Space Glitter's Basic Hotkey Guide to the Blenderverse

In the world of Blender, every key is a portal to infinite creativity. Unlock your imagination, one shortcut at a time!

Navigation:

• Orbit: Middle Mouse Button (MMB) + Drag

"Spin your world around like a cosmic explorer!"

• Pan: Shift + MMB + Drag

"Slide your way across the Blender universe."

• Zoom: Scroll Wheel or Ctrl + MMB + Drag

"Zoom in for the details, zoom out for the big picture!"

Selection:

• Select: Left Mouse Button (LMB)

"Pick and choose with the power of a single click!"

Deselect All: Alt + A

"Let go of everything... with Alt + A. Serenity now."

Transformation:

Grab/Move: G

"G for Grab – Grab and go!"

• Rotate: R

"Rotate your way to a new perspective!"

Scale: S

"Make it big, make it small!"

• Confirm Transformation After Function Use: Left Click

"Nail it down with a click – transformation complete!"

• Cancel Transformation After Function Use: Right Click or Esc

"Abort mission! Return to safety with Right Click or Esc."

• Extrude: **E**

"E for Extrude – because sometimes, things just need to stick out!"

Inset Faces: /

"Inset – when your face needs a little extra dimension."

• Bevel: Ctrl + B

"Smooth out those edges with a touch of 'Ctrl + B'."

View:

• Front View: Numpad 1

"Face your creations head-on with Numpad 1!"

• Top View: Numpad 7

"Get a bird's-eye view of your masterpiece."

• Side View: Numpad 3

"Peek from the side with Numpad 3."

• Camera View: Numpad 0

"See what the camera sees - Numpad 0 is your lens!"

• Toggle Perspective/Orthographic: Numpad 5

"Switch between flat and dynamic views like a true 3D artist."

• Frame Selected: Numpad . or Shift + Numpad .

"Zoom in on the action – don't miss a detail!"

Isolate: /

"Give your object the spotlight it deserves – Isolate it!"

 Just a little side note, This is the best way to focus on one specific item in your scene.

Editing:

• Toggle Edit Object Mode: Tab

"Enter the editing zone with a quick tap of 'Tab'."

- This will become your best friend, and will make workflow more efficient! Use it!
- Vertex Select: 1

"Get up close and personal with vertices – press 1."

Edge Select: 2

"Draw the lines of your world with Edge Select – press 2."

• Face Select: 3

"Work with the big picture – select faces with 3."

• Loop Cut: Ctrl + R

"Slice through your model like a pro with 'Ctrl + R'."

• Knife Tool: K

"Cut through the noise – the Knife Tool is your blade!"

Merge Selection: M

"Bring it all together with the power of 'M'."

• Delete Selection: X

"Make it disappear with a tap of 'X' – poof!"

Object Manipulation:

• Duplicate Selection: Shift + D

"Clone your creations like a cosmic architect!"

• Join Objects In Selection: Ctrl + J

"Unite them as one – Ctrl + J is your glue."

Separate Selection: P

"Set them free with 'P' – split and conquer!"

• Snap Item Grid: Shift + Tab

"Keep it aligned – Snap to Grid with Shift + Tab."

File Management:

• Save: Ctrl + S

"Secure your work – Ctrl + S, the universal life saver!"

• Save As: Ctrl + Shift + S

"Create a new chapter in your creation's journey with 'Save As'."

• Save Incremental: Ctrl + Alt + S

"Because every great journey deserves a backup plan. Save your progress, step by step!"

• Open: *Ctrl* + *O*

"Open a portal to your next project with 'Ctrl + O'."

• New File: Ctrl + N

"Start fresh – Ctrl + N to begin anew."

• Undo: *Ctrl* + *Z*

"Rewind time with the magical 'Ctrl + Z'."

• Redo: Ctrl + Shift + Z

"Fast forward to your last decision with 'Ctrl + Shift + Z'."