

# How to Publish Your Website

In 60  
seconds

For  
FREE



Maybe not 100% free, this creepy little GitHub Mascot might take your soul

Last weekend I finished a side-project, and shared the repo with my team.

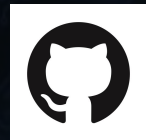
Someone asked – “why don’t you give us a link to try it out? I don’t want to clone it and set it up.”



I'm ashamed to say I didn't even think about that. I thought it takes time, configuration, and some money.

Then I learned about

# GitHub Pages



I know I'm ~10 years late for that party, but maybe I'm not the only one...



# Step #0 – Upload your project

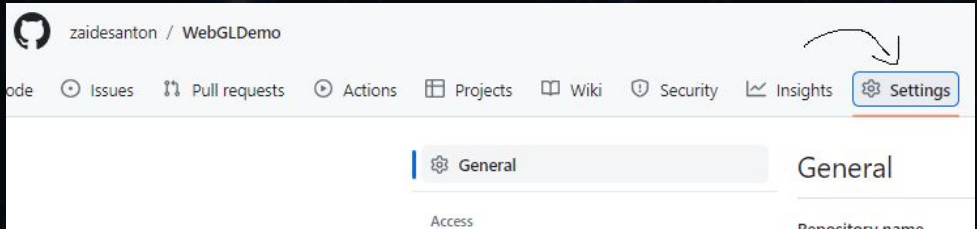
You need your project to be in a GitHub repository for this to work.

If you are not familiar with it, it's explained here:

<https://docs.github.com/en/pages/quickstart>



# Step #1 - Go the settings tab



# Step #2 – Go ‘Pages’

**General**

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## GitHub Pages

GitHub Pages is designed to host your personal, organization, or project website.

### Build and deployment

**Source**

Deploy from a branch

**Branch**

Your GitHub Pages site is currently being built from the main branch.

main / (root) Save

Learn how to [add a Jekyll theme](#) to your site.

### Custom domain

**Custom domain**

Custom domains allow you to serve your site from a domain other than the default GitHub Pages domain.



## Step #3 – Select ‘deploy from a branch’

Build and deployment

Source

Deploy from a branch ▾

GitHub Actions **Beta**

Best for using frameworks and customizing your build process

from the mas

✓ **Deploy from a branch**

Classic Pages experience







# Step #4 - Choose your branch

**Branch**

Your GitHub Pages site is currently being built from the main branch. [Learn more.](#)

 main ▾  / (root) ▾

Select branch ×

✓ main

None

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# Your site is now being published!

You can go to the 'actions' tab to see the progress

The screenshot displays the GitHub Actions interface for a workflow named 'pages build and deployment #4'. The top navigation bar includes links for Code, Issues, Pull requests, Actions (highlighted), Projects, Wiki, Security, Insights, and Settings. The left sidebar shows the workflow's summary and a list of jobs: build, report-build-status, and deploy. The main content area shows the workflow's status as 'In progress', triggered by a re-run 1 minute ago. A table provides details for the workflow run, including the user 'zaidasanton', repository 'aa9d1dd', and status 'In progress'. Below this, a diagram illustrates the workflow steps: 'build' (57s), 'report-build-status' (1s), and 'deploy' (9s). The 'deploy' step is currently active, showing a progress bar and the text 'Deploying to github-pages'.

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pages build and deployment #4

Summary

Jobs

- build
- report-build-status
- deploy

Run details

Usage

Re-run triggered 1 minute ago

Status

Total duration

Artifacts

zaidasanton aa9d1dd In progress - -

pages-build-deployment

on: dynamic

build 57s

report-build-status 1s

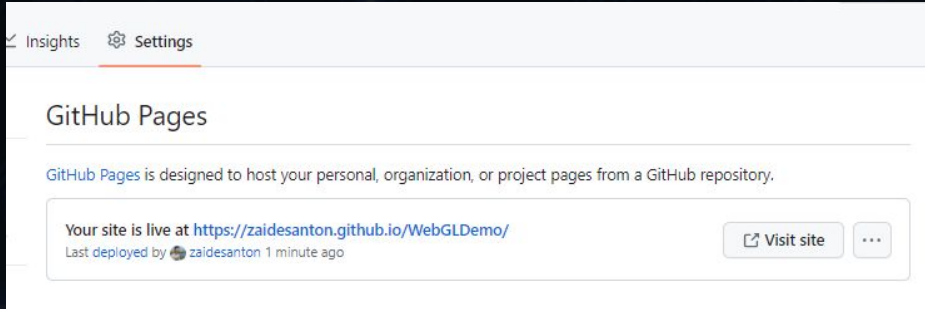
deploy 9s

Deploying to github-pages



# After a minute:

You'll be able to see the link to your website in the settings tab. Let's press it!



