

## Ajax 2: FourSquare API in Node

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# Agenda

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- Foursquare Service
- FourSquare Developer
- Checkin API
- Insomnia REST Client
- Node.js program to access API, and retrieve checkin lists for a location

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Suggestions for **Best Nearby** near **Waterford**

Filters: **Specials** Haven't Been Following Price Open Now Saved Liked

1. **Bodega!**

8.9 54 John St, Waterford Mediterranean • €€€€



Lewis T. • December 2, 2015

Came here with a company night out (40 people). Great service from the staff, tasty food and wide menu. I didn't have dessert but the brownie with jelly tots looked (and apparently tasted) fabulous!



Save

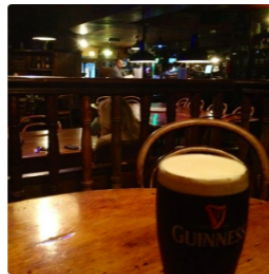
2. **Geoff's Café Bar**

8.4 7-9 John St, Waterford Pub • €€€€ • View Menu



Sandra B. • July 3, 2014

Great food and nice people. We had fish and chips, the cheeseburger, and the goat cheese crostini. Each was better than the last.



Save

3. **Emilianos**

8.2 21 High St., Waterford Italian • €€€€



jabit • July 8, 2010

This is a really nice restaurant, pizza and pasta are fab but I'm guessing everything on the menu is gorgeous. Lovely staff and atmosphere too.



Save

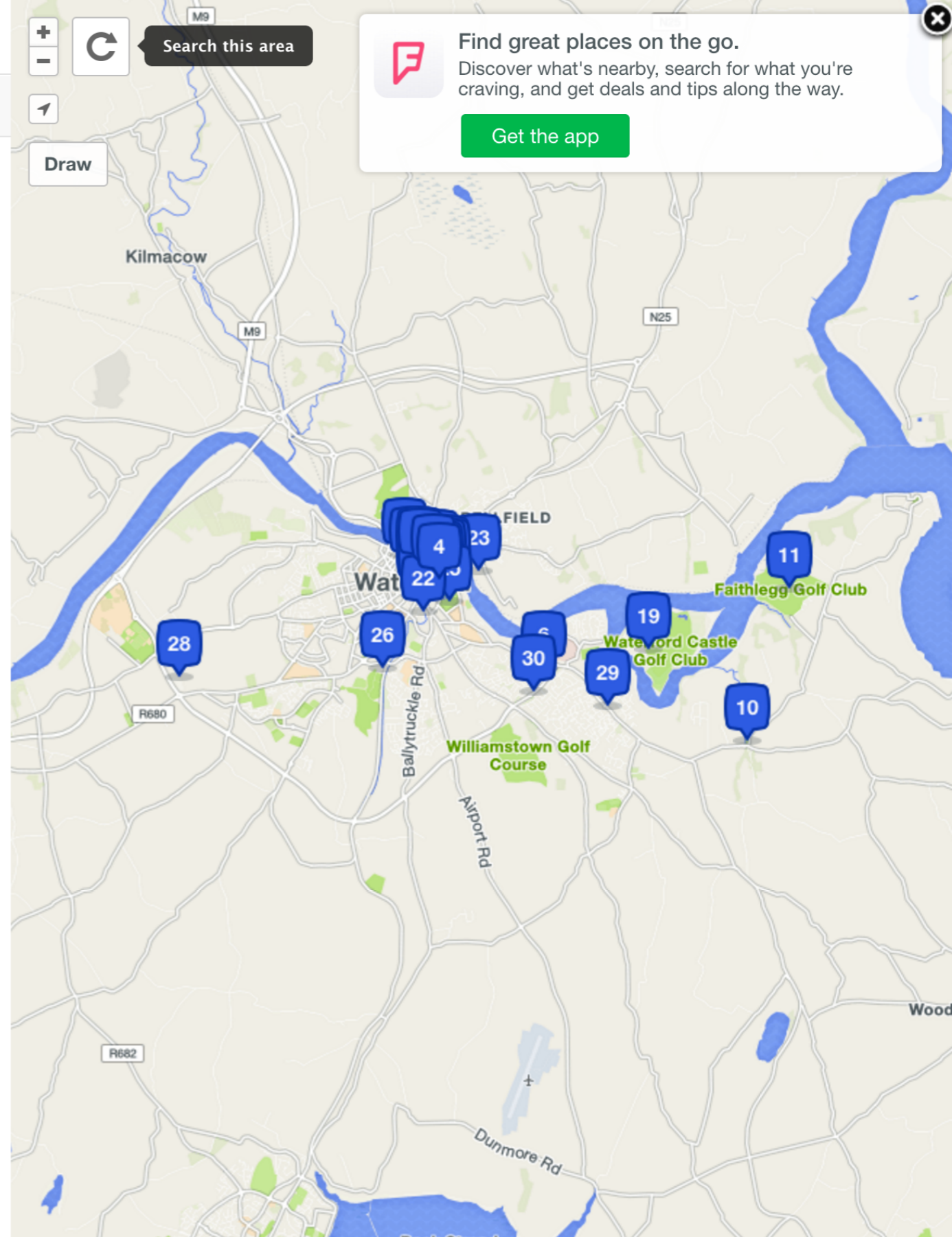
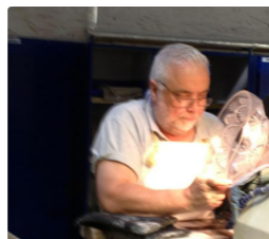
4. **House of Waterford Crystal**

