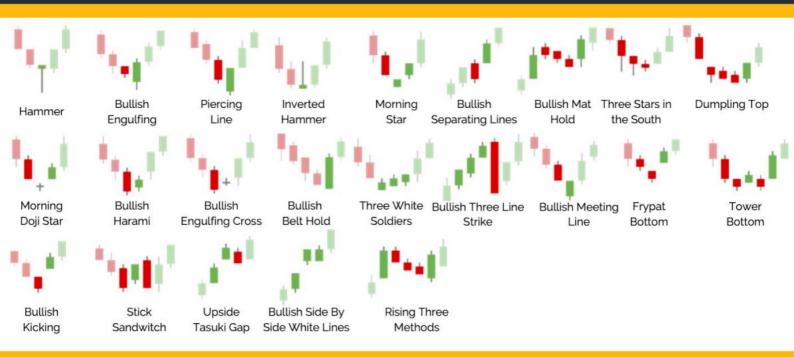
Candlestick Patterns

CHEAT SHEET

30+ Candlestick Patterns That Can Easily Improve Your Trading



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INTRODUCTION

Learning to become a <u>forex trader</u> is difficult, right?

Especially when there are so many different ways, methods, strategies out there.

The most popular way to look for trading opportunities is by looking for candlestick patterns.

The problem here is that are over 30+ <u>candlestick patterns</u> to learn from memory.

If you are like the rest of us, learning 30+ candlesticks and instantly recognising them in real-time can be a headache when you are starting out.

That is why we have designed this awesome Japanese **candlestick pattern cheat sheet**. It'll save you time and money (on painkillers).

IF you are looking to find something that can quickly help you instantly recognise these 30+ patterns in real-time, then you should read on because we have a few helpful tips further down this article.

Now before you get your hands on this cheat sheet, let's go through the absolute basics...

WHAT IS A CANDLESTICK PATTERN?

There are several types of charts that traders will use to find trading opportunities.

Most commonly these are:

- Line charts
- OHLC charts
- Candlestick charts
- Renko charts
- Point and Figure charts
- · Etc.

There are plenty of different types to help analyse the markets, but you are here to learn about the candlestick patterns – so let's focus on that.

The candlestick pattern is favoured due to its simplicity and ease of analysis at a glance.

You can easily identify whether it was a Buy candle or a Sell candle.

You can easily identify its highs and lows during the session.

You can easily tell the strength of the markets through the candlestick too.

The above also gives you different patterns and shapes that give a leading indicator of where the market may go.

Compared to the line charts which just plot the close price after each session.

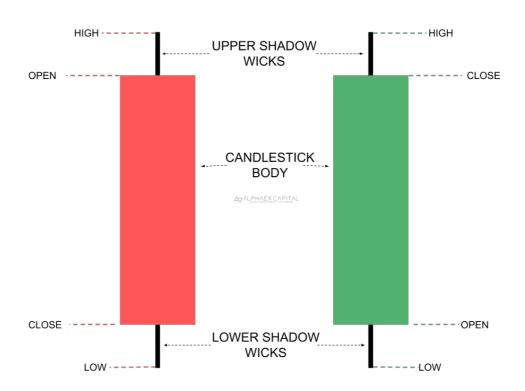
To put it another way, using candlesticks compared to line charts is like watching a movie in HD vs. black and white.

HD gives you every little detail and colour to inspire your imagination, whereas in black and white it gives you enough imagery to tell the story.

We want things in high definition.

So that is why we look at candlesticks.

So let's look at the structure in more detail:



Here are the key points:

Open – This is at the point where the session opened. On a bullish candle, the open is at the bottom of the body. On a bearish candle, the open is at the top of the body.

Close – This is at the point where the session closed. On a bullish candle, the close is at the top of the body. On a bearish candle, the close is at the bottom of the body.

