

This is intended as a quick reference and showcase. For more complete info, see [John Gruber’s original spec](#) and the [Github-flavored Markdown info page](#).

Note that there is also a [Cheatsheet specific to Markdown Here](#) if that’s what you’re looking for.

You can play around with Markdown on our [live demo page](#).

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Headers

```
# H1
## H2
### H3
#### H4
##### H5
##### H6
```

Alternatively, for H1 and H2, an underline-ish style:

```
Alt-H1
=====

Alt-H2
-----
```



```
[I'm an inline-style link](https://www.google.com)

[I'm an inline-style link with title](https://www.google.com "Google's
↪ Homepage")

[I'm a reference-style link][Arbitrary case-insensitive reference text]

[I'm a relative reference to a repository file](../blob/master/LICENSE)

[You can use numbers for reference-style link definitions][1]

Or leave it empty and use the [link text itself]

Some text to show that the reference links can follow later.

[arbitrary case-insensitive reference text]: https://www.mozilla.org
[1]: http://slashdot.org
[link text itself]: http://www.reddit.com
```

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Images

Here's our logo (hover to see the title text):

Inline-style:

```
![alt text](https://github.com/adam-p/markdown-here/raw/master/src/common/images/
↪ s/icon48.png "Logo Title Text 1")
```

Reference-style:

```
![alt text][logo]
```

```
[logo]: https://github.com/adam-p/markdown-here/raw/master/src/common/images/ic
↪ on48.png "Logo Title Text 2"
```

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Inline-style: 🐱

Reference-style: 🐱

Code and Syntax Highlighting

Code blocks are part of the Markdown spec, but syntax highlighting isn't. However, many renderers - like Github's and *Markdown Here* - support syntax highlighting. *Markdown Here* supports highlighting for dozens of languages (and not-really-languages, like diffs and HTTP headers); to see the complete list, and how to write the language names, see the [highlight.js demo page](#).

```
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Blocks of code are either fenced by lines with three back-ticks `print("hello")`, or are indented with four spaces. I recommend only using the fenced code blocks - they're easier and only they support syntax highlighting.

```
var s = "JavaScript syntax highlighting";
alert(s);
```

```
s = "Python syntax highlighting"
print s
```

No language indicated, so no syntax highlighting in *Markdown Here* (varies on → Github).

But let's throw in a `tag`.

(Github Wiki pages don't seem to support syntax highlighting, so the above won't be colourful (the strings are not red, for example). Try it out in a *Markdown Here* email or a Github Markdown README or Github Issue - you can preview a new Issue without submitting it.)

Again, to see what languages are available for highlighting, and how to write those language names, see the [highlight.js demo page](#).

Tables

Tables aren't part of the core Markdown spec, but they are part of GFM and *Markdown Here* supports them. They are an easy way of adding tables to your email - a task that would otherwise require copy-pasting from another application.

```
Colons can be used to align columns.
```

```
| Tables      | Are      | Cool  |
| ----- |:-----:| -----:|
| col 3 is    | right-aligned | $1600 |
| col 2 is    | centered     |   $12 |
| zebra stripes | are neat    |    $1 |
```

The outer pipes (|) are optional, and you don't need to make the raw Markdown line up prettily. You can also use inline Markdown.

```
Markdown | Less | Pretty
--- | --- | ---
*Still* | `renders` | **nicely**
1 | 2 | 3
```

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Blockquotes

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Inline HTML

You can also use raw HTML in your Markdown, and it'll mostly work pretty well.

```
<dl>
  <dt>Definition list</dt>
  <dd>Is something people use sometimes.</dd>

  <dt>Markdown in HTML</dt>
  <dd>Does not work very well. Use HTML <em>tags</em>.</dd>
</dl>
```

Definition list

Is something people use sometimes.

Markdown in HTML

Does *not* work *very* well. Use HTML tags.

Horizontal Rule

Three or more...

Hyphens

Asterisks

Underscores

