

# Configure Labels

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When creating an EC2 Instance, there are some labels that can be set, these don't seem particularly important, until you have a lot of instances to manage, then you suddenly realise the value of these labels. If you have a lot of EC2 Instances and have not labelled them, you will have a hard time working out which EC2 Instance is performing what task(s).

Below is a single EC2 Instance in AWS, and you can see the two labels that are in the Terraform script.

Services ▾ Resource Groups ▾												
Launch Instance ▾ Connect ▾ Actions ▾												
Filter by tags and attributes or search by keyword												
Name ▾	Instance ID	Instance Type	Availability Zone	Instance State	Status Checks	Alarm Status	Public DNS (IPv4)	IPv4 Public IP	IPv6 IPs	Key Name ▾	Monitoring	Launch Time
evs.alanwalk...	i-0047cd04ad583776	t2.micro	eu-west-2a	running	2/2 checks ...	None	ec2-52-56-238-96.eu-w...	52.56.238.96	-	webserver	disabled	July 27, 2017 at 8:36:56 PM ...

On the left we have 'Name' (click the image to enlarge it) and on the right we have the

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