

## Quickstart for GitHub Pages

You can use GitHub Pages to showcase some open source projects, host a blog, or even share your résumé. This guide will help get you started on creating your next website.

GitHub Pages is available in public repositories with GitHub Free and GitHub Free for organizations, and in public and private repositories with GitHub Pro, GitHub Team, GitHub Enterprise Cloud, and GitHub Enterprise Server. For more information, see "[GitHub's plans](#)."

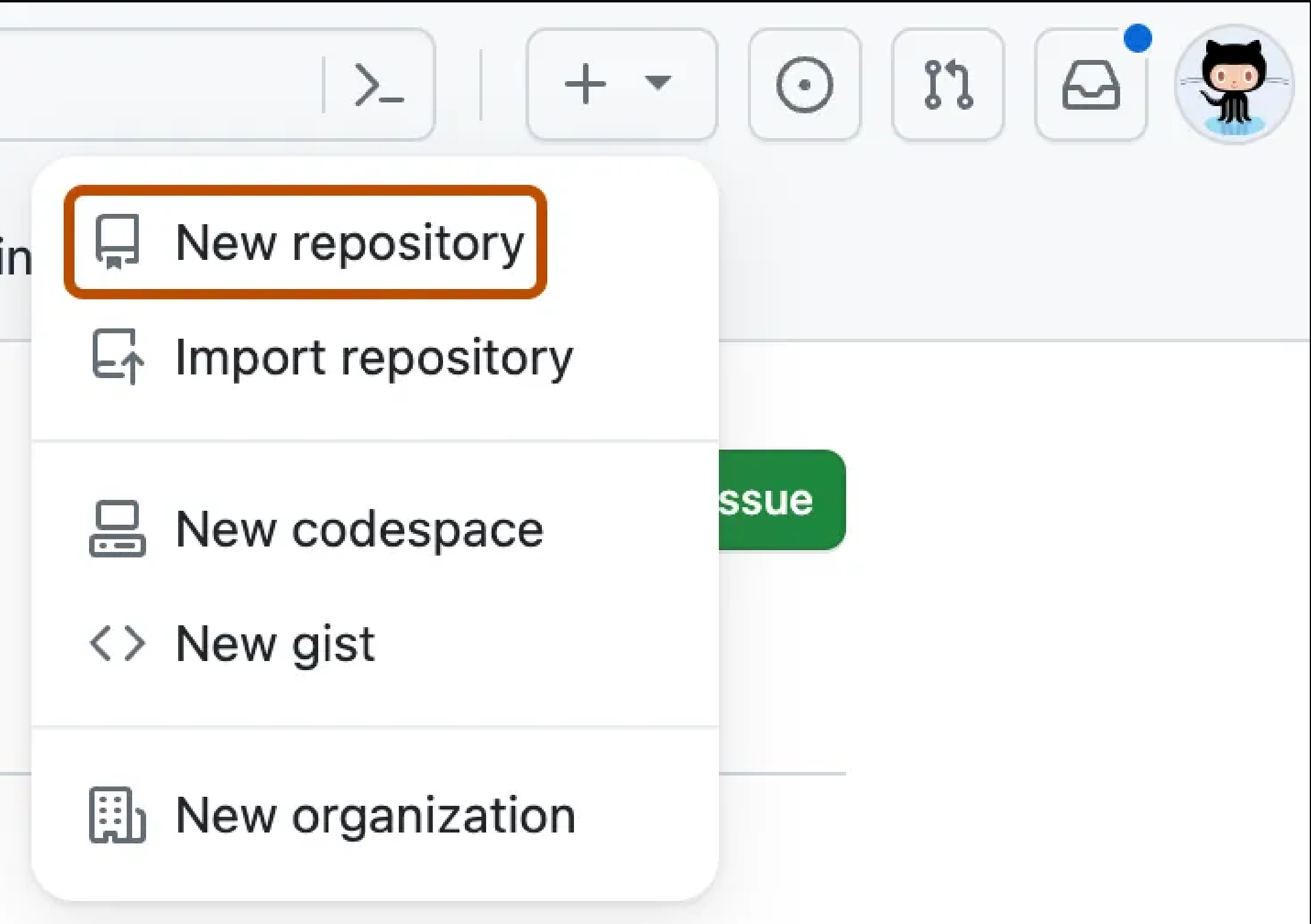
### Introduction

GitHub Pages are public webpages hosted and published through GitHub. The quickest way to get up and running is by using the Jekyll Theme Chooser to load a pre-made theme. You can then modify your GitHub Pages' content and style.

