

Git and GitHub

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Chapter 1: What is Git and GitHub?

◆ Git

- A **version control system** for managing code changes.
- Saves **snapshots** of your code over time.
- Works like a **timeline** with commits as checkpoints.
- Organized like a **tree** — with one main branch and other feature branches.
- Alternate branches let you work independently without disturbing the **main**.

◆ GitHub

- A **web-based platform** for hosting Git repositories.
 - Uses Git to manage code, but everything is stored in the **cloud**.
 - Allows collaboration, code review, and project management.
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Chapter 2: Install Git

Windows

- Use the **Git Installer** from the official Git website.

Mac

- Use **Homebrew** (recommended):

```
brew install git
```

Configure Git

```
git config --list                # View current configuration
git config --global user.name "Your Name"
git config --global user.email "your@email.com"
```

If stuck in terminal: use **:q** or **ctrl + c** to quit.

Chapter 3: **git init**

- Initializes a new Git repository in the current folder:

```
git init
```

- Create a README file:

```
echo "README File Content" >> README.md
```

- In VS Code, `.git` folder might be hidden. To show:
 1. Go to **Settings** > search `files.exclude`.
 2. Locate `.git`, click **Edit** and remove it.
- To remove Git from a project, delete the `.git` folder.

+ Chapter 4: `git add`

```
git add .           # Adds all changes
git add filename    # Adds specific file
git reset .         # Unstages all changes
```

- `A` icon indicates **added file** in VS Code.

Chapter 5: `git status`

- Shows the state of the working directory and staging area.

Green `U` = **Untracked**

Yellow `M` = **Modified**

- Ignore files using `.gitignore`:

```
echo "filename" >> .gitignore
```

Chapter 6: `git commit`

```
git commit -m "Your message"
```

- Save snapshot with a message.

- To skip `git add`:

```
git commit -am "Message"
```

- Use `git log` to view commit history:
 - Shows commit ID, branch, author, time, and message.
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💡 Chapter 7: VS Code Tips

- Use the **Source Control Panel** to:
 - View staged and unstaged changes.
 - Execute Git commands via UI.
 - See diffs between current and previous versions.
 - Install **GitLens** for better visualization in collaborative projects.
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🌐 Chapter 8: `git remote`

- Link your local repo to GitHub:

```
git remote add origin <GitHub-Repo-Link>
```

- View remotes:

```
git remote  
git remote show origin
```

🚀 Chapter 9: `git push`

- Push local commits to GitHub:

```
git push -u origin master
```

`-u` sets the upstream branch.

🔄 Chapter 10: `git merge`

- Sync local with remote:
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```
git fetch
git merge origin/master
```

Chapter 11: `git pull`

- Fetch + Merge in one:

```
git pull
```

Not always recommended for resolving conflicts.

Chapter 12: `git clone`

- Clone a GitHub repo:

```
git clone <repo-link> [custom-folder-name]
```

- Use `git log` to view commit history.

Chapter 13: GitHub Codespaces

- Press `.` on any GitHub repo page to open in **Codespaces** (VS Code online).

Note: This is a **paid service**.

Chapter 14: `git branch`

- View branches:

```
git branch
```

- Create and delete branches:

```
git branch <branch-name>
git branch -d <branch-name>    # Only deletes if fully merged
git branch -D <branch-name>    # Force deletes
```

- Rename current branch to `main`:
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```
git branch -M main
```

Chapter 15: git checkout

- Switch branches:

```
git checkout <branch-name>
git checkout -b <branch-name>    # Create and switch
git checkout -                    # Switch to previous branch
```

Chapter 16: Merge Conflicts

- If conflicts arise during merging, Git will notify.
- To abort merge:

```
git merge --abort
```

- You can resolve manually by selecting:
 - **Current** (main)
 - **Incoming** (feature)
 - **Both**

Chapter 17: git fork

- Fork = Copy someone's repo to your GitHub account.
- You can make changes and submit a **Pull Request** for review.

Chapter 18: Pull Requests

1. Fork and clone the repo.
2. Create a new branch.
3. Push your changes.
4. Submit a pull request on GitHub.

To sync with original repo:

```
git remote add upstream <original-repo-link>
git fetch upstream
git rebase upstream/master
```

◀ Chapter 19: `git reset`

- Undo commits:

```
git reset
git reset <commit-id>
git reset --hard <commit-id>
```

`--hard` removes all commits **after** the given ID.

↶ Chapter 20: `git revert`

- Undo a commit (safely):

```
git revert <commit-id>
```

Creates a new commit that reverses the changes.

🔧 Chapter 21: `git commit --amend`

- Change last commit message or add files:

```
git commit --amend -m "New message"
```

📁 Chapter 22: `git stash`

- Temporarily save changes:

```
git stash                # Stash current changes
git stash save "stashname" # Optional naming
git stash list           # View stashes
git stash apply [index]  # Apply specific stash
git stash pop            # Apply and remove
```

🧬 Chapter 23: `git rebase`

- Re-apply commits on top of another branch:
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```
git rebase master
```

Used to maintain a clean history.

Chapter 24: Git Squash

- Combine multiple commits into one:

```
git rebase -i master
```

- Change **pick** to **squash** in the interactive prompt.
 - Save and confirm commit message.
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✅ That's a wrap!

You've now covered all the core commands to work efficiently with Git and GitHub 🚀