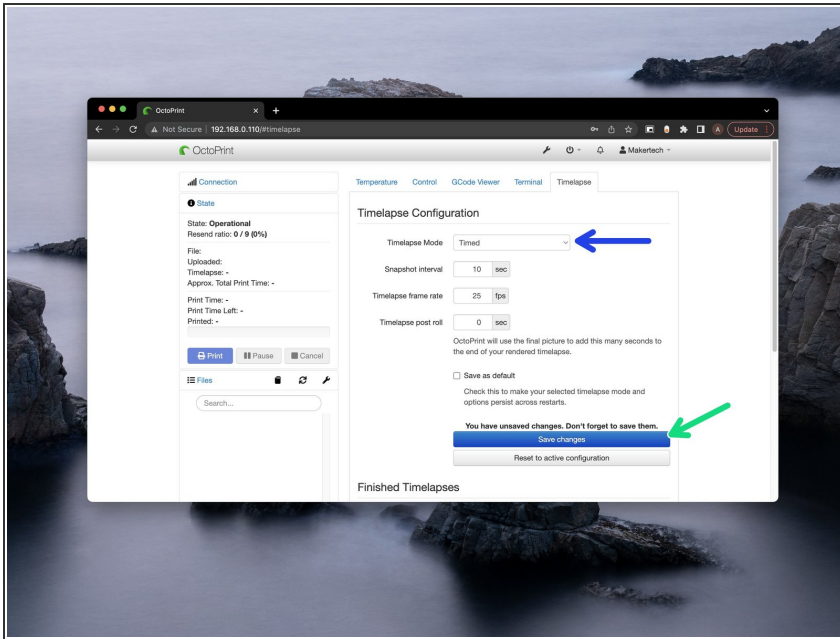
- Before starting a print, set the time-lapse mode to either take a photo at a timed interval or at every Z-layer move.

- Click save.

Step 23 — More on OctoPrint

ⓘ More information on the OctoPrint interface can be found at http://octoprint.org

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