

Default shortcuts

Scrolling

Action	Shortcut
Scroll line up	ctrl+shift+up (also <code>⌘+↑</code> and <code>⌘+↑</code> on macOS)
Scroll line down	ctrl+shift+down (also <code>⌘+↓</code> and <code>⌘+↓</code> on macOS)
Scroll page up	ctrl+shift+page_up (also <code>⌘+↑</code> on macOS)
Scroll page down	ctrl+shift+page_down (also <code>⌘+↓</code> on macOS)
Scroll to top	ctrl+shift+home (also <code>⌘+⌘</code> on macOS)
Scroll to bottom	ctrl+shift+end (also <code>⌘+⌘</code> on macOS)

Tabs management

Action	Shortcut
New tab	ctrl+shift+t (also <code>⌘+t</code> on macOS)
Close tab	ctrl+shift+q (also <code>⌘+w</code> on macOS)
Next tab	ctrl+shift+right (also <code>⌘+→</code> and <code>⌘+→</code> on macOS)
Previous tab	ctrl+shift+left (also <code>⌘+←</code> and <code>⌘+←</code> on macOS)
Move tab forward	ctrl+shift+.
Move tab backward	ctrl+shift+,
Set tab title	ctrl+shift+alt+t (also <code>⌘+⌘+i</code> on macOS)

Other keyboard shortcuts

Action	Shortcut
Copy to clipboard	ctrl+shift+c (also <code>⌘+c</code> on macOS)
Paste from clipboard	ctrl+shift+v (also <code>⌘+v</code> on macOS)
Paste from selection	ctrl+shift+s
Increase font size	ctrl+shift+equal (also <code>⌘++</code> on macOS)
Decrease font size	ctrl+shift+minus (also <code>⌘+-</code> on macOS)
Restore font size	ctrl+shift+backspace (also <code>⌘+0</code> on macOS)
Toggle fullscreen	ctrl+shift+f11 (also <code>⌘+⌘+f</code> on macOS)
Toggle maximized	ctrl+shift+f10
Input unicode character	ctrl+shift+u (also <code>⌘+⌘+space</code> on macOS)
Click URL with keyboard	ctrl+shift+e
Reset the terminal	ctrl+shift+delete
Reload kitty.conf	ctrl+shift+f5 (also <code>⌘+⌘+f5</code> on macOS)
Debug kitty.conf	ctrl+shift+f6 (also <code>⌘+option+f6</code> on macOS)
Pass selection to program	ctrl+shift+o
Edit kitty config file	ctrl+shift+f2
View kitty docs in browser	ctrl+shift+f1
Open a kitty shell	ctrl+shift+escape
Increase/decrease background opacity	ctrl+shift+a>m / ctrl+shift+a>l
Full background opacity	ctrl+shift+a>l
Reset background opacity	ctrl+shift+a>d

Shell integration

Action	Shortcut
View output of last command	ctrl+shift+g
Prev/next prompt in scrollback	ctrl+shift+z / ctrl+shift+x

Windows management

Action	Shortcut
New window	ctrl+shift+enter (also <code>⌘+↵</code> on macOS)
Switch to next layout	ctrl+shift+l
New OS window	ctrl+shift+n (also <code>⌘+n</code> on macOS)
Close window	ctrl+shift+w (also <code>⌘+⌘+d</code> on macOS)
Next window	ctrl+shift+]
Previous window	ctrl+shift+[
Move window forward	ctrl+shift+f
Move window backward	ctrl+shift+b
Move window to top	ctrl+shift+'
Focus specific window	ctrl+shift+1, ctrl+shift+2 ... ctrl+shift+0 (also <code>⌘+1</code> , <code>⌘+2</code> ... <code>⌘+9</code> on macOS) (clockwise from the top-left)

Mappable actions

Copy/Paste

- **copy_and_clear_or_interrupt**: Copy the selected text from the active window to the clipboard and clear selection, if no selection, send Ctrl-C
- **copy_or_interrupt**: Copy the selected text from the active window to the clipboard, if no selection, send Ctrl-C
- **copy_to_clipboard**: Copy the selected text from the active window to the clipboard. Default shortcut: ctrl+shift+c
- **pass_selection_to_program**: Pass selected text from active window to specified program. Default shortcut: ctrl+shift+o
- **paste**: Paste the specified text into the current window
- **show_scrollback**: Show scrollback in a pager like less. Default shortcut: ctrl+shift+h
- **copy_to_buffer**: Copy the selection from the active window to the specified buffer.
- **paste_from_buffer**: Paste from the specified buffer to the active window.
- **paste_from_clipboard**: Paste from the clipboard to the active window. Default shortcut: ctrl+shift+v
- **paste_from_selection**: Paste from the clipboard to the active window. Default shortcut: ctrl+shift+s

