How to Access Git Via Your Desktop Computer

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1   Accessing Git

Marco covered how to use GitHub with the terminal, but you can also use GitHub 's repository features with **GitHub Desktop** (https://desktop.github.com/). Once you have downloaded the program and installed it you should be able to access all the features of the terminal and a nice GUI. Once you have a GitHub account you can access all of our private repositories. By default you will not be able to see any repositories. The first thing you want to do is to "Clone repository". You can select one of your own repositories from a list or any other repository you have access to via it's URL. Now you will be able to select a branch! I will go over some of the GitHub lingo.

2   Making a Contribution

3   Commits

4   Branches

5   Pull Request

6   Merging Branches