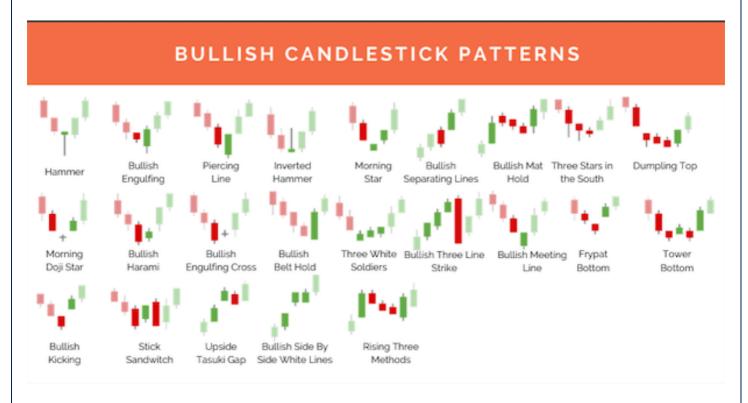
High – This is the market reached it's the highest price during the trading session. This gives you an idea of how high the market moved in one trading period.

Low – This is the market reached it's the lowest price during the trading session. This gives you an idea of how low the market moved in one trading period.
Alphaex Pro Tip: Execution Rules -> Read our article on how to execute a trade properly based on the candlestick patterns
Now you've locked in the idea of what candlestick patterns are, let's dive straight into the different segments of the forex candlestick pattern cheat sheet.
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BULLISH CANDLESTICK PATTERNS

Below we have the candlestick patterns that may signal a bullish move in the markets.

These are really-effective to know because when these patterns are showing themselves, you can quickly adjust your trading ideas to either continue or reverse your trading bias.



These are great examples of bullish candlesticks that you can reference to now and then to familiarise yourself with the patterns.

Alphaex Pro Tip: As you get started, don't try and focus on ALL patterns at once. Instead, focus on the most recognisable ones such as the Bullish Engulfing and Hammer patterns.

This will allow you to identify them easily, and gain experience quickly in how to utilise them effectively.

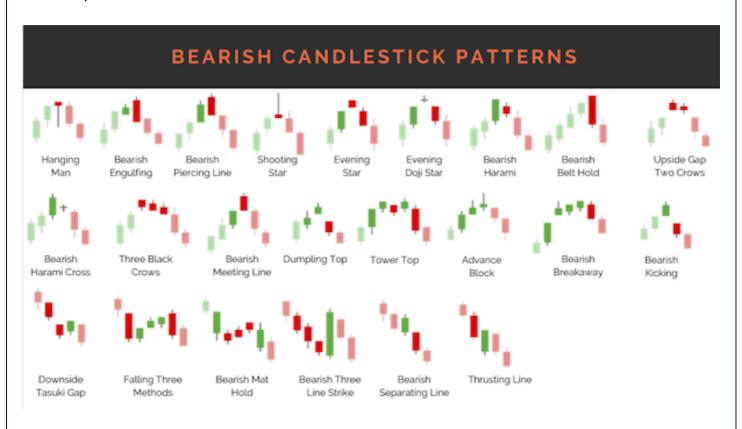
Moving on, it's time to review the patterns when the market turns bearish...

BEARISH CANDLESTICK PATTERNS

Trading means you don't have a preference whether the market goes up or down.

As traders, we should always be looking for new opportunities.

That's why these bearish candlestick patterns can help you identify bearish momentum, quickly and effectively.



Follow these patterns and gain experience with them.

Once mastered, each day will present a new trading opportunity.

And now you are armed with the patterns that can help identify bullish and bearish movements.

REVERSAL CANDLESTICK PATTERNS

We've grouped the bullish and bearish <u>price action patterns here to identify the ones that are reversal</u> indicators.

This is a good idea to learn it like this as well because you can see that these patterns show you a potential entry and/or exit from a trade.

Allowing you to lock in the profits, or enter on the other side.

REVERSAL CANDLESTICK PATTERNS Advance block Hanging man **Dumping top** Piercing Line Dark cloud Upside gap two crows Shooting star Three black crows Bullish/Bearish kicking Bullish/Bearish meeting line Tower bottom Morning star Evening star Morning doji star Frypat bottom Evening doji star **Dumping top** Bullish/Bearish harami Bullish/Bearish engulfing cross

CONTINUATION CANDLESTICK PATTERNS

In addition to reversals, the candlesticks can also identify when the markets are ready to continue their trend.

