





The ultimate Git Cheatsheet





DOWNLOADING & INITIALIZATION

Initialize an existing directory as a Git repository

\$ git init

Clone (download) a repository that already exists on GitHub, including all of the files, branches, and commits

\$ git clone [repo_url]

After using the git init command, link the local repository to an empty GitHub repository using the following command:

\$ git remote add origin [url]





SETUP CREDENTIALS

Set a Username

\$ git config --global user.name "[firstname
lastname]"

Set an Email address

\$ git config --global user.email "[valid-email]"





BRANCHES

To check which branch that is

\$ git branch

Creates a new branch

\$ git branch [branch-name]

Creates a new branch & switch to that branch using one command only

\$ git checkout -b [branch-name]

Deletes the specified branch

\$ git branch -d [branch-name]





STAGE & SNAPSHOT

Show modified files in working directory, staged for your next commit

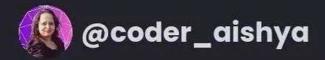
\$ git status

Add a file as it looks now to your next commit (stage)

\$ git add [file_name]

Add all changed files to staging area

\$ git add .





Commit your staged content as a new commit snapshot

\$ git commit -m "[descriptive message]"

Updates your current local working branch with all new commits from the corresponding remote branch on GitHub. git pull is a combination of git fetch and git merge

\$ git pull origin <branch_name>

Uploads all local branch commits to GitHub

\$ git push origin <branch_name>





Synchronize your local repository with the remote repository on GitHub.com

\$ git fetch

MERGING

Merge

branch> into the current branch

\$ git merge <branch_name>

THE .GITIGNORE FILE

Sometimes it may be a good idea to exclude files from being tracked with Git. This is typically done in a special file named .gitignore.





REDO COMMITS

Reset staging area to match most recent commit, but leave the working directory unchanged.

\$ git reset

Reset staging area and working directory to match most recent commit and overwrites all changes in the working directory.

\$ git reset --hard

Create new commit that undoes all of the changes made in , then apply it to the current branch.

\$ git revert <commit>





TEMPORARY COMMITS

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

\$ git stash

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

\$ git stash pop

Delete a specific stash from all your previous stashes

\$ git stash drop