8.1 The Mall, Waterford Museum



Hotelsireland • March 9, 2011

Perfect location in the centre of town. Very interesting. You can actually see live how the crystal is made and talk to the artists there



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## My Apps

### test

**Client ID**

ZNRM2 [REDACTED] BFSRXMBWXT2

**Client Secret**

HZPPG [REDACTED] HBY0LXX01CC

[More about this app...](#)

Create a new app

**Access Token URL**

[https://foursquare.com/oauth2/access\\_token](https://foursquare.com/oauth2/access_token)

**Authorize URL**

<https://foursquare.com/oauth2/authorize>

**Learn more about:**

- [OAuth2 and foursquare](#)
- [The foursquare API](#)

# Credentials in Javascript

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End Point of Interest

```
var fsConfig = {  
  base_url: 'https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore?',  
  client_id: 'Your ID',  
  client_secret: 'Your Secret',  
};  
  
console.log (fsConfig);
```

App Keys

# API Documentation

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## Explore Recommended and Popular Venues

<https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore>

Returns a list of recommended venues near the current location.

If authenticated, the method will potentially personalize the ranking based on you and your friends. If you do not authenticate, you will not get this personalization.

This endpoint is part of the [venues API](#).

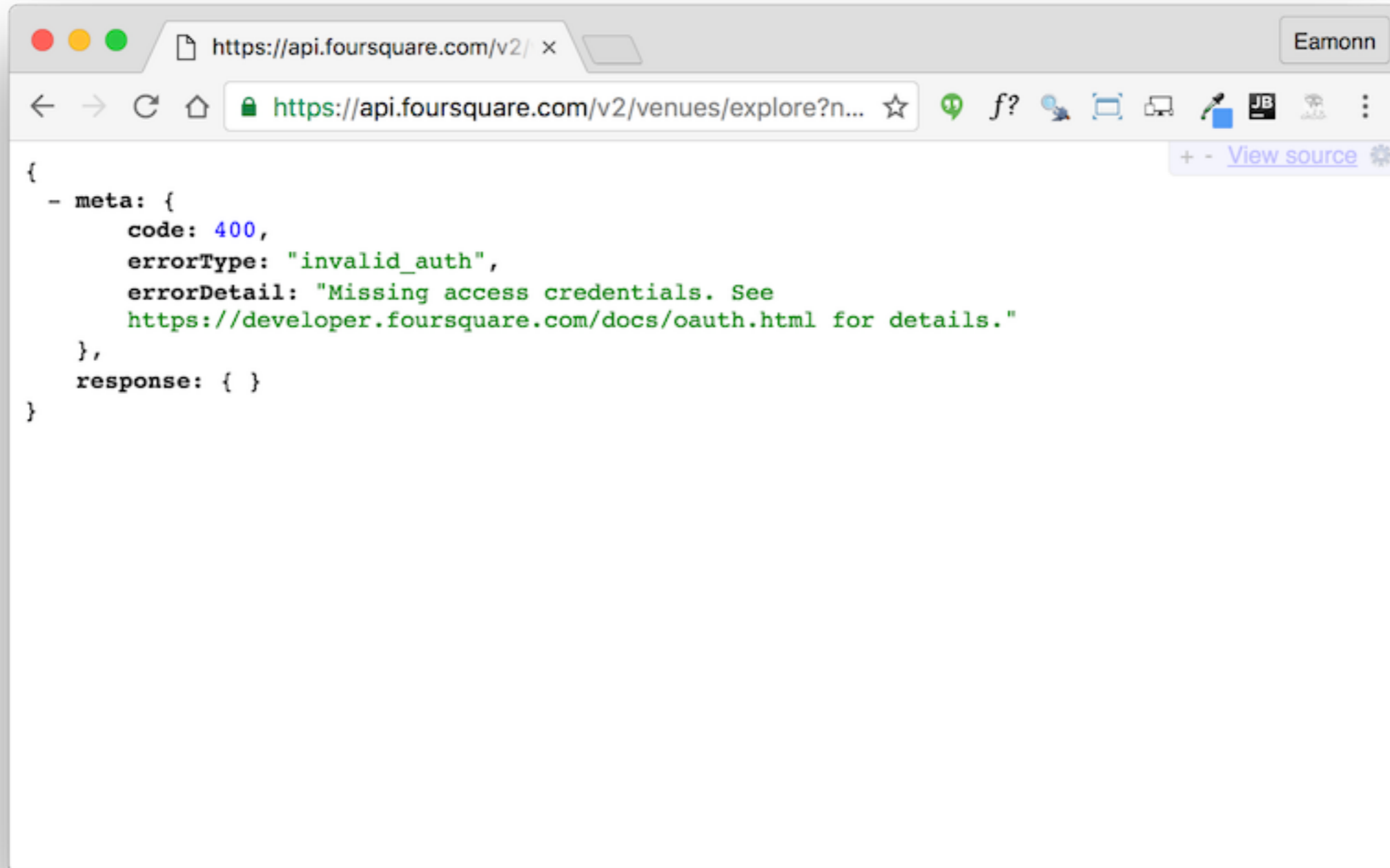
<b>HTTP Method</b>	GET
<b>Requires Acting User</b>	No ( <a href="#">learn more</a> )
<b>Modes supported</b>	<a href="#">foursquare</a> ( <a href="#">learn more</a> )

### Parameters

All parameters are optional, unless otherwise indicated.

<b>ll</b>	44.3,37.2	<b>required</b> unless <a href="#">near</a> is provided. Latitude and longitude of the user's location.
<b>near</b>	Chicago, IL	<b>required</b> unless <a href="#">ll</a> is provided. A string naming a place in the world. If the <a href="#">near</a> string is not geocodable, returns a <a href="#">failed_geocode</a> error. Otherwise, searches within the bounds of the geocode and adds a <a href="#">geocode</a> object to the response.
<b>llAcc</b>	10000.0	Accuracy of latitude and longitude, in meters.
<b>alt</b>	0	Altitude of the user's location, in meters.
<b>altAcc</b>	10000.0	Accuracy of the user's altitude, in meters.
<b>radius</b>	250	Radius to search within, in meters. If radius is not specified, a suggested radius will be used based on the density of venues in the area.
<b>section</b>	food	One of <a href="#">food</a> , <a href="#">drinks</a> , <a href="#">coffee</a> , <a href="#">shops</a> , <a href="#">arts</a> , <a href="#">outdoors</a> , <a href="#">sights</a> , <a href="#">trending</a> or <a href="#">specials</a> , <a href="#">nextVenues</a> (venues frequently visited after a given venue), or <a href="#">topPicks</a> (a mix of recommendations generated without a query from the

<https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore?near=Waterford,IE&query=&v=20140601>