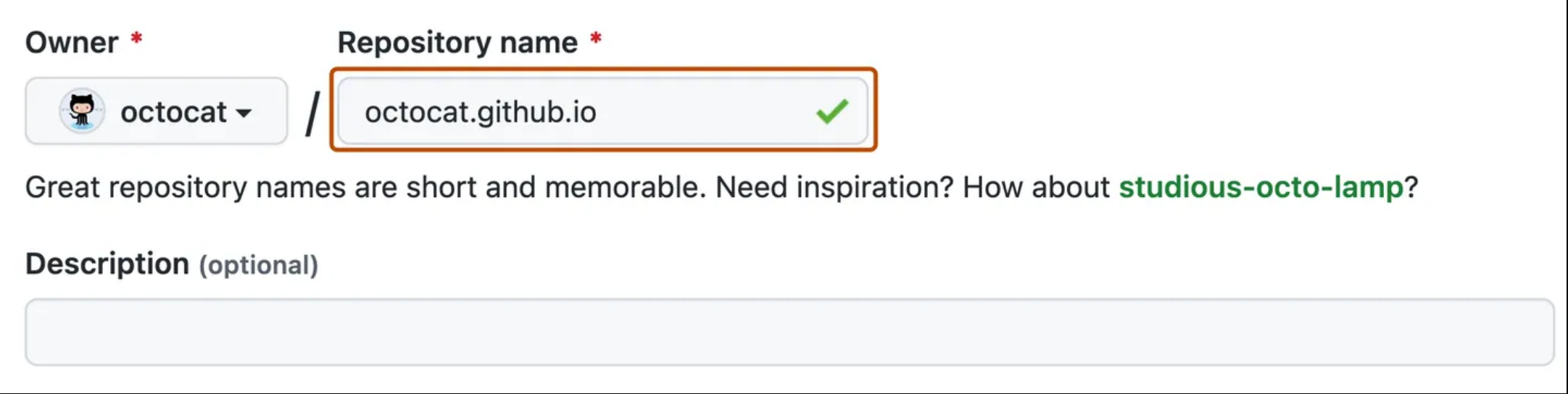
This guide will lead you through creating a user site at `username.github.io`.

### Creating your website

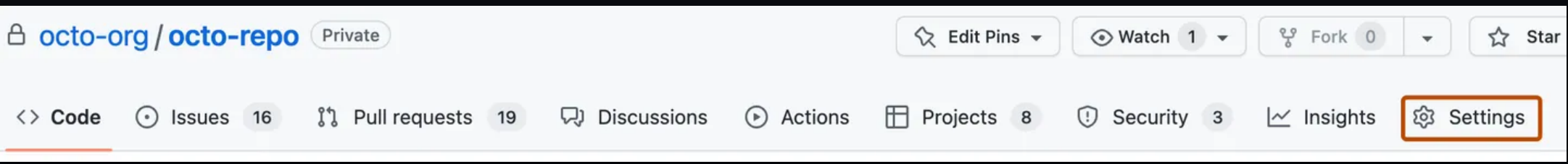
- 1 In the upper-right corner of any page, select **+**, then click **New repository**.



- 2 Enter `username.github.io` as the repository name. Replace `username` with your GitHub username. For example, if your username is `octocat`, the repository name should be `octocat.github.io`.



- 3 Under your repository name, click **Settings**. If you cannot see the "Settings" tab, select the **⋮** dropdown menu, then click **Settings**.



- 4 In the "Code and automation" section of the sidebar, click **Pages**.
- 5 Under "Build and deployment", under "Source", select **Deploy from a branch**.
- 6 Under "Build and deployment", under "Branch", use the branch dropdown menu and select a publishing source.



- 7 Optionally, open the `README.md` file of your repository. The `README.md` file is where you will write the content for your site. You can edit the file or keep the default content for now.
- 8 Visit `username.github.io` to view your new website. Note that it can take up to 10 minutes for changes to your site to publish after you push the changes to GitHub.

### Changing the title and description

By default, the title of your site is `username.github.io`. You can change the title by editing the `_config.yml` file in your repository. You can also add a description for your site.

- 1 Click the **Code** tab of your repository.
- 2 In the file list, click `_config.yml` to open the file.
- 3 Click **Edit** to edit the file.
- 4 The `_config.yml` file already contains a line that specifies the theme for your site. Add a new line with `title:` followed by the title you want. Add a new line with `description:` followed by the description you want. For example:

```
theme: jekyll-theme-minimal
title: Octocat's homepage
description: Bookmark this to keep an eye on my project updates!
```

- 5 When you are done editing the file, click **Commit changes**.

### Next Steps

For more information about how to add additional pages to your site, see "[Adding content to your GitHub Pages site using Jekyll](#)."

For more information about setting up a GitHub Pages site with Jekyll, see "[About GitHub Pages and Jekyll](#)."

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