

# About SDKs

*“...in reality, whatever people can pull down from their favorite package manager is their developer experience...”*

- Square's Tristan Sokol @ DevXCon SF 2017



# Create a customer

Creates a new customer object.

## ARGUMENTS

<b>account_balance</b> optional	An integer amount in pence that is the starting account balance for your customer. A negative amount represents a credit that will be used before attempting any charges to the customer's card; a positive amount will be added to the next invoice.
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<b>business_vat_id</b> optional	The customer's VAT identification number. If you are using Relay, this field gets passed to tax provider you are using for your orders. This can be unset by updating the value to <code>nil</code> and then saving.
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<b>coupon</b> optional	If you provide a coupon code, the customer will have a discount applied on all recurring charges.
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## Definition

```
Stripe::Customer.create
```

## Example Request

```
require "stripe"
Stripe.api_key = "sk_test_BQokikJOvBiI2HlWgH4oIfQ2"

Stripe::Customer.create(
  :description => "Customer for
william.taylor@example.com",
  :source => "tok_189gAS2eZvKYlo2CWcqgAb0N" # obtained
with Stripe.js
)
```

## Example Response

```
#<Stripe::Customer id=cus_AVKGfC05tFI1ZA 0x00000a> JSON:
{
  "id": "cus_AVKGfC05tFI1ZA",
  "object": "customer",
  "account_balance": 0,
  "created": 1493611413,
  "account_balance": 0,
  "object": "customer",
  "id": "cus_AVKGfC05tFI1ZA"
```