# **Git Cheat Sheet**



#### **GIT BASICS**

git init <directory></directory>	Create empty Git repo in specified directory. Run with no arguments to initialize the current directory as a git repository.
git clone <repo></repo>	Clone repo located at <repo> onto local machine. Original repo can be located on the local filesystem or on a remote machine via HTTP or SSH.</repo>
git config user.name <name></name>	Define author name to be used for all commits in current repo. Devs commonly use —global flag to set config options for current user.
git add <directory></directory>	Stage all changes in <directory> for the next commit. Replace <directory> with a <file> to change a specific file.</file></directory></directory>
git commit -m " <message>"</message>	Commit the staged snapshot, but instead of launching a text editor, use <message> as the commit message.</message>
git status	List which files are staged, unstaged, and untracked.
git log	Display the entire commit history using the default format. For customization see additional options.
git diff	Show unstaged changes between your index and working directory.

#### **UNDOING CHANGES**

git revert <commit></commit>	Create new commit that undoes all of the changes made in <commit>, then apply it to the current branch.</commit>
git reset <file></file>	Remove <file> from the staging area, but leave the working directory unchanged. This unstages a file without overwriting any changes.</file>
git clean -n	Shows which files would be removed from working directory.  Use the -f flag in place of the -n flag to execute the clean.

#### **REWRITING GIT HISTORY**

git commit amend	Replace the last commit with the staged changes and last commit combined. Use with nothing staged to edit the last commit's message.
git rebase <base/>	Rebase the current branch onto <base/> . <base/> can be a commit ID, branch name, a tag, or a relative reference to HEAD.
git reflog	Show a log of changes to the local repository's HEAD.  Addrelative-date flag to show date info orall to show all refs.

#### **GIT BRANCHES**

git branch	List all of the branches in your repo. Add a <branch> argument to create a new branch with the name <branch>.</branch></branch>
git checkout -b <branch></branch>	Create and check out a new branch named <branch>.  Drop the -b flag to checkout an existing branch.</branch>
git merge <branch></branch>	Merge <branch> into the current branch.</branch>

#### **REMOTE REPOSITORIES**

git remote add <name> <url></url></name>	Create a new connection to a remote repo. After adding a remote, you can use <name> as a shortcut for <url> in other commands.</url></name>
git fetch <remote> <branch></branch></remote>	Fetches a specific <branch>, from the repo. Leave off <branch> to fetch all remote refs.</branch></branch>
git pull <remote></remote>	Fetch the specified remote's copy of current branch and immediately merge it into the local copy.
git push <remote> <branch></branch></remote>	Push the branch to <remote>, along with necessary commits and objects. Creates named branch in the remote repo if it doesn't exist.</remote>



## Additional Options +

#### **GIT CONFIG**

git configglobal user.name <name></name>	Define the author name to be used for all commits by the current user.
git configglobal user.email <email></email>	Define the author email to be used for all commits by the current user.
<pre>git configglobal alias. <alias-name> <git-command></git-command></alias-name></pre>	Create shortcut for a Git command. E.g. alias.glog "loggraphoneline" will set "git glog" equivalent to "git loggraphoneline.
git config —system core.editor <editor></editor>	Set text editor used by commands for all users on the machine. <editor> arg should be the command that launches the desired editor (e.g., vi).</editor>
git config globaledit	Open the global configuration file in a text editor for manual editing.

#### **GIT LOG**

git log - <limit></limit>	Limit number of commits by <1imit>.  E.g. "git log -5" will limit to 5 commits.
git logoneline	Condense each commit to a single line.
git log -p	Display the full diff of each commit.
git logstat	Include which files were altered and the relative number of lines that were added or deleted from each of them.
<pre>git logauthor= "<pattern>"</pattern></pre>	Search for commits by a particular author.
git log grep=" <pattern>"</pattern>	Search for commits with a commit message that matches <pattern>.</pattern>
<pre>git log <since><until></until></since></pre>	Show commits that occur between <since> and <until>. Args can be a commit ID, branch name, HEAD, or any other kind of revision reference.</until></since>
git log <file></file>	Only display commits that have the specified file.
git loggraph decorate	graph flag draws a text based graph of commits on left side of commit msgsdecorate adds names of branches or tags of commits shown.

#### **GIT DIFF**

git diff HEAD	Show difference between working directory and last commit.
git diffcached	Show difference between staged changes and last commit

#### **GIT RESET**

git reset	Reset staging area to match most recent commit, but leave the working directory unchanged.
git reset <del>hard</del>	Reset staging area and working directory to match most recent commit and <b>overwrites all changes</b> in the working directory.
git reset <commit></commit>	Move the current branch tip backward to <commit>, reset the staging area to match, but leave the working directory alone.</commit>
git resethard <commit></commit>	Same as previous, but resets both the staging area & working directory to match. <b>Deletes</b> uncommitted changes, and <b>all commits after</b> <commit>.</commit>

#### **GIT REBASE**

git rebase -i	Interactively rebase current branch onto <base/> . Launches editor to enter
<base/>	commands for how each commit will be transferred to the new base.

#### **GIT PULL**

git pullrebase	Fetch the remote's copy of current branch and rebases it into the local
<remote></remote>	copy. Uses git rebase instead of merge to integrate the branches.

