



Delegation Guide for Solana (SOL): Foundry's Public Validators

Delegating SOL from Phantom Wallet or Solflare Wallet

Foundry's SOL Validator

Vote Key: GmTownnqSF8zXE4Cy3ZP8daMBPDSc6PnYW6aJLzjwTkz
Identity: 9MySck9qTMMPMUwFnh1rAYk6eStsBkUbKSBTnAeKmJXu

Guide Objectives

Learn how to quickly and easily stake SOL holdings to earn rewards with Foundry's public validator.

Learn how to unstake or withdraw your staked SOL.

Learn how to monitor key staking information for your staked SOL.

Key Information

- ✓ Commission = 2% of rewards.
- ✓ Earned SOL rewards continuously compound without the need to manually withdraw and restake.
- ✓ Slashing is not currently enabled on Solana but may be enabled in the future.
- ✓ Solana staking uses "warm-up" and "cooldown" periods for tokens.
 - Warmup: It takes 1 epoch (~2-3 days) to activate your stake and receive full rewards when delegating to any validator.
 - Cooldown: It takes 1 epoch to deactivate your staked tokens and withdraw them from any validator.

Key Assumptions

- ✓ SOL tokens to be staked have already been purchased and are held on an exchange or within a user-controlled wallet.
- ✓ You have enough SOL for Solana's transaction fees (1 SOL is enough for ~100 transactions).

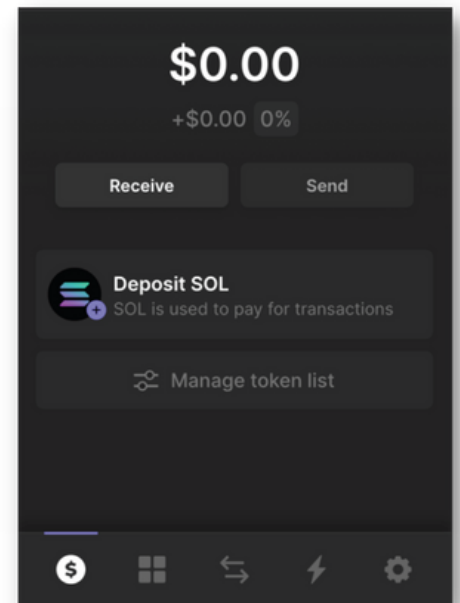
Objective 1: Stake Your SOL Holdings and Earn Rewards

Staking SOL with Phantom

Phantom Wallet is a browser extension for Brave, Chrome, Edge or Firefox browsers. Skip to Step 2 if your Phantom wallet is already created and funded.

Step 1: Set Up and Fund Your Phantom Wallet

- 1A** Download and install the Phantom browser extension, following the prompts to install for your desired browser.
- 1B** Set up your wallet.
 - Open the Phantom wallet extension and select “Create New Wallet”
 - Copy, save, and safely store your secret recovery phrase. Never share it (or you'll risk losing funds).
 - Follow the prompts to create a secure password.
- 1C** Deposit SOL.
 - Open the browser extension and select “Receive.”
 - Select “Send From Wallet/Exchange”, and copy either the wallet address or QR code that appears.
 - Go to the exchange/wallet where your SOL was purchased, and send your SOL to the copied address.
 - TIP: First, send a small amount of SOL in a test transaction to ensure the copied wallet address is correct. If it's sent to the incorrect address, your funds are irretrievable. Once you've received the test transaction in your new Phantom wallet, send over larger amounts of SOL.
 - Once the transaction is processed, your SOL balance will show at the top of the wallet extension when opened.



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Step 2: Stake to Foundry's SOL Validator With Phantom

- 2A Stake to Foundry's validator.
 - Click your SOL balance in the token list within Phantom.
 - “Start Earning SOL.”
- 2B Search in the search bar of the validator selection screen by copying and pasting the Vote Key.
- 2C Enter the desired amount of SOL you would like to stake and select “Stake.”

Congratulations! You are now earning SOL rewards with Foundry Staking and helping to secure the Solana network!

