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# Syncing your branch

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As commits are pushed to your project on GitHub, you can keep your local copy of the project in sync with the remote repository.

You must sync your local branch with the remote repository to get any additional commits that have been added to the upstream branch since you originally created your branch.

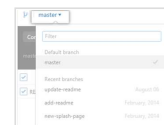
## 1. Update your local upstream branch

To find out which branch is upstream, look at the comparison graph.

The *\*upstream branch* is on top.

Your **project branch** is on the bottom.

- 1 Next to the  icon, click the name of your project branch and switch to the upstream branch.



- 2 In the upper-right corner of the app, click  **Sync**.

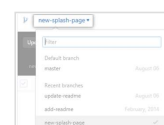


## 2. Merge your local upstream branch with your project branch

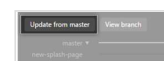
Now that your local copy of the upstream branch is up-to-date, you can update your local project branch with those changes.


**Note:** Commits from upstream branches on the remote repository can cause merge conflicts if they change the same line in a file you're working on in your topic branch. For more information on resolving merge conflicts, see "[Resolving a merge conflict using the command line](#)."

- 1 Next to the  icon, click the name of your upstream branch and switch back to your project branch.




- 2 In the comparison graph, click **Update from *BRANCH-NAME***.



- 3 When you're ready to sync your commits with the remote repository, in the upper-right corner of the app, click  **Sync**.



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