The patterns placed here are great for opportunities to:

- Enter in a trend you may have missed out from earlier
- Add to your current trading position, increasing your position size to take advantage of the trend
- Exit a trade for profit, or realise a loss if the trend is going against you.

These continuation patterns are:

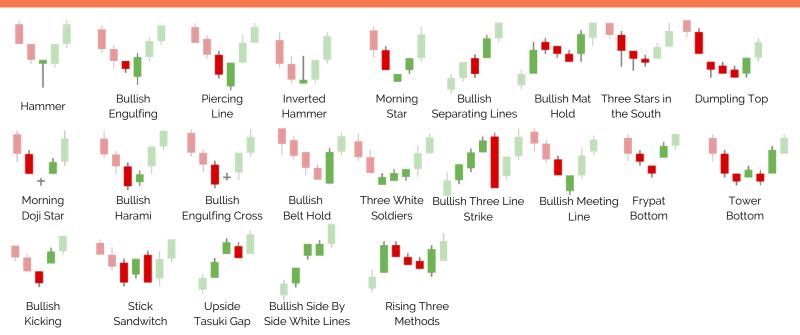


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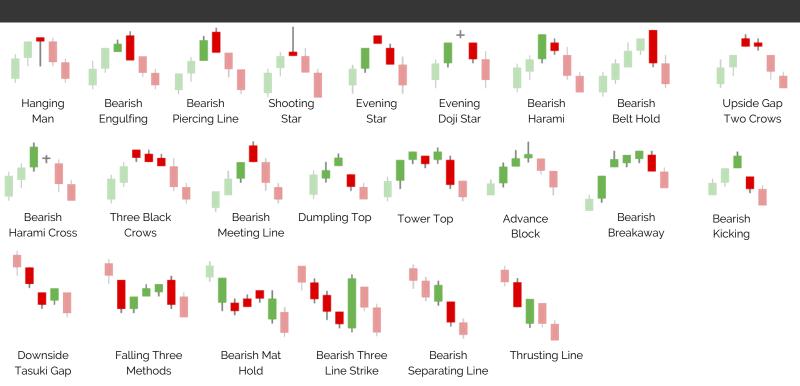
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BULLISH CANDLESTICK PATTERNS



BEARISH CANDLESTICK PATTERNS



REVERSAL CANDLESTICK PATTERNS

Hanging man Bullish/Bearish engulfing Bearish breakaway Piercing Line Dark cloud Shooting star Morning star **Evening star** Morning doji star Evening doji star

Advance block **Dumping top** Upside gap two crows Three black crows Bullish/Bearish kicking Bullish/Bearish meeting line **Dumping top** Bullish/Bearish engulfing cross

CONTINUATION CANDLESTICK PATTERNS

Upside/Downside Tasuki Gap Bearish/Bullish side by side white lines Rising/Falling three methods

Bullish/Bearish mat hold Bullish/Bearish three line strike Thrusting line Bullish/Bearish separating lines

ALPHAEX QUICK TIP THE ART OF EXECUTION

The best way to execute a trade from a candlestick pattern is to wait until the candlestick closes then place an order above the "trigger" candlestick's high (if it's a buy signal) or low (if it's a sell signal).

THE NEXT STEP...

After going through this forex candlestick pattern cheat sheet, you will have gained a visual aid that will help you establish and gain experience with these price action patterns.

Forex trading isn't meant to be easy.

By focusing on <u>learning to become better</u>, practising the patterns and testing them out – only then you will gain an edge that is needed to conquer the markets.

Now you've read about candlestick patterns, even have a nice cheat sheet that can help you recognise them easier; the next logical step is to put it all together.

Learning about the markets, how the work, and how you can exploit them.

You can learn about all of this (and more) here.

<u>Learn how traders exploit market movements to predict profitable trades, without spending all day on the computer.</u>

To your trading success,

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