

# How to Use Git and GitHub

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### Changing background color


If you prefer the background color of Git Bash to be something other than black, you can change it in the "Defaults" menu under the "Colors" tab. If you like the background color as-is, you don't need to make any changes.

### Downloading necessary files

- Save [this file](#) in your home directory with the name `git-completion.bash`.
- Save [this file](#) in your home directory with the name `git-prompt.sh`.
- Download `bash_profile_course` from the Downloadables section.
- If you already have a file in your home directory named `.bash_profile`, copy the content from `bash_profile_course` and paste it at the bottom of `.bash_profile`. Otherwise, move `bash_profile_course` to your home directory and rename it to `.bash_profile`. (If you're curious to learn more about how bash prompts work, see [this page](#).)

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## Making Git configurations

Run the following Git configuration commands. The first one will need to be modified if you are using a text editor other than Sublime, or if Sublime is installed in another location for you. See [this page](#) for the correct command for a couple of other popular text editors. For any other editor, you'll need to enter the command you use to launch that editor from Git Bash.

```
git config --global core.editor "'C:/Program Files
git config --global push.default upstream
git config --global merge.conflictstyle diff3
```

## Make sure you can start your editor from Git Bash

If you use Sublime, you can do this by adding the following line to your `.bash_profile`:

```
alias subl="C:/Program\ Files/Sublime\ Text\ 2/sub
```

## Restart Git Bash

You'll need to close and re-open Git Bash before all your changes take effect.

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