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Time: 90s

Click to S



That's not all.

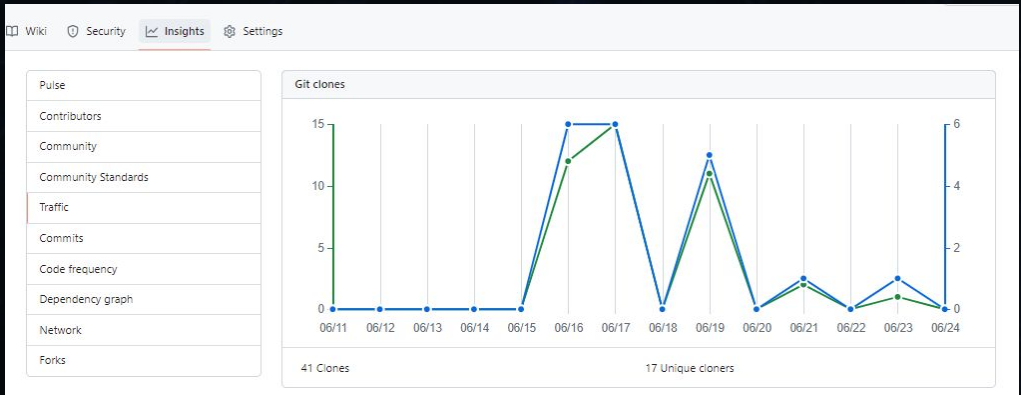
GitHub provides you with detailed statistics about your site.

You can see the number of visits, and the source.

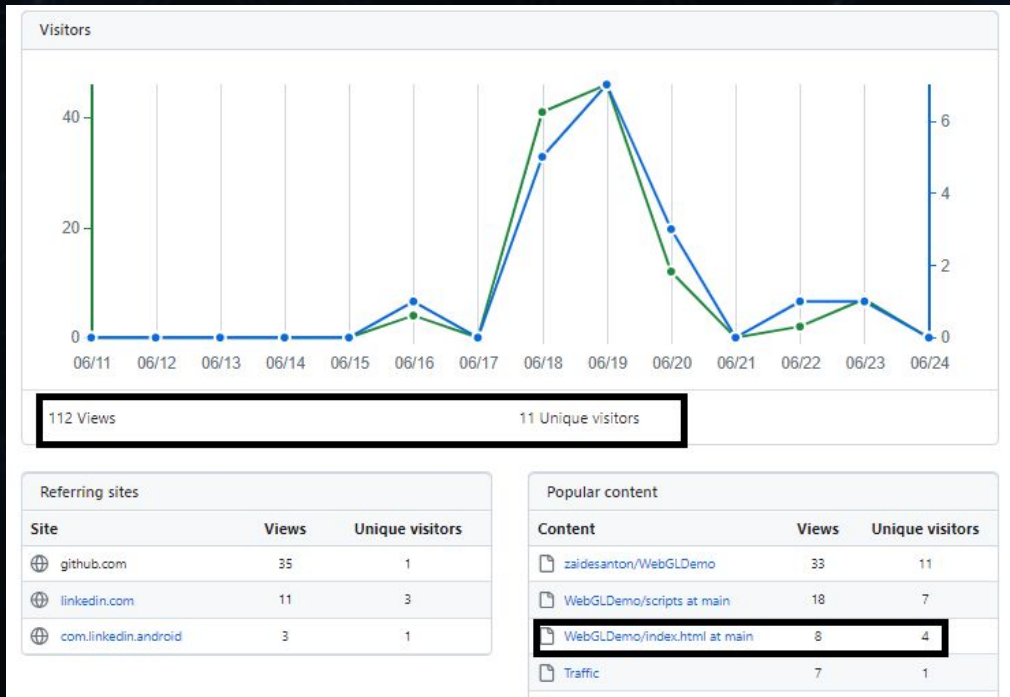


# Go to the 'insights' tab

Under the 'traffic' part, you'll see how your repo is being accessed. You can see how often was it cloned:



And how often each part was visited. You can see here 33 views for the demo, from 11 visitors.



**Share Your Magic**



**With the world!**



# That's it

Students, Juniors, Seniors, Engineering Managers – we all want to share our side projects.

It's useful for a CV, to get feedback, or just show cool stuff to our friends and family. And turns out it's easy!

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