

Here's a compact, ready to paste Rust string literal that contains a quick reference cheat sheet for the language. It's formatted as a *raw string* (`r#"..."#`) so you can drop it straight into a Rust source file without escaping any quotes.

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``rust
let rust_notes = r#"
=== Rust Quick Reference ===
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## 1. Basics

- `fn main() { println!("Hello, world!"); }`
- `let immutable = 10;`
- `let mut mutable = 20;`
- `const MAX: u32 = 100;` // compile time constant
- enums, structs, tuples, arrays, slices

## 2. Types

- scalar: `i8`, `i16`, `i32`, `i64`, `i128`, `isize`, `u8` ... `u128`, `usize`, `f32`, `f64`, `bool`, `char`
- compound: `(T1, T2, ...)`, `[T; N]`, `&[T]`, `&mut [T]`, `(T1, T2, ...)`
- `Option<T>`, `Result<T, E>`, `std::collections::*`, etc.

## 3. Ownership

- Each value has one owner.
- When the owner goes out of scope, the value is dropped.
- Move: `let b = a;` // `a` is no longer usable
- Clone / Copy: explicit duplication (`a.clone()`) or types that implement `Copy`

## 4. Borrowing

- Immutable borrow: `let r = &x;` // many allowed
- Mutable borrow: `let r = &mut x;` // only one at a time, no other refs
- Rules enforced at compile time! no data races.

## 5. Lifetimes

- `'a`, `'static`, etc. annotate how long a reference is valid.
- Elided lifetimes in most signatures; explicit when needed.
- Example:  
`fn longest<'a>(a: &'a str, b: &'a str) -> &'a str { ... }`

## 6. Pattern Matching

- `match value { pattern => expr, ... }`
- Destructuring: `let (x, y) = tuple;`
- Enums with variants: `enum Message { Quit, Move { x: i32, y: i32 }, Write(String) }`

## 7. Error Handling

- Recoverable: `Result<T, E>` – use `?` or `match`.
- Unrecoverable: `panic!()` – aborts thread.
- `std::error::Error` trait for custom error types.

## 8. Concurrency

- Threads: `std::thread::spawn(move || { ... })`
- Message passing: `std::sync::mpsc::{channel, Sender, Receiver}`
- Shared mutable state: `Arc<Mutex<T>>` or `RwLock`
- No data races – enforced by ownership & borrowing.

## 9. Cargo (Package Manager)

- `cargo new project_name``
- `cargo build``, `cargo run``, `cargo test``, `cargo check``
- `Cargo.toml`` – dependencies, features, workspace config.

## 10. Common Traits

- `Debug`` – `{:?}`` formatting
- `Display`` – `{}`` formatting
- `Clone`` / `Copy``
- `PartialEq``, `Eq``, `PartialOrd``, `Ord``
- `Hash``, `Iterator``, `IntoIterator``
- `From``, `Into``, `TryFrom``, `TryInto``

## 11. Useful Macros

- `println!``, `format!``, `eprintln!``
- `vec!``, `array!``, `assert!``, `debug_assert!``
- `cfg!``, `cfg_if!``, `test!``

## 12. Modules & Crates

- `mod foo;`` – private by default.
- `pub mod bar;`` – public.
- `use crate::foo::Bar;`` – bring into scope.
- Re-export: `pub use foo::Bar;``

## 13. Testing

- Inline tests with `#[cfg(test)] mod tests { ... }``
- `#[test] fn it_works() { assert_eq!(2 + 2, 4); }``
- Run: `cargo test``

## 14. Documentation

- `///`` doc comments! `cargo doc --open``
- Markdown support, code examples are compiled as tests.

## 15. Advanced Topics (quick peek)

- Unsafe code: `unsafe { ... }`` – bypasses borrow checker, must be justified.
- FFI: `extern "C" { fn c_func(...); }``
- `async/await``: `async fn fetch() -> Result<T, E> { ... }`` + executors (`tokio``, `async-std``).
- Procedural macros: custom derive, attribute macros.
- `const fn`` / `const generics``: compile time computation.

## === Tips ===

- Prefer immutability – it makes reasoning easier.
- Let the compiler guide you; most borrow checker errors are solvable by small refactors.
- Use `cargo fmt`` (`rustfmt``) and `cargo clippy`` for style & linting.
- Read the official book (<https://doc.rust-lang.org/book/>) and the Rustonomicon for unsafe internals.

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