

## Creating Tables

```
Schema::create('table_name', function (Blueprint $table) {  
    // define columns here  
});
```

## Column Types

Function	Description
<code>\$table-&gt;bigIncrements('id')</code>	Auto-incrementing UNSIGNED BIGINT (primary key)
<code>\$table-&gt;increments('id')</code>	Auto-incrementing UNSIGNED INT (primary key)
<code>\$table-&gt;uuid('id')</code>	UUID column
<code>\$table-&gt;string('name', 255)</code>	VARCHAR column (default 255)
<code>\$table-&gt;text('description')</code>	TEXT
<code>\$table-&gt;mediumText('content')</code>	MEDIUMTEXT
<code>\$table-&gt;longText('notes')</code>	LONGTEXT
<code>\$table-&gt;integer('votes')</code>	INT
<code>\$table-&gt;bigInteger('views')</code>	BIGINT
<code>\$table-&gt;unsignedInteger('age')</code>	UNSIGNED INT
<code>\$table-&gt;float('amount', 8, 2)</code>	FLOAT (with precision)
<code>\$table-&gt;decimal('price', 8, 2)</code>	DECIMAL (fixed-point)
<code>\$table-&gt;boolean('is_active')</code>	BOOLEAN
<code>\$table-&gt;date('published_at')</code>	DATE
<code>\$table-&gt;time('start_time')</code>	TIME
<code>\$table-&gt;dateTime('event_time')</code>	DATETIME
<code>\$table-&gt;timestamp('created_at')</code>	TIMESTAMP
<code>\$table-&gt;year('birth_year')</code>	YEAR
<code>\$table-&gt;enum('gender', ['male', 'female'])</code>	ENUM

Function	Description
<code>\$table-&gt;json('meta')</code>	JSON
<code>\$table-&gt;binary('data')</code>	BINARY

## Special Columns

Function	Description
<code>\$table-&gt;id()</code>	Shortcut for auto-incrementing primary key (bigIncrements)
<code>\$table-&gt;timestamps()</code>	Adds <code>created_at</code> and <code>updated_at</code> columns
<code>\$table-&gt;softDeletes()</code>	Adds <code>deleted_at</code> column for soft deletes
<code>\$table-&gt;rememberToken()</code>	Adds <code>remember_token</code> (used for auth)
<code>\$table-&gt;foreignId('user_id')-&gt;constrained()</code>	Foreign key to users table ( <code>user_id</code> )
<code>\$table-&gt;foreign('user_id')-&gt;references('id')-&gt;on('users')</code>	Manual foreign key
<code>\$table-&gt;nullableTimestamps()</code>	Like <code>timestamps()</code> but nullable

## Column Modifiers

You can chain modifiers to column definitions:

Modifier	Usage Example
<code>-&gt;nullable()</code>	<code>\$table-&gt;string('bio')-&gt;nullable();</code>
<code>-&gt;default('value')</code>	<code>\$table-&gt;boolean('is_active')-&gt;default(true);</code>
<code>-&gt;unique()</code>	<code>\$table-&gt;string('email')-&gt;unique();</code>
<code>-&gt;index()</code>	<code>\$table-&gt;integer('votes')-&gt;index();</code>
<code>-&gt;unsigned()</code>	<code>\$table-&gt;integer('age')-&gt;unsigned();</code>
<code>-&gt;comment('Some note')</code>	<code>\$table-&gt;string('title')-&gt;comment('Post title');</code>

Modifier	Usage Example
<code>-&gt;after('column')</code>	For adding column after another one
<code>-&gt;first()</code>	Place column at beginning of table

## Updating / Dropping Tables

Function	Description
<code>Schema::table('table_name', function (Blueprint \$table) {...})</code>	Modify existing table
<code>\$table-&gt;dropColumn('age')</code>	Drop column
<code>\$table-&gt;dropIfExists('table_name')</code>	Drop table if exists
<code>\$table-&gt;renameColumn('old', 'new')</code>	Rename a column
<code>Schema::rename('old_table', 'new_table')</code>	Rename a table
<code>\$table-&gt;dropTimestamps()</code>	Drop <code>created_at</code> and <code>updated_at</code>
<code>\$table-&gt;dropSoftDeletes()</code>	Drop <code>deleted_at</code>

## Foreign Keys

Function	Description
<code>\$table-&gt;foreignId('user_id')-&gt;constrained()</code>	Auto references <code>users(id)</code>
<code>\$table-&gt;foreignId('user_id')-&gt;constrained('accounts')</code>	References <code>accounts(id)</code>
<code>\$table-&gt;foreign('user_id')-&gt;references('id')-&gt;on('users')</code>	Manual foreign key
<code>\$table-&gt;dropForeign(['user_id'])</code>	Drop foreign key constraint
<code>\$table-&gt;dropForeign('posts_user_id_foreign')</code>	Drop by constraint name