

# Git Flow

## 2. Release Branches

- Once a predetermined release date is approaching, a **release** branch off of **develop** is forked.
- A **release** branch adds only bug fixes, documentation generation, and release-oriented tasks.
- Once a **release** is ready, it gets merged into **master** and **tagged** with a version number.
- It also should be merged back into **develop** because critical updates may have been added to the release.

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