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These are comment lines providing metadata about the workflow file, including its
purpose, author, and date.
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Defines the workflow name that appears in GitHub Actions UI.
Specifies when the workflow runs:
 • on : Defines the trigger event
 • push: Workflow runs on push events
 • branches: [main]: Only triggers when pushes are made to the main branch
     runs-on: ubuntu-22.04
 • jobs : Begins the jobs section
 · deploy: Names this specific job
  • runs-on: Specifies the runner environment (Ubuntu 22.04)
        - name: 🗵 Check Out Source Repository
         uses: actions/checkout@v3.5.1
First step:
 • name: Labels this step in the Actions UI
 • uses: Utilizes the checkout action v3.5.1
 • submodules: true: Fetches Hugo theme submodules
 • fetch-depth: 0: Gets full Git history
         uses: peaceiris/actions-hugo@v2.6.0
Second step:
 • Sets up Hugo using peaceiris's action
 • Specifies Hugo version 0.123.4
  • extended: true: Installs Hugo Extended version (needed for Sass/SCSS)
Third step:
 · Builds the Hugo site
 • -D: Includes draft content
 • --gc: Runs garbage collection
  • --minify: Minifies output files
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github_token: ${{ secrets.GITHUB_TOKEN }}

publish_branch: gh-pages

user_name: "github-actions[bot]"

user_email: "github-actions[bot]@users.noreply.github.com"
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## Final step:

- Uses peaceiris's GitHub Pages action
- github\_token : Uses automatic GitHub token for authentication
- publish\_branch: Deploys to gh-pages branch
- $\bullet \ \ \text{user\_name} \ \ \text{and} \ \ \text{user\_email}: Sets commit author as GitHub \ Actions \ bot$

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## NOTE: uncomment below if using a custom domail
## cname: mydomain.com

## Optional configuration:

- · Commented line for setting up custom domain
- Uncomment and modify if you're using a custom domain for your site

This workflow provides a complete automated pipeline for building and deploying a Hugo site to GitHub Pages. Each push to main will trigger a new build and deployment.

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Peaceiris is a GitHub user/organization known for creating and maintaining several popular GitHub Actions. Their actions are particularly well-known in the static site generation and deployment space.

The two peaceiris actions used in this workflow are:

- 1. peaceiris/actions-hugo@v2.6.0
- · This action sets up the Hugo environment in your workflow
- · It handles downloading and installing the correct Hugo version
- · Very widely used with over 4 million downloads
- 2. peaceiris/actions-gh-pages@v3.9.3
- This action handles deploying static files to GitHub Pages
- It's not just for Hugo it's used with many static site generators
- One of the most popular GitHub Pages deployment actions
- Has over 9 million downloads

Peaceiris's actions are considered some of the most reliable and well-maintained in the GitHub Actions ecosystem, particularly for static site deployment. The maintainer (peaceiris) is very active in the open source community and regularly updates these actions to maintain compatibility and security.

The actions are open source and you can find them on GitHub:

- Hugo action: github.com/peaceiris/actions-hugo
- GitHub Pages action: github.com/peaceiris/actions-gh-pages

These actions have become the de facto standard for Hugo deployments to GitHub Pages due to their reliability, ease of use, and comprehensive documentation.



Is there anything else you'd like to know about the Hugo deployment workflow or GitHub Actions in general? I'd be happy to explain more about specific components or help troubleshoot any issues you might encounter.



