To set up Git on your Windows machine and link it with your GitHub account, follow these steps:

**1. Install Git**

* Download the latest version of Git from the [official website](https://git-scm.com/download/win).
* Run the installer and follow the prompts. Use the default options unless you have specific preferences.

**2. Configure Git**

After installation, you need to configure your Git username and email, which will be used for your commits.

1. Open Git Bash (installed with Git).
2. Run the following commands to set your username and email:

bash

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git config --global user.name "Your Name"

git config --global user.email "your.email@example.com"

**3. Generate an SSH Key**

If you prefer using SSH over HTTPS for your GitHub repositories (recommended for better security):

1. In Git Bash, generate a new SSH key:

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ssh-keygen -t ed25519 -C "your.email@example.com"

If your machine does not support ed25519, use rsa instead:

bash

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ssh-keygen -t rsa -b 4096 -C "your.email@example.com"

1. When prompted, press Enter to accept the default file location. You can also set a passphrase for added security.
2. Add the SSH key to the SSH agent:

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eval "$(ssh-agent -s)"

ssh-add ~/.ssh/id\_ed25519

1. Copy the SSH key to your clipboard:

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clip < ~/.ssh/id\_ed25519.pub

**4. Add the SSH Key to Your GitHub Account**

* Log in to your GitHub account.
* Go to **Settings > SSH and GPG keys**.
* Click **New SSH key**, paste your key into the field, and give it a title.
* Click **Add SSH key**.

**5. Verify the Connection**

To verify that your SSH key is correctly configured, run:

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ssh -T git@github.com

If everything is set up correctly, you'll see a message like:

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Hi username! You've successfully authenticated, but GitHub does not provide shell access.

**6. Cloning a Repository**

Now, you can clone a repository using SSH:

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git clone git@github.com:username/repository.git

Replace username with your GitHub username and repository with the name of the repository.

**7. Additional Git Configuration (Optional)**

* **Default Branch**: Set the default branch name to main:

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git config --global init.defaultBranch main

* **Credential Caching**: To avoid entering your credentials repeatedly, enable credential caching:

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git config --global credential.helper cache

That's it! Your Git is now set up on your Windows machine and connected to your GitHub account. You can start using it for version control and collaborating on projects.

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To pull and push code from a Git repository using Git on your Windows machine, follow these steps:

**1. Navigate to Your Project Directory**

Open Git Bash and use the cd command to navigate to the directory of your project. For example:

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cd /path/to/your/project

**2. Pull the Latest Changes**

Before making any changes, it's a good practice to pull the latest changes from the remote repository to ensure your local copy is up-to-date.

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git pull origin main

* Replace main with the name of the branch you want to pull from if it's different.
* This command fetches and merges changes from the main branch of the remote repository.

**3. Make Your Changes**

Edit your files as needed. You can use any code editor or IDE.

**4. Check the Status**

To see what changes have been made since the last commit:

bash

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git status

This will show you the files that have been modified, added, or deleted.

**5. Stage the Changes**

To prepare the changes for commit, you need to stage them. You can stage all the changes using:

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git add .

* This stages all modified, new, and deleted files.
* If you want to stage specific files, use:

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git add file1 file2

**6. Commit Your Changes**

After staging, you need to commit your changes with a message describing what you did:

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git commit -m "Your commit message"

* Make the commit message meaningful so others (and your future self) understand the changes.

**7. Push the Changes to the Remote Repository**

Finally, push your changes to the remote repository:

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git push origin main

* Replace main with the branch name if you're working on a different branch.
* This command uploads your local commits to the remote repository.

**8. Creating and Switching Branches (Optional)**

If you're working on a feature or bugfix, you might want to create and switch to a new branch:

* Create a new branch:

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git checkout -b feature-branch-name

* Switch to an existing branch:

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git checkout branch-name

* After making changes, push the new branch to the remote repository:

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git push origin feature-branch-name

**9. Resolving Conflicts (If Any)**

If there are conflicts when pulling or pushing changes, Git will notify you. You'll need to resolve these conflicts manually by editing the conflicting files. After resolving the conflicts:

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git add .

git commit -m "Resolved merge conflicts"

git push origin main

Now, you should be able to pull and push code seamlessly with Git and GitHub on your Windows machine!

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