

The Gatsby CLI tool lets you install **starters**, which are boilerplate Gatsby sites maintained by the community and intended for jump-starting development quickly.

## Installing starters

Execute the `gatsby new` command to clone a boilerplate starter, install its dependencies, and clear Git history.

### Using Git repo URLs

When creating a new Gatsby site, you can optionally specify a starter to base your new site on; they can come from any publicly available Git repo, such as GitHub, GitLab, or Bitbucket. You can supply the

`[URL_OF_STARTER_GIT_REPO]` directly:

```
gatsby new [SITE_DIRECTORY] [URL_OF_STARTER_GIT_REPO]
```

For example, to create a site in a `blog` directory with Gatsby Starter Blog from its GitHub URL:

```
gatsby new blog https://github.com/gatsbyjs/gatsby-starter-blog
```

This downloads the files and initializes the site by running `npm install`.

### Using GitHub usernames and repos instead of URLs

Alternatively, you can also supply a GitHub username and repository:

```
gatsby new [SITE_DIRECTORY] [GITHUB_USER_NAME/REPO]
```

Here is an example with the `[GITHUB_USER_NAME/REPO]` format:

```
gatsby new blog gatsbyjs/gatsby-starter-blog
```

This also downloads the files and initializes the site by running `npm install`.

If you don't specify a custom starter, your site will be created from the [default starter](#).

**Note:** If you work for an Enterprise-level company where you are unable to pull from public GitHub repositories, you can still set up Gatsby. Check out the [docs to learn more](#).

### Using a local starter

Another option is to supply a path (relative or absolute) to a local folder containing a starter:

```
gatsby new [SITE_DIRECTORY] [LOCAL_PATH_TO_STARTER]
```

Here is an example assuming a starter exists on the path `./Code/my-local-starter`:

```
gatsby new blog ./Code/my-local-starter
```

## Official starters

Official starters are maintained by Gatsby.

Starter	Demo/Docs	Use case	Features
<a href="#">gatsby-starter-default</a>	<a href="#">Demo</a>	Appropriate for most use cases	General Gatsby site
<a href="#">gatsby-starter-blog</a>	<a href="#">Demo</a>	Create a basic blog	Blog post pages and listings
<a href="#">gatsby-starter-hello-world</a>	<a href="#">Demo</a>	Learn Gatsby	Gatsby bare essentials
<a href="#">gatsby-starter-blog-theme</a>	<a href="#">Docs</a>	Blog posts and pages	Gatsby themes
<a href="#">gatsby-starter-theme-workspace</a>	<a href="#">Docs</a>	Building Gatsby Themes	Minimal theme workspace

## Modifying starters

Learn [how to modify a starter](#) in the Gatsby docs. You can use official and community starters out of the box but you may want to customize their style and functionality.

## Making starters

Learn [how to make a starter](#) in the Gatsby docs. Starters can be created for your team(s) only or distributed to the broader community. It's up to you!

## Community starters

Community starters are created and maintained by Gatsby community members.

- Looking for a starter for a particular use case? Browse starters that have been submitted to the [Starter Library](#).

**Note:** Showcase and starter contributions are currently paused while the Gatsby team develops a new workflow for sharing your Gatsby sites with the community.