Basic Git Commands

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Git Init Creates a new local repository.

Git Remote Connects and lists all currently configured remote repositories.

Git Clone Creates a copy of a repository.

Git Config Defines the user name and email to be used with commits.

Lists all existing branches and highlights the current branch.

It's recommended that your branch is up to date with the main

one because it helps to avoid conflicts when merging.

Git Checkout Allows you to change your current branch or even create a new

one.

Git Pull Updates your local branch with the main branch to avoid

conflicts.

Git Add Adds one or more files to the stage (index) before committing.

Git Status Shows files that were changed and the ones on the stage area.

Git Commit Saves the files on the stage area to the local repository and

leaves a message indicating what's been changed. A nice and clear commit message is always recommended as it helps to

identify and track changes without reading the code.

Git Push Updates the remote repository with your local commits.

Always remember to consider different local and remote

branches.

Git Log Lists the recent commits by ID.

Git Tag Marks the significant changesets in the repository, this also

helps tracking changes without reading the code.

Git Help Shows how to properly use each command.

Git rm Removes one or more files from a directory (working tree) or

stage area (index).

Git Diff Runs a diff function on Git data sources (commits, branches,

files, etc.). It helps analyze the current state of the repository.

Git Fetch Retrieves the latest changes in the remote repository before

pulling it locally.

Git Merge Merges branches in the repository. This is particularly useful as

many branches are created for testing before being integrated in

the main branch, for instance.

Git Stash Allows you to work on a different branch without committing

changes. In practice it's like a temporary branch with changes

not yet committed.

Git Rebase Very similar to the merge command except that rebase rewrites

history and merge preserves it.