Staking SOL With Solflare

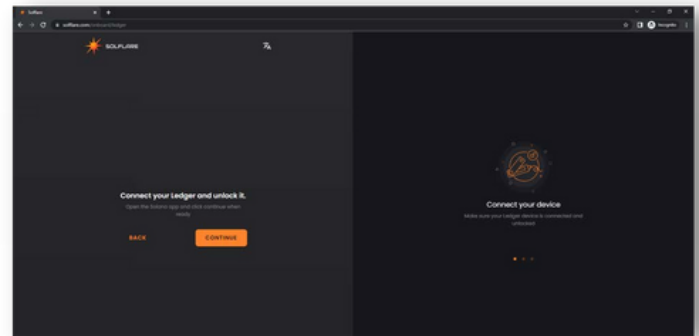
- ✓ Solflare is available on mobile, desktop, or as a browser extension.
- ✓ Skip to Step 2 if your SOL is already on your Ledger.

Requirements

- ✓ Install the Solana app on your Ledger S or X hardware wallet.
- ✓ Use Chrome or similar supported browser.

Step 1: Set Up and Fund Your Solflare Wallet

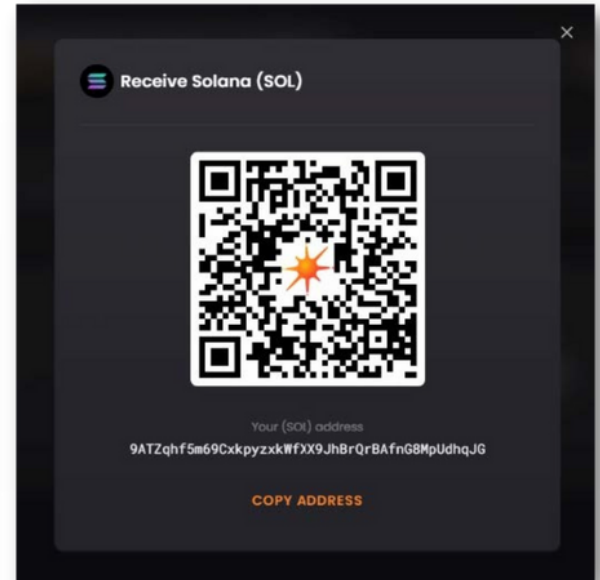
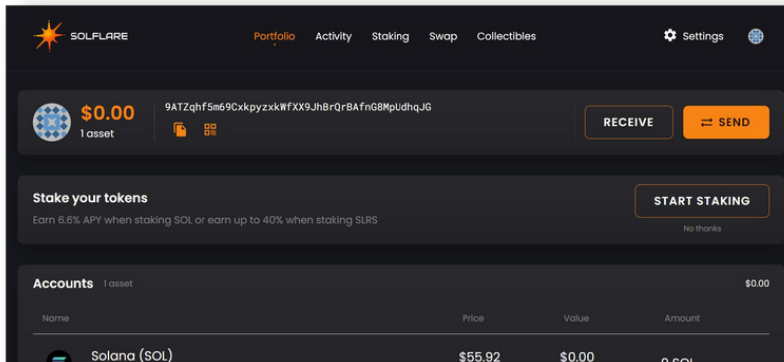
- 1A** Connect your Ledger hardware wallet to Solflare.
- Plug in your Ledger, unlock it, and go to the Solana app within the Ledger manager.
 - Go to Solflare.com and click "Access Wallet."
 - Select "Continue with Ledger" and follow the instructions (ensure blinding signing is enabled in device settings).
 - Follow the instructions and accept the first option, "Solana 44'/501'" under "Select derivation path."
 - Select your Ledger hardware wallet from the pop-up screen.
 - If an error occurs, ensure your Ledger is unlocked, the Solana app is open, and blind signing is enabled.



- 1B** Fund your Solflare Wallet
- Select "Root Account" in the dropdown list and continue.
 - On your Ledger, review the transaction prompt.
 - Your public address of pubkey should show on screen.
 - Confirm your address

1C Click "Receive" and copy the address under "Your (SOL) Address."

