

# Creating A GitHub Account



Let's start by making an account on GitHub <https://github.com/>, GitHub is a web-based version-control and collaboration platform for software developers and is operated by Microsoft.



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Create a GitHub account by filling out your information in GitHub's adventure styled form.

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Welcome to GitHub!  
Let's begin the adventure
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Enter your email
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Create a password
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Enter a username
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Would you like to receive product updates and announcements via  
email?
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Type "y" for yes or "n" for no
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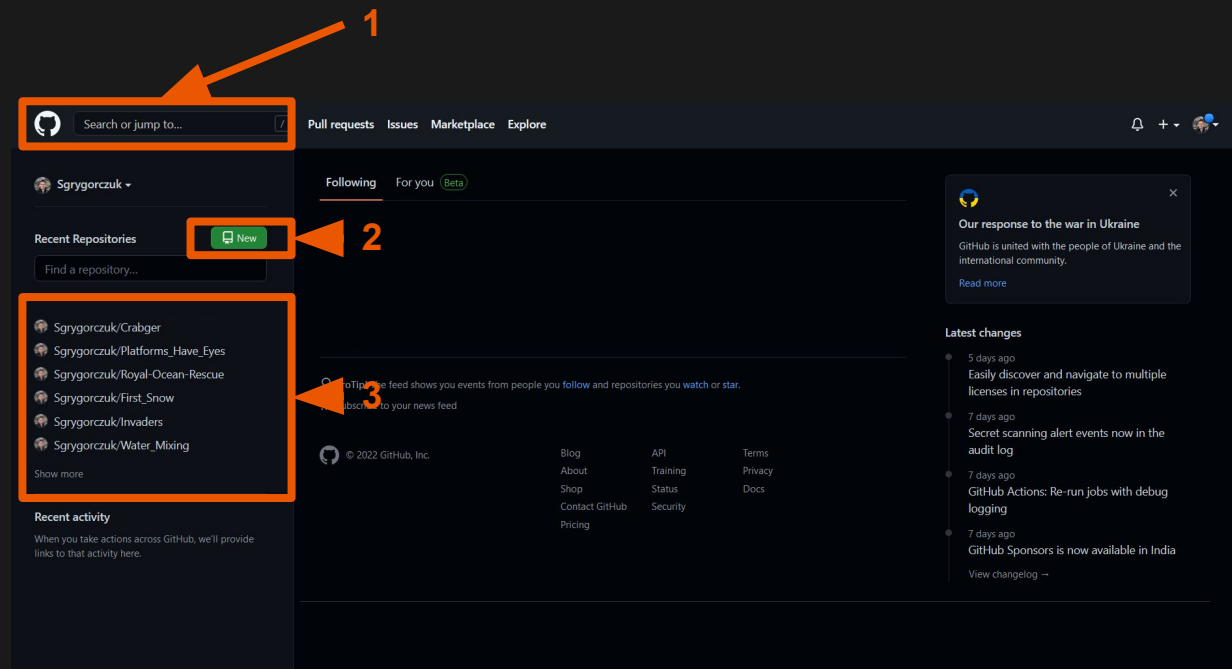


Once you're done setting up your details you will be sent to the Landing Page. Let's go over few of it's features

[1] the search bar allow you to browse through everything that is publicly stored on GitHub. All of the code you find here is called Open-Sourced, means it's available for everyone to access and modify. There may be limitations depending on project, check the ReadMe attached to the project.

[2] Creating a new Repository, repositories are just folders.

[3] History of Recent Work, will allow you for quick access to whatever you're working on.



# Downloading GitHub Desktop

The way a lot of people work with VCS is by using the Command Line, although giving you greater control over how and what you are doing it can be very overwhelming to have to move folders and uploading project files using command line prompts.

To alleviate that we will download GitHub Desktop which we will connect to the GitHub account we just made to have a visual way to control our files.

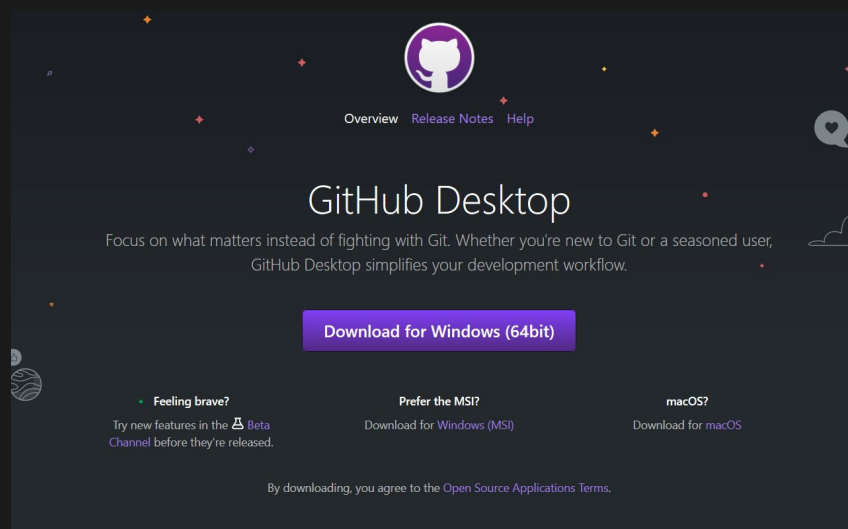
Go to <https://desktop.github.com/> select the system you're working on and download the program.

Anyone feeling more daring and wants to use the Command line can use this [Cheat Sheet](#).



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Command Prompt
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.19044.1706]
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C:\Users\sgryg>
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# GitHub Desktop

Once GitHub Desktop is installed you will be met with this page.

First thing we're going to do is connect you to the GitHub account we just made.

Click on [1] the File in the Toolbar and then select [2] Options.

Alternatively you can just click **Ctrl + ,**

From there you'll receive the [3] PopUp, click sign in. It's going to send you to your browser and since you've just made your account and should still be logged in it will automatically connect.

