

Caching your GitHub credentials in Git

If you're [cloning GitHub repositories using HTTPS](#), you can use a credential helper to tell Git to remember your credentials.

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If you clone GitHub repositories using SSH, then you authenticate using an SSH key instead of using other credentials. For information about setting up an SSH connection, see "[Generating an SSH Key](#)."

Tip: You need Git **1.7.10** or newer to use the credential helper.

You can also install a native Git shell, such as [Git for Windows](#). With Git for Windows, running the following in the command line will store your credentials:

```
$ git config --global credential.helper wincred
```

Further reading

- "[Updating credentials from the OSX Keychain](#)"
- "[Creating a personal access token](#)"

