

Brew Cheatsheet



The missing package manager for macOS.

Brew Help

Display the version of Homebrew.

\$ brew --version

Print Help Information

\$ brew help

Print Help Info for a brew command

\$ brew help <command>

Check system for potential problems.

\$ brew doctor

Brew Updates

Fetch latest version of homebrew and formula

\$ brew update

Show formulae with an updated version available

\$ brew outdated

Upgrade all outdated and unpinned brews

\$ brew upgrade

Upgrade only the specified brew

\$ brew upgrade <formula>

Prevent the specified formulae from being upgraded

\$ brew pin <formula>

Allow the specified formulae to be upgraded.

\$ brew unpin <formula>

Brew Repositories

List all the current tapped repositories (taps)

\$ brew tap

Tap a formula repository from Github using https for tap https://github.com/user/homebrew-repo

\$ brew tap <user/repo>

Tap a formula repository from the specified URL

\$ brew tap <user/repo> <URL>

Remove the given tap from the repository

\$ brew untap <user/repo>

Brew Cask

Tap the Cask repository from Github.

\$ brew tap homebrew/cask

List all the installed casks.

\$ brew cask list

Search all known casks based on the substring text.

\$ brew search <text>

Install the given cask.

\$ brew cask install <cask>

Reinstalls the given Cask

\$ brew cask reinstall <cask>

Uninstall the given cask.

\$ brew cask uninstall <cask>

Brew Search, Install, Remove

List all the installed formulae.

\$ brew list

Display all locally available formulae for brewing.

\$ brew search

Perform a substring search of formulae names for brewing.

\$ brew search <text>

Display information about the formula.

\$ brew info <formula>

Install the formula.

\$ brew install <formula>

Uninstall the formula.

\$ brew uninstall <formula>

Brew Cleanup

Remove older versions of installed formulae.

\$ brew cleanup

Remove older versions of specified formula.

\$ brew cleanup <formula>

Display all formula that will be removed (dry run)

\$ brew cleanup -n