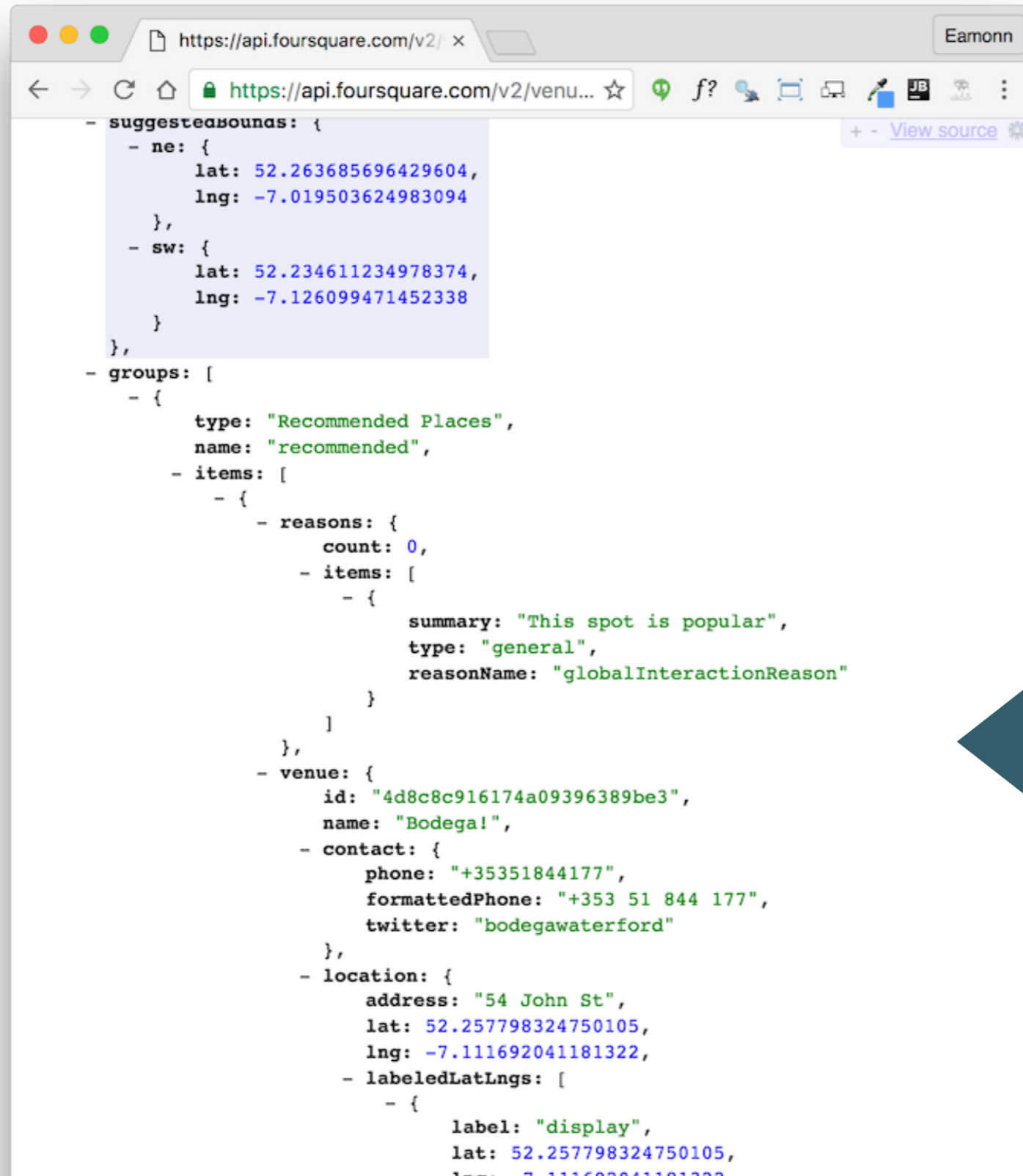
The image shows a web browser window with the URL `https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore?n...` in the address bar. The browser's developer tools are open, displaying a JSON error response. The response indicates a 400 status code with the error type `invalid_auth` and a message: `Missing access credentials. See https://developer.foursquare.com/docs/oauth.html for details.`

```
{
  - meta: {
    code: 400,
    errorType: "invalid_auth",
    errorDetail: "Missing access credentials. See
    https://developer.foursquare.com/docs/oauth.html for details."
  },
  response: { }
}
```



# GET Request

`https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore?near=Waterford,IE&query=&client_id=YOUR_ID&client_secret=YOUR_SECRET&v=201`



```
- suggestedvenues: {
  - ne: {
    lat: 52.263685696429604,
    lng: -7.019503624983094
  },
  - sw: {
    lat: 52.234611234978374,
    lng: -7.126099471452338
  }
},
- groups: [
  - {
    type: "Recommended Places",
    name: "recommended",
    - items: [
      - {
        - reasons: {
          count: 0,
          - items: [
            - {
              summary: "This spot is popular",
              type: "general",
              reasonName: "globalInteractionReason"
            }
          ]
        }
      }
    ],
  },
  - venue: {
    id: "4d8c8c916174a09396389be3",
    name: "Bodega!",
    - contact: {
      phone: "+35351844177",
      formattedPhone: "+353 51 844 177",
      twitter: "bodegawaterford"
    },
    - location: {
      address: "54 John St",
      lat: 52.257798324750105,
      lng: -7.111692041181322,
      - labeledLatLngs: [
        - {
          label: "display",
          lat: 52.257798324750105,
          lng: -7.111692041181322
        }
      ]
    }
  }
]
}
```