#### **GIT PUSH**

git push <remote>force</remote>	Forces the git push even if it results in a non-fast-forward merge. Do not use the —force flag unless you're absolutely sure you know what you're doing.
git push <remote>all</remote>	Push all of your local branches to the specified remote.
git push <remote></remote>	Tags aren't automatically pushed when you push a branch or use theall flag. Thetags flag sends all of your local tags to the remote repo.



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## 01 Git configuration

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

Set the name that will be attached to your commits and tags.

\$ git config --global user.email "you@example.com"

Set the e-mail address that will be attached to your commits and tags.

\$ git config --global color.ui auto

Enable some colorization of Git output.

## 02 Starting A Project

#### \$ git init [project name]

Create a new local repository. If **[project name]** is provided, Git will create a new directory name **[project name]** and will initialize a repository inside it. If **[project name]** is not provided, then a new repository is initialized in the current directory.

#### \$ git clone [project url]

Downloads a project with the entire history from the remote repository.

## 03 Day-To-Day Work

#### \$ git status

Displays the status of your working directory. Options include new, staged, and modified files. It will retrieve branch name, current commit identifier, and changes pending commit.

#### \$ git add [file]

Add a file to the **staging** area. Use in place of the full file path to add all changed files from the **current directory** down into the **directory tree**.

#### \$ git diff [file]

Show changes between working directory and staging area.

#### \$ git diff --staged [file]

Shows any changes between the staging area and the repository.

#### \$ git checkout -- [file]

Discard changes in **working directory**. This operation is **unrecoverable**.

#### \$ git reset [file]

Revert your **repository** to a previous known working state.

#### \$ git commit

Create a new **commit** from changes added to the **staging area**. The **commit** must have a message!

#### \$ git rm [file]

Remove file from working directory and staging area.

#### \$ git stash

Put current changes in your working directory into stash for later use.

#### \$ git stash pop

Apply stored **stash** content into **working directory**, and clear **stash**.

#### \$ git stash drop

Delete a specific stash from all your previous stashes.

## 04 Git branching model

#### \$ git branch [-a]

List all local branches in repository. With **-a**: show all branches (with remote).

#### \$ git branch [branch\_name]

Create new branch, referencing the current **HEAD**.

#### \$ git checkout [-b][branch\_name]

Switch **working directory** to the specified branch. With **-b**: Git will create the specified branch if it does not exist.

#### \$ git merge [from name]

Join specified **[from name]** branch into your current branch (the one you are on currently).

#### \$ git branch -d [name]

Remove selected branch, if it is already merged into any other.

-D instead of -d forces deletion.

## 05 Review your work

#### \$ git log [-n count]

List commit history of current branch. **-n count** limits list to last **n** commits.

#### \$ git log --oneline --graph --decorate

An overview with reference labels and history graph. One commit per line.

#### \$ git log ref..

List commits that are present on the current branch and not merged into **ref**. A **ref** can be a branch name or a tag name.

#### \$ git log ..ref

List commit that are present on **ref** and not merged into current branch.

#### \$ git reflog

List operations (e.g. checkouts or commits) made on local repository.

## 06 Tagging known commits

#### \$ git tag

List all tags.

#### \$ git tag [name] [commit sha]

Create a tag reference named **name** for current commit. Add **commit sha** to tag a specific commit instead of current one.

#### \$ git tag -a [name] [commit sha]

Create a tag object named **name** for current commit.

#### \$ git tag -d [name]

Remove a tag from local repository.

## **07 Reverting changes**

#### \$ git reset [--hard] [target reference]

Switches the current branch to the **target reference**, leaving a difference as an uncommitted change. When **--hard** is used, all changes are discarded.

#### \$ git revert [commit sha]

Create a new commit, reverting changes from the specified commit. It generates an **inversion** of changes.

## 08 Synchronizing repositories

#### \$ git fetch [remote]

Fetch changes from the **remote**, but not update tracking branches.

#### \$ git fetch --prune [remote]

Delete remote Refs that were removed from the **remote** repository.

#### \$ git pull [remote]

Fetch changes from the **remote** and merge current branch with its upstream.

#### \$ git push [--tags] [remote]

Push local changes to the **remote**. Use **--tags** to push tags.

#### \$ git push -u [remote] [branch]

Push local branch to **remote** repository. Set its copy as an upstream.

**Commit** an object

**Branch** a reference to a commit; can have a **tracked upstream** 

**Tag** a reference (standard) or an object (annotated)

**Head** a place where your **working directory** is now

## A Git installation

For GNU/Linux distributions, Git should be available in the standard system repository. For example, in Debian/Ubuntu please type in the **terminal**:

#### \$ sudo apt-get install git

If you need to install Git from source, you can get it from git-scm.com/downloads.

An excellent Git course can be found in the great **Pro Git** book by Scott Chacon and Ben Straub. The book is available online for free at <a href="mailto:git-scm.com/book">git-scm.com/book</a>.

## **B** Ignoring Files

# \$ cat .gitignore /logs/\* !logs/.gitkeep /tmp \*.swp

Verify the .gitignore file exists in your project and ignore certain type of files, such as all files in **logs** directory (excluding the **.gitkeep** file), whole **tmp** directory and all files \*.swp. File ignoring will work for the directory (and children directories) where .gitignore file is placed.

## D The zoo of working areas



