Complete Git Commands Guide

This document compiles all key Git commands with their uses and examples.

1. git init

Initialize a new Git repository

git init

Initialize in a specific directory

git init my-project

Initialize with a specific branch name

git init -b main

Check initialized repository

git status

2. git add

Add a single file

git add file.txt

Add all changes

git add .

Add all changes including untracked files

git add -A

Add files interactively

git add -p

Add a directory

git add src/

3. git commit

Basic commit

git commit -m "Add new feature"

Commit all changes

git commit -a -m "Update all modified files"

Amend previous commit

git commit --amend -m "Correct previous commit message"

Commit with verbose output

git commit -v

Commit only specific files

git commit file1.txt file2.txt -m "Commit selected files"

4. git push

Basic push

git push

Push a specific branch

git push origin main

Set upstream for branch

git push -u origin feature-branch

Force push

git push --force origin main

Push tags

git push --tags

5. git pull

Basic pull

git pull

Pull from a specific branch

git pull origin main

Rebase instead of merge

git pull --rebase origin main

Pull with verbose output

git pull --verbose

Pull with specific strategy

git pull -s recursive origin main

6. git branch

List all branches

git branch

Create a new branch

git branch feature-branch

Switch to a branch

git checkout feature-branch

Create and switch to a new branch

git checkout -b feature-branch

Delete a branch

git branch -d feature-branch

Force delete a branch

git branch -D feature-branch

7. git log

Basic log

git log

One-line log

git log --oneline

Show graph of branches

git log --graph --oneline --all

Show commits by author

git log --author="John Doe"

Show changes in commits

git log -p

8. git checkout

Switch to a branch

git checkout main

Create and switch to a new branch

git checkout -b feature-branch

Checkout a specific commit

git checkout a1b2c3d4

Restore a file from a commit or branch

git checkout main -- file.txt

Switch back to previous branch

git checkout -

9. git status

Basic status

git status

Show branch info

git status

Short status

git status -s

Show ignored files

git status --ignored

Show branch and upstream info

git status -b

10. git reset

Basic reset

git reset a1b2c3d4

Soft reset

git reset --soft a1b2c3d4

Mixed reset (default)

git reset --mixed a1b2c3d4

Hard reset

git reset --hard a1b2c3d4

Reset a single file

git reset HEAD file.txt

11. git revert

Basic revert

git revert a1b2c3d4

Revert without committing

git revert --no-commit a1b2c3d4

Short form revert

git revert -n a1b2c3d4

Revert multiple commits

git revert a1b2c3d4..e5f6g7h8

Edit revert commit message

git revert --edit a1b2c3d4

12. git rm

Remove a file

git rm file.txt

Remove a file from index only

git rm --cached file.txt

Remove multiple files

git rm file1.txt file2.txt

Remove files with wildcard

git rm *.log

Force remove a file

git rm -f file.txt