Your Credentials

JSON response

# A simple and beautiful REST API client

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The screenshot displays the Insomnia 3.0 interface. At the top, the application name 'Insomnia 3.0' is visible. The main workspace shows a REST client configuration for a POST request to the endpoint `{{ base_url }}/send`. The request body is a JSON object with the following structure:

```
1 {
2   "template": "{{ template_id }}",
3   "recipient": {
4     "address": "julia@fakename.xyz",
5     "name": "Julia Rylie"
6   },
7   "sender": {
8     "address": "support@insomnia.rest",
9     "name": "Gregory Schier"
10  },
11  "template_data": {
12    "name": "{{ name | title }}",
13    "age": 26
14  }
15 }
```

The response status is **200 OK**, with a response time of **538 ms** and a size of **358 B**. The response body is a JSON object:

```
1 {
2   "success": true,
3   "receipt_id":
4     "log_40e7828498f2aaf4f2be7e47f0bc3aeb",
5   "email": {
6     "name": "Invite",
7     "version_name": "New Version",
8     "locale": "en-US"
9   },
10  "status": "OK"
}
```

The interface also includes a sidebar on the left with a 'Send Email' folder containing several request items (e.g., 'With Data', 'Segment', 'A/B Test') and other API categories like 'ESP Accounts', 'Drip Campaigns', 'Customers', 'Conversions', 'Templates', and 'Groups'.



# Insomnia

GET ▼ https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore?near= Send

400 Bad Request

TIME 190 ms

SIZE 495 B

No Environment ▼ Cookies

JSON ▼ Auth Query Headers (1)

Source ▼ Cookies Headers (12)

Filter +

URL PREVIEW  
https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore?near=Waterford, IE&query=&v=20140601

```
1 {
2   "meta": {
3     "code": 400,
4     "errorType": "invalid_auth",
5     "errorDetail": "Missing access credentials. See
6     https://developer.foursquare.com/docs/oauth.html for details."
7   },
8   "response": {}
}
```

GET explore-no-auth

GET explore-auth

name	value

No Environment Cookies

JSON Auth Query (2) Headers (1)

Source Cookies Headers (19)

Filter

URL PREVIEW

```
https://api.foursquare.com/v2/venues/explore?near=Waterford,IE&query=&client_id=ZNF[REDACTED]JJV&client_secret=HZPPGFTGDXC3GULSVGAEC3[REDACTED]
```

client\_id ZNF [REDACTED] JJV

client\_secret HZPPG [REDACTED] SVGAEC3 [REDACTED]

