Forking projects
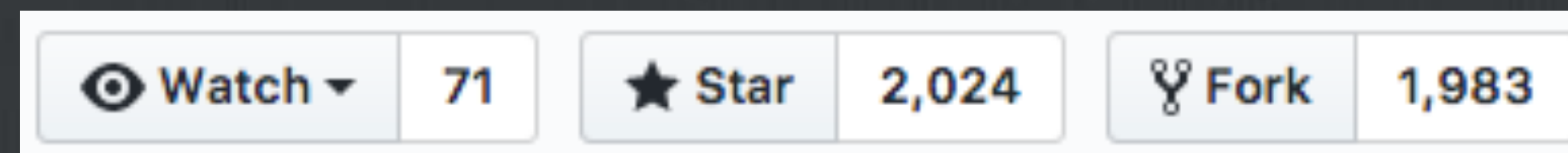

- Sometimes you want to make some changes to someone's code for your own use but don't want to open a pull request and ask for your changes to be merged into the main repository.

- To do this, you can easily *fork* the project. This creates a totally separate copy of the repository under your own account. You can then change it any way you want to (please respect any Open Source or other licenses that may be present).

Social features

Watch ▾ 71 | ★ Star 2,024 | ⑂ Fork 1,983

☐ **GitHub has a lot of features to enable and encourage collaborative editing and social sharing.**

☐ **You can "follow" another user (it's not at all creepy).**

☐ **You can "watch" a project and all updates to it will show up on your own dashboard.**

☐ **You can also "star" a project which will let the creator know you're interested in it, but it won't show all updates on your dashboard the watch "watch" does.**

☐ **The "Explore" page on GitHub shows interesting projects.**