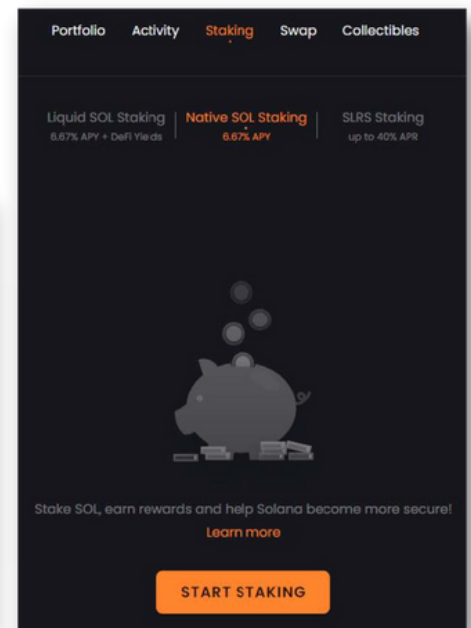
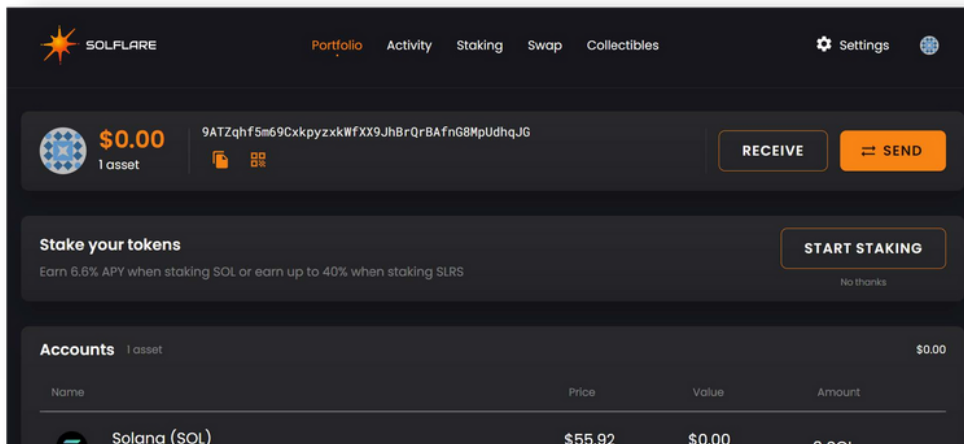
- Go to your exchange or wallet where your SOL is stored and send your SOL to the wallet address under "Your (SOL) Address."
- Your SOL balance should show within the Solflare extension after the network processes your transaction.



Step 2: Staking to Foundry's SOL Validator with Solflare

2A Open the Solflare page, and click "Start Staking."

2B Select "Native SOL Staking" and click "Start Staking."



- 2C** Input your desired SOL amount to stake in the "Amount" menu.
- 2D** Copy and paste the Foundry validator Vote Key into the menu.
- Vote Key: GmTownnqSF8zXE4Cy3ZP8daMBPDSc6PnYW6aJLzjwTkz
 - Click "Stake and "Confirm" your transaction on the next screen, and approve the transaction on your Ledger.
 - Please review and ensure the address displayed on your Ledger hardware wallet matches the Vote Key of our Validator.

How much would you like to stake?

Warning: You'll need a small amount of Solana (~0.01 SOL) in your wallet to be able to pay for fees later. Make sure you have some on account!

Amount: 0 SOL

Validator: Help me choose

	GmTownnqSF8zXE4Cy3ZP8daMBPDSc6PnYW6aJLzjwTkz		
	GmTownnqSF8zXE4Cy3ZP8daMBPDSc6PnYW6aJLzjwTkz		
0.00%	2.00%	1,000.5 SOL	85766 (31.74%)
Stake	Fee	Delegated	Skipped blocks

Depositing SOL will create a new staking account with seed **stake:0**

STAKE

Confirm Transaction

You are delegating

1 SOL

to

GmTownnqSF8zXE4Cy3ZP8daMBPDSc6PnYW6aJLzjwTkz

GmTownnqSF8zXE4Cy3ZP8daMBPDSc6PnYW6aJLzjwTkz

CANCEL **CONFIRM**

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Objective 2: Unstaking Your SOL

Key Information

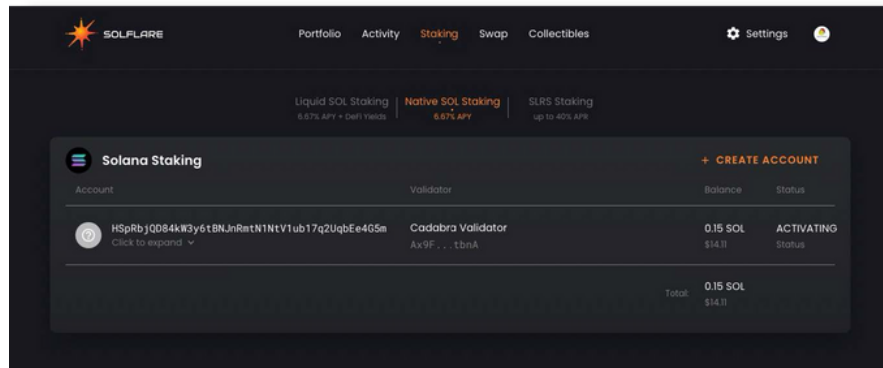
- ✓ Unstaking your SOL will incur a “cooldown” or “deactivating” period.
- ✓ After the cooldown period is complete, your SOL tokens are eligible to be withdrawn and transferred to another address.
- ✓ The cooldown period to withdraw your unstaked SOL is 1 epoch (or ~2–3 days).
 - For further explanation, read Solana's [Delegation Timing Considerations](#).
- ✓ Ensure your wallet has enough SOL for transaction fees.

Unstaking Your SOL with Phantom Wallet

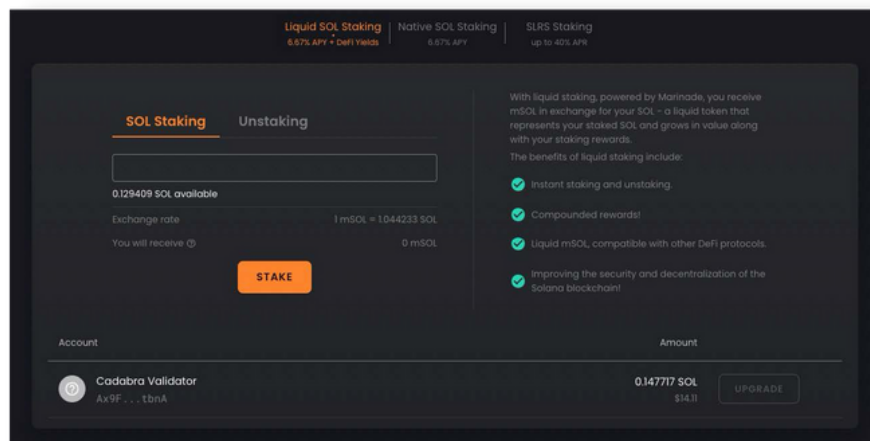
- 1 Click the Solana token balance in your wallet.
- 2 Click the "Your Stake" row.
- 3 Choose the validator or staking account you wish to unstake with.
- 4 Click the purple "Unstake" button in the bottom right.
- 5 Confirm your transaction.

Unstaking Your SOL with Solflare Wallet

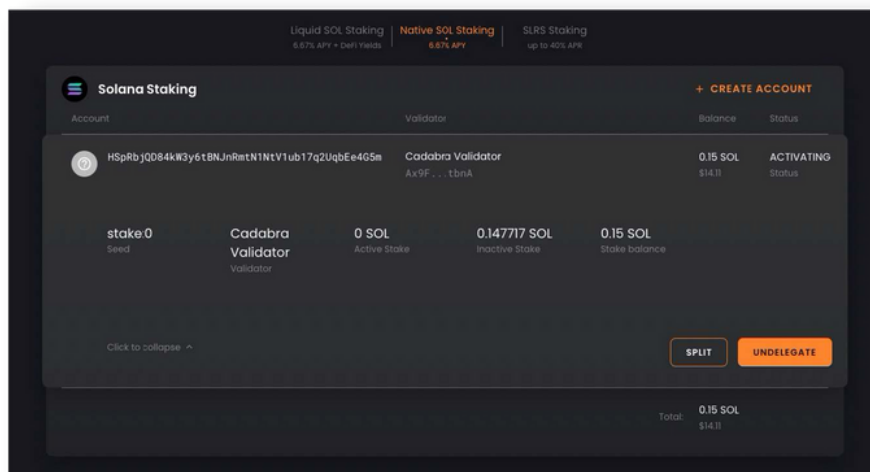
- 1 Go to your stake accounts on the "Staking" tab.
- 2 Ensure you select "Native SOL Staking."



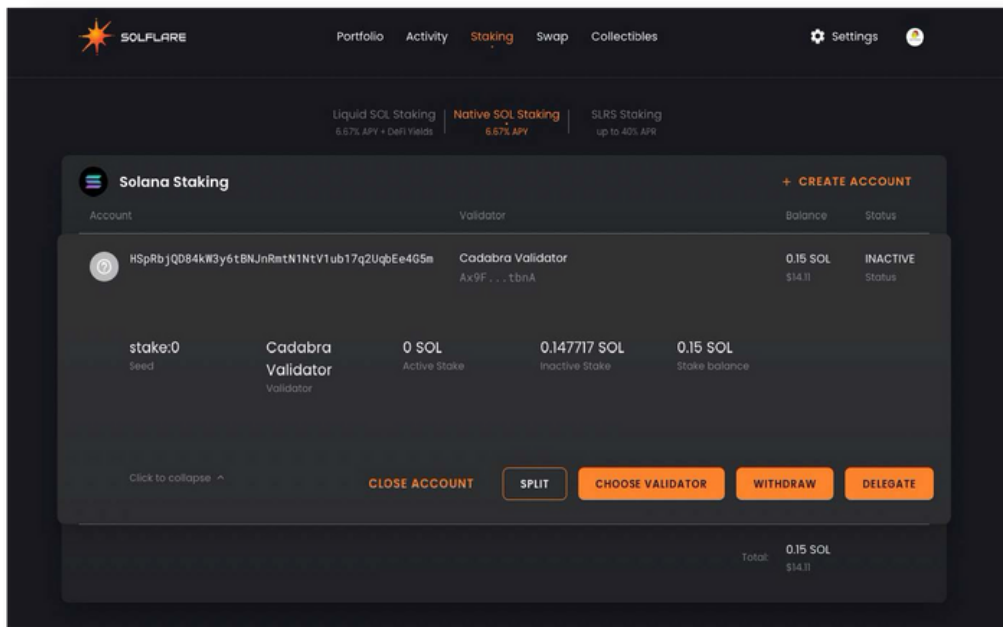
3 Click the “Unstaking” tab next to “SOL Staking.”



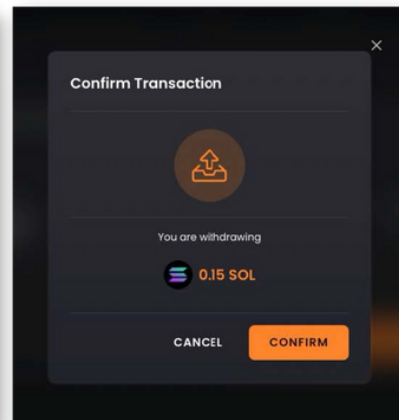
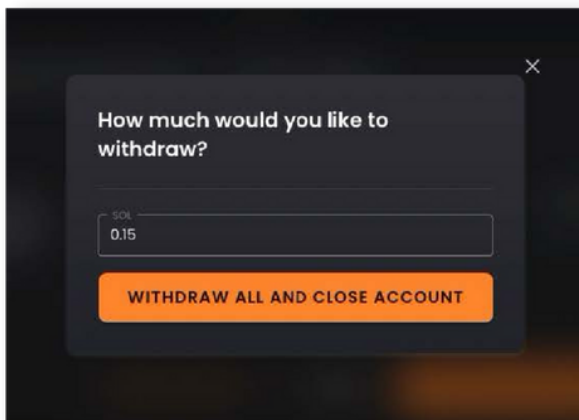
4 Click “Undelegate.”



