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CheatSheet - Setup Github on Visual Studio Code

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I usually access github from within Visual Studio Code. As such, when I start coding a new project, I often need a reminder, or a cheat sheet for how to connect Visual Studio Code to a Git repository. These notes are more for me than for anyone else, but I'm sharing them nonetheless.

Steps:

1. Create a directory on the local file system.
2. Create a repo on Github.
3. Select Clone "Clone or download" on Github, copy the link
4. In Visual Studio Code, select File -> Add Folder to Workspace
-> Select the newly created directory
5. Select Terminal Window
6. In the window, type:

```
git config --global user.name <github  
userID>
```

```
git clone <URL from github link copied  
earlier>
```

That should be all that's required. any newly created file should be available on github after stage/commit/push.

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Giuseppe 4 months ago · 0 Likes

Hello, what if the folder with the files of a software project has to be uploaded for the first time to GitHub with Visual code?



Beverly 8 months ago · 0 Likes

Not working



Tommy Craft 8 months ago · 0 Likes

When I do this, I end up with a subdirectory under the folder I created in step 1, rather than it just using the folder I created.



Nathaniel Avery 8 months ago

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I'll walk through this again to see if I should be more clear in the steps, or if I've left out a step. Thank you!



MikeF 8 months ago · 0 Likes

Thanks, this was what I needed to get my files to upload to Github from VSC. I kept trying over and over to do it from within VSC but it seems like the project has to be started from Github itself to get the link, VSC can't create anything there even with the credentials being entered. :/



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