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Task 1

Installing and Configuring the Git client

The following sections list the steps required to properly install and configure the Git clients - Git Bash and Git GUI - on a Windows 7 computer.

Git is also available for Linux and Mac. The remaining instructions here, however, are specific to the Windows installation.

Be sure to carefully follow all of the steps in the first five sections. The last section, 6, is optional.

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1. Git installation

Download the Git installation program (Windows, Mac, or Linux) from http://git-scm.com/downloads.

When running the installer, various screens appear (Windows screens shown). Generally, you can accept the default selections, **except in the screens below where you do NOT want the default selections**:

In the Select Components screen, make sure Windows Explorer Integration is selected as shown:

