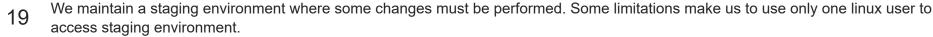
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Override author on git merge

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Is there an option like --author of git-commit for git-merge?





Anyway, we are a small team with cooperative initiative and we tell when doing commits, which one is the author using the --author git-commit option. However, some times we need to merge from other branches which result in a non-ff merge. This implies a commit is performed when doing this merge.

Which would be the best way to specify the author manually for the merge commit in this case?





611k 127 111¹ 1374 asked Feb 25 '12 at 19:38



4 Answers



First, prevent the merge from creating the commit:

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git merge --no-commit ...



Then, do the commit manually:

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answered Feb 25 '12 at 19:43



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You can --amend the authorship afterwards if you already did the merge. like that:



git checkout master
git merge my_branch
git commit --amend --author="My Nick <my.adress@email.com>"
git push origin master

This works as desired and adds the specified author to the merge commit. No magic. :)





Waqar Lim

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I feel like your answer was the most complete here, although it does imply that the --amend is necessary, when it isn't strictly. – TheMonarch Jun 14 '17 at 22:57

It's not? git merge creates a commit and to change the author of that commit you have to git commit --amend . — Waqar Lim Jun 15 '17 at 8:59

This is not always correct, if the merge was a fast forward no commit would be created, and as so the amend would try to amend the latest commit. – JCM Nov 14 '18 at 14:01



Try git merge --no-commit ... and then git commit --author ...





answered Feb 25 '12 at 19:44

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GIT_AUTHOR_NAME="A. U. Thor" GIT_AUTHOR_EMAIL="au@th.or" git merge ...

answered Oct 14 '17 at 13:34



This works great... I have no idea why you were downvoted. – Gerry Jul 17 '18 at 2:04

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