name	value
------	-------

```
1 {
2   "meta": {
3     "code": 200,
4     "requestId": "57d94bdb498ee380407a6809"
5   },
6   "response": {
7     "suggestedFilters": {
8       "header": "Tap to show:",
9       "filters": [
10      {
11        "name": "Open now",
12        "key": "openNow"
13      }
14    ]
15  },
16  "geocode": {
17    "what": "",
18    "where": "waterford ie",
19    "center": {
20      "lat": 52.25833,
21      "lng": -7.11194
22    },
23    "displayString": "Waterford, Co Waterford, Ireland",
24    "cc": "IE",
25    "geometry": {
26      "bounds": {
27        "ne": {
28          "lat": 52.276449024684325,
29          "lng": -7.053682303677192
30        },
31        "sw": {
32          "lat": 52.224745038458934,
33          "lng": -7.17233704725777
34        }
35      }
36    },
37    "slug": "waterford-munster-ireland",
38    "longId": "72057594040888928"
39  },
40  "headerLocation": "Waterford",
41  "headerFullLocation": "Waterford",
42  "headerLocationGranularity": "city",
43  "totalResults": 76,
44  "suggestedBounds": {
45    "ne": {
46      "lat": 52.26421862199152,
47      "lng": -7.017133625097535
48    },
49    "sw": {
50      "lat": 52.234585857570664,
51      "lng": -7.175869469049078
52    }
53  }
54 }
```

```
140601&cli 3330 "rating": 6.5,
2YYMRQDC4T 3331 "ratingSignals": 5,
ED5YSJX3FW 3332 "allowMenuUrlEdit": true,
T2&client_ 3333 ▾ "photos": {
GFTGDXC3GU 3334 "count": 0,
TJZVVUDWF 3335 "groups": []
CC 3336 },
3337 ▾ "hereNow": {
3338 "count": 0,
3339 "summary": "Nobody here",
3340 "groups": []
3341 }
3342 },
3343 ▾ "tips": [
3344 ▾ {
3345 "id": "54047319498e008a39442af4",
3346 "createdAt": 1409577753,
3347 "text": "Plenty of parking",
3348 "type": "user",
3349 "canonicalUrl":
"https://foursquare.com/item/54047319498e008a39442af4",
3350 "logView": true,
3351 "agreeCount": 0,
3352 "disagreeCount": 0,
3353 ▾ "todo": {
3354 "count": 0
3355 },
3356 ▾ "user": {
3357 "id": "2463172",
3358 "firstName": "Tony",
3359 "lastName": "Costelloe",
3360 "gender": "male",
3361 ▾ "photo": {
3362 "prefix": "https://irs1.4sqi
3363 "suffix": "/BASRNTVX0GB5QHTN
3364 }
3365 }
3366 }
3367 ],
3368 "referralId": "e-0-53d6768f498efde7e4ba23da-3
3369 }
3370 }
3371 }
3372 }
3373 }
3374 }
```

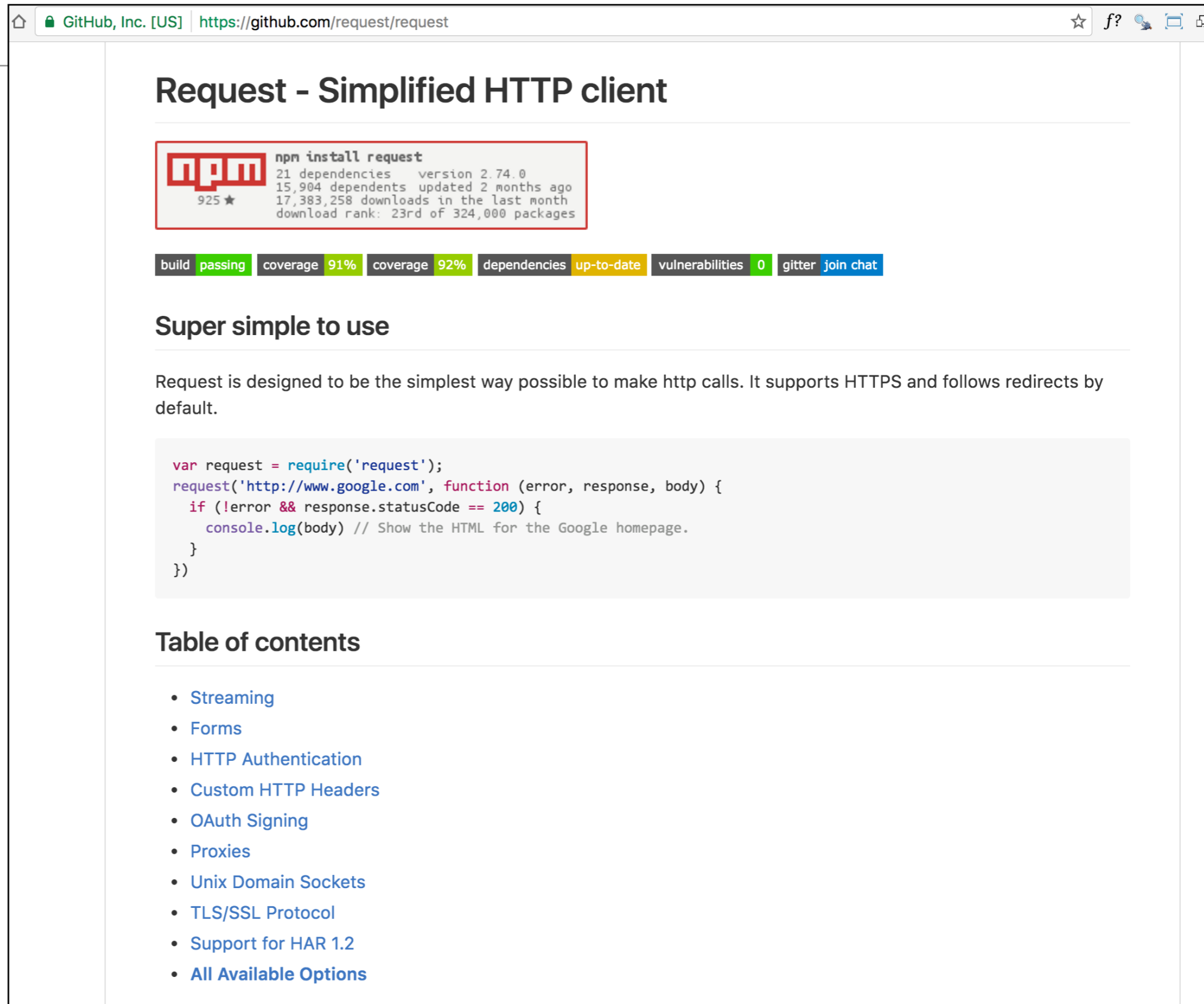
- 3,374 'Lines' of JSON!



