Change a WordPress password with SSH

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You can make changes to your database through SSH, which you can use update your WordPress password. **Warning:** The information in this article is advanced material we make available as a courtesy. Please be advised that you are responsible for properly following the procedures below. Customer Support can't assist with these topics. You should always backup your site before performing any changes.

Connect to your package SSH Connect to MySQL using the following command:

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mysql -u username -h host database -P port -p
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 Enter the database information from your database as follows: **username** is your database username **host** is your database hostname or IP address **database** is the database name **port** is the port MySQL is running on (by default this is 3306)   When prompted, enter the password for that MySQL user. Enter the following MySQL command to switch to your WordPress database: `mysql> use database` **database** is the database name   Enter the following command to see a list of the tables in the database. Make notes of the table containing "_users". `mysql> show tables;` Enter the following command to see the contents of your "users" table. Make note of the number in the "ID" column for the user you want to update. `mysql> SELECT * FROM table;` **table** is the name of your users table.   Use the following command to set your new password. `mysql> UPDATE table SET user_pass = MD5('password') WHERE ID =` **id;** **table** is the name of the users table. **password** is your new password **id** is the number you located in Step 7   You can now login with your new password

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