Mouse actions

- **mouse_click_url**: Click the URL under the mouse
- **mouse_click_url_or_select**: Click the URL under the mouse only if the screen has no selection
- **mouse_selection**: Manipulate the selection based on the current mouse position
- **paste_selection**: Paste the current primary selection
- **paste_selection_or_clipboard**: Paste the current primary selection or the clipboard if no selection is present

Scrolling

- **scroll_end:** Scroll to the bottom of the scrollbar buffer. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+end`
- **scroll_home:** Scroll to the top of the scrollbar buffer. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+home`
- **scroll_line_down:** Scroll down by one line. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+down`
- **scroll_line_up:** Scroll up by one line. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+up`
- **scroll_page_down:** Scroll down by one page. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+page_down`
- **scroll_page_up:** Scroll up by one page. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+page_up`

Windows management

- **close_other_windows_in_tab:** Close all windows in the tab other than the currently active window.
- **close_window:** Close the currently active window. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+w`
- **move_window:** Move the window in the specified direction. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+b`
- **move_window_forward:** Move active window forward (swap it with the next window). Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+f`
- **move_window_to_top:** Move active window to the top (make it the first window). Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+^`
- **neighboring_window:** Focus the neighboring window in the current tab. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+]`
- **nth_window:** Focus the nth window if positive or the previously active windows if negative. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+[`
- **reset_window_sizes:** Reset window sizes undoing any dynamic resizing of windows.
- **resize_window:** Resize the active window by the specified amount.
- **change_font_size:** Change the font size for the current or all OS Windows. Default shortcuts using this action: `ctrl+shift+minus`, `ctrl+shift=`, `ctrl+shift+backspace`
- **close_os_window:** Close the currently active OS Window. Default shortcut: `shift+cmd+w`
- **detach_window:** Detach a window, moving it to another tab or OS Window.
- **new_os_window_with_cwd:** New OS Window with the same working directory as the currently active window.
- **new_window:** Create a new window. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+enter`
- **new_window_with_cwd:** Create a new window with working directory same as that of the active window.
- **quit:** Quit, closing all windows
- **set_background_opacity:** Set the background opacity for the active OS Window. Default shortcuts using this action: `ctrl+shift+a>l`, `ctrl+shift+a>l`, `ctrl+shift+a>m`, `ctrl+shift+a>d`
- **start_resizing_window:** Resize the active window interactively. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+r`
- **toggle_fullscreen:** Toggle the fullscreen status of the active OS Window. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+f11`
- **toggle_maximized:** Toggle the maximized status of the active OS Window. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+f10`

Marks

- **remove_marker:** Remove a previously created marker
- **scroll_to_mark:** Scroll to the next or previous mark of the specified type
- **toggle_marker:** Toggle the current marker on/off
- **create_marker:** Create a new marker

Tab management

- **detach_tab:** Detach a tab, moving it to another OS Window
- **goto_tab:** Go to the specified tab, by number, starting with 1. Zero and negative numbers go to previously active tabs
- **move_tab_backward:** Move the active tab backward. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+,`
- **move_tab_forward:** Move the active tab forward. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+.`
- **new_tab:** Create a new tab. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+t`
- **new_tab_with_cwd:** Create a new tab with working directory for the window in it set to the same as the active window.
- **next_tab:** Make the next tab active. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+right`
- **previous_tab:** Make the previous tab active. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+left`
- **select_tab:** Interactively select a tab to switch to
- **set_tab_title:** Change the title of the active tab. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+alt+t`

Miscellaneous

- **send_text:** Send the specified text to the active window. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+alt+h`
- **signal_child:** Send the specified SIGNAL to the foreground process in the active window.
- **clear_terminal:** Clear the terminal. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+delete`
- **combine:** Combine multiple actions and map to a single keypress. The syntax is: `map key combine action1 action2 action3 ...`
- **disable_ligatures_in:** Turn on/off ligatures in the specified window.
- **discard_event:** Discard this event completely ignoring it.
- **edit_config_file:** Edit the kitty.conf config file in your favorite text editor. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+f2`
- **input_unicode_character:** Input an arbitrary unicode character.
- **kitten:** Run the specified kitten. Default shortcuts using this action: `ctrl+shift+p>n`, `ctrl+shift+u`, `ctrl+shift+p>h`, `ctrl+shift+p>l`, `ctrl+shift+p>f`, `ctrl+shift+p>w`, `ctrl+shift+p>y`, `ctrl+shift+p>shift+f`
- **kitty_shell:** Run the kitty shell to control kitty with commands. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+escape`
- **launch:** Launch the specified program in a new window/tab/etc.
- **load_config_file:** Reload the config file. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+f5`
- **open_url_with_hints:** Click a URL using the keyboard. Default shortcut: `ctrl+shift+e`
- **remote_control:** Run a remote control command.
- **set_colors:** Change colors in the specified windows.
- **show_kitty_env_vars:** Show the environment variables that the kitty process sees.