# Api Programming

npm install request

- Node Module simplifying interacting with HTTP in JavaScript



The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for the 'request' package. The browser address bar displays 'https://github.com/request/request'. The page title is 'Request - Simplified HTTP client'. A red box highlights the package name 'request' and its statistics: 21 dependencies, version 2.74.0, 15,904 dependents, updated 2 months ago, 17,383,258 downloads in the last month, and a download rank of 23rd out of 324,000 packages. Below this, there are status indicators for build (passing), coverage (91% and 92%), dependencies (up-to-date), vulnerabilities (0), gitter, and join chat. The text 'Super simple to use' is followed by a description: 'Request is designed to be the simplest way possible to make http calls. It supports HTTPS and follows redirects by default.' A code block shows a JavaScript snippet for using the request module. At the bottom, a 'Table of contents' lists various features like Streaming, Forms, HTTP Authentication, Custom HTTP Headers, OAuth Signing, Proxies, Unix Domain Sockets, TLS/SSL Protocol, Support for HAR 1.2, and All Available Options.

GitHub, Inc. [US] <https://github.com/request/request>

## Request - Simplified HTTP client

**request** npm install request  
21 dependencies version 2.74.0  
15,904 dependents updated 2 months ago  
17,383,258 downloads in the last month  
download rank: 23rd of 324,000 packages

build **passing** coverage **91%** coverage **92%** dependencies **up-to-date** vulnerabilities **0** gitter [join chat](#)

### Super simple to use

Request is designed to be the simplest way possible to make http calls. It supports HTTPS and follows redirects by default.

```
var request = require('request');
request('http://www.google.com', function (error, response, body) {
  if (!error && response.statusCode === 200) {
    console.log(body) // Show the HTML for the Google homepage.
  }
})
```

### Table of contents

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- [TLS/SSL Protocol](#)
- [Support for HAR 1.2](#)
- [All Available Options](#)

# Node Api Request

```
const request = require('request');
const fsConfig = require('./fs-config');

var fsCredentials = '&client_id=' + fsConfig.client_id + '&client_secret='
                  + fsConfig.client_secret + '&v=20140601';

function loadVenues(locationName, venueKeyword) {

  var requestOptions = {
    url: fsConfig.base_url + 'near=' + locationName + '&query=' + venueKeyword + fsCredentials,
    method: 'GET',
    json: {},
  };

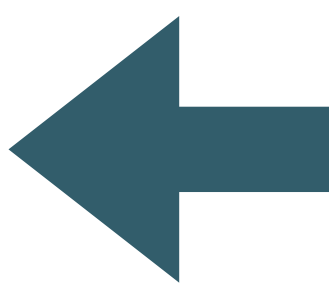
  request(requestOptions, (err, response, body) => {

    const venues = body.response.groups[0].items;
    console.log(venues);

  });

}

var locationName = 'Waterford, IE';
loadVenues(locationName, '');
```