- 5 Click "Confirm" and confirm the transaction on your Ledger hardware wallet.
- 6 Click "Close Account."



- 7 Click "Withdraw All and Close Account."
- 8 Click "Confirm" and confirm the transaction on your Ledger hardware wallet.
 - You will receive a notification when the undelegated SOL is back in your wallet.



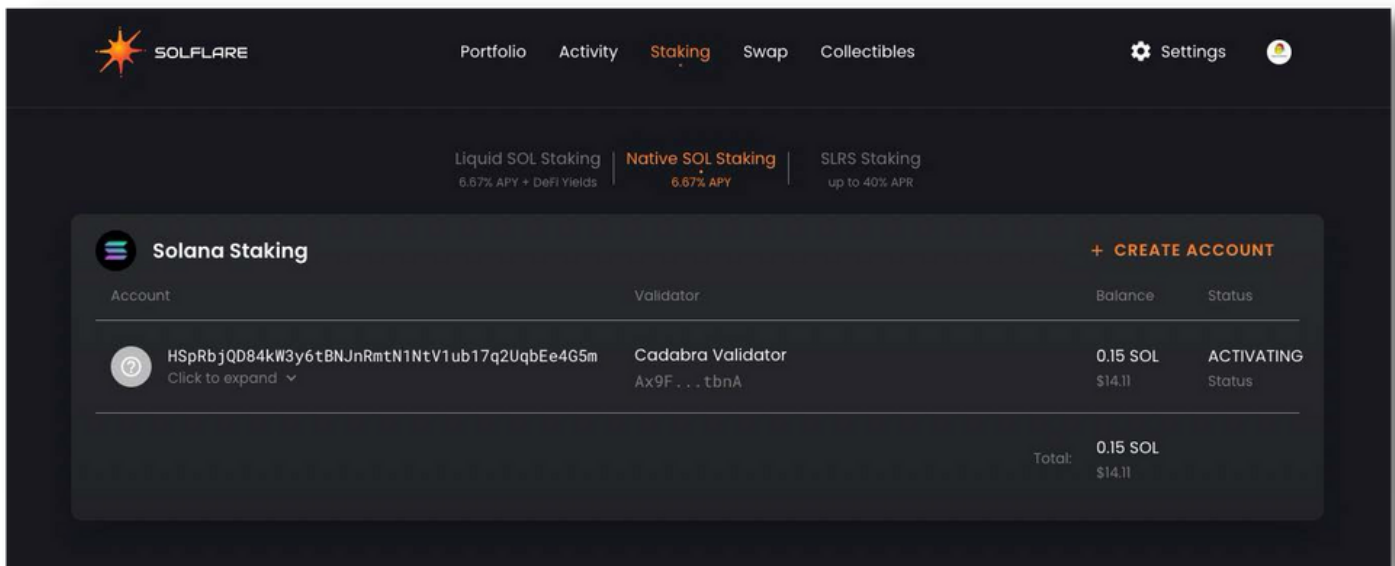
Objective 3: Monitoring Your Staked SOL

Foundry's Validator on [Solana Beach Explorer](#)


Foundry's Validator on [Validators.App Dashboard](#)

Solflare Statistics

- Under the "Staking" and "Native SOL Staking" tabs, click Foundry's validator to see relevant statistics.



The screenshot shows the Solflare Staking dashboard. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Portfolio, Activity, Staking (selected), Swap, and Collectibles. Below these, there are three staking options: Liquid SOL Staking (6.67% APY + DeFi Yields), Native SOL Staking (6.67% APY), and SLRS Staking (up to 40% APR). The Native SOL Staking tab is active, showing a table of staking details.

Solana Staking		+ CREATE ACCOUNT	
Account	Validator	Balance	Status
 HSpRbjQD84kW3y6tBNJnRmtN1NtV1ub17q2UqbEe4G5m Click to expand ▼	Cadabra Validator Ax9F... tbnA	0.15 SOL \$14.11	ACTIVATING Status
Total:		0.15 SOL	\$14.11

For questions, please reach out to staking@foundrydigital.com.