Callback invoked  
when response  
received

# ES6 Arrow Functions

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- An arrow function expression has a shorter syntax compared to function expressions.
- Arrow functions are always anonymous.

```
request(requestOptions, (err, response, body) => {  
  const venues = body.response.groups[0].items;  
  console.log(venues);  
});
```

arrow function expression

```
request(requestOptions, function (err, response, body) {  
  const venues = body.response.groups[0].items;  
  console.log(venues);  
});
```

function expression



```
request(requestOptions, (err, response, body) => {  
  
  const venues = body.response.groups[0].items;  
  console.log(venues);  
  
});
```

Run fs.js

```
[ { reasons: { count: 0, items: [Object] },  
  venue:  
    { id: '4d8c8c916174a09396389be3',  
      name: 'Bodega!',  
      contact: [Object],  
      location: [Object],  
      categories: [Object],  
      verified: false,  
      stats: [Object],  
      url: 'http://www.bodegawaterford.com',  
      price: [Object],  
      rating: 8.9,  
      ratingSignals: 37,  
      allowMenuUrlEdit: true,  
      hours: [Object],  
      photos: [Object],  
      hereNow: [Object] },  
    tips: [ [Object] ],  
    referralId: 'e-0-4d8c8c916174a09396389be3-0' },  
  { reasons: { count: 0, items: [Object] },  
    venue:  
      { id: '4b899439f964a5205a4332e3',  
        name: 'Geoff\'s Café Bar',  
        contact: [Object],  
        location: [Object],  
        categories: [Object],  
        verified: false,  
        stats: [Object],  
        price: [Object]
```

```
request(requestOptions, (err, response, body) => {  
  
  const venues = body.response.groups[0].items;  
  console.log(venues);  
  
});
```



Declare local array

Loop through venues

create 'checkin' object

store in array

print array

```
request(requestOptions, (err, response, body) => {  
  
  const venues = body.response.groups[0].items;  
  const checkins = [];  
  
  for (let venue of venues) {  
    const checkin = {  
      name: venue.venue.name,  
      checkins: venue.venue.stats.checkinsCount,  
      users: venue.venue.stats.usersCount,  
    };  
    checkins.push(checkin);  
  }  
  
  console.log(checkins);  
});
```

```

request(requestOptions, (err, response, body) => {

  const venues = body.response.groups[0].items;
  const checkins = [];

  for (let venue of venues) {
    const checkin = {
      name: venue.venue.name,
      checkins: venue.venue.stats.checkinsCount,
      users: venue.venue.stats.usersCount,
    };
    checkins.push(checkin);
  }

  console.log(checkins);
});

```

```

[ { name: 'Bodega!', checkins: 181, users: 141 },
  { name: 'Geoff\'s Café Bar', checkins: 808, users: 286 },
  { name: 'Emilianos', checkins: 71, users: 57 },
  { name: 'House of Waterford Crystal', checkins: 941, users: 737 },
  { name: 'Carter\'s Chocolate Cafe', checkins: 159, users: 55 },
  { name: 'Ardkeen Quality Food Store', checkins: 585, users: 106 },
  { name: 'The Gingerman', checkins: 166, users: 129 },
  { name: 'Tower Hotel & Leisure Centre',
    checkins: 787,
    users: 248 },
  { name: 'McLeary\'s', checkins: 61, users: 50 },
  { name: 'Jack Meades', checkins: 96, users: 74 },
  { name: 'Faithlegg House Hotel', checkins: 149, users: 101 },
  { name: 'Café Goa', checkins: 178, users: 57 },
  { name: 'The Reg', checkins: 288, users: 136 },
  { name: 'Theatre Royal', checkins: 217, users: 81 },
  { name: 'The Book Centre', checkins: 332, users: 131 },
  { name: 'The Munster Bar', checkins: 179, users: 127 },
  { name: 'La Bohème', checkins: 35, users: 32 },
  { name: 'Medieval Museum', checkins: 135, users: 112 },
  { name: 'Waterford Castle Hotel & Golf Resort',
    checkins: 335,
    users: 219 },
  { name: 'No.9 Café', checkins: 83, users: 39 },
  { name: 'Reginald\'s Tower', checkins: 444, users: 181 },
  { name: 'Costa Coffee', checkins: 123, users: 44 },
  { name: 'Athenaeum House Hotel', checkins: 395, users: 55 },
  { name: 'Bishop\'s Palace', checkins: 162, users: 116 },
  { name: 'The People\'s Park', checkins: 400, users: 127 }
]

```