

The “No Experience Needed” Guide to Building Your Own Website on GitHub

What You’re Making

A simple, personal website that looks how *you* want it to look.

What You’ll Use

- **GitHub** – to host your website
 - **ChatGPT** – to write the code for you
 - **Your browser** – that’s it. No downloads.
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Step 1: Answer These 5 Style Questions + 3 Content Prompts

Just answer honestly. One-word or short answers are fine.

Style

1. **What’s your vibe?**
(e.g. clean, bold, soft, earthy, modern, playful...)
2. **What colors do you like?**
(e.g. white, forest green, blush pink, navy...)
3. **What font style feels right?**
Choose one:
 - a) classic/traditional (serif)
 - b) modern/clean (sans-serif)
 - c) fun/decorative
4. **What should people feel when they visit your site?**
(e.g. impressed, calm, curious, cozy, confident...)

5. **Do you want your name/logo big at the top, or small and subtle?**
(Just say: big or subtle)
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Content

6. **What's your name or brand name?**
(How do you want to be introduced on the homepage?)
7. **What's one sentence about what you do or what this site is for?**
(e.g. "I'm a creative marketer helping mission-driven brands grow.")
8. **What should your navigation links be?**
(Pick up to 3, like "About," "Projects," "Contact," "Photography," etc.)
9. Is there anything else you want to include? Text, images, embed codes, your email and linkedin?
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Step 2: Ask ChatGPT to Make Your Homepage

Copy and paste this prompt into ChatGPT, filling in your answers:

Can you create a clean, simple `index.html` homepage for my personal portfolio using these preferences and content?

Vibe: [your answer to #1]

Colors: [your answer to #2]

Font style: [your answer to #3]

Feeling I want people to have: [your answer to #4]

Header style: [your answer to #5]

Name/brand: [your answer to #6]

Homepage intro sentence: [your answer to #7]

Navigation links: [your answer to #8 — e.g. About, Projects, Contact]

Other inclusions: [your answer to #9]

Please:

- Link to a `style.css` file
- Include a responsive layout
- Make it super beginner-friendly and mobile-friendly

✓ ChatGPT will give you a homepage that looks like your style *and* says what you want it to say.



Step 3: Create Your Website on GitHub

1. Go to github.com
2. Sign in or create an account
3. Click the + icon (top right) → **"New repository"**
4. Name it `yourusername.github.io`
(Replace with your actual GitHub username)
5. Click **"Create repository"**



Step 4: Add Your Homepage (`index.html`)

1. In your new repo, click **"Add file"** → **"Create new file"**
2. Name the file: `index.html`
3. Paste the code you got from ChatGPT
4. Scroll down and click **"Commit new file"**



Step 5: Add Your Styles (**style.css**)

1. Click **"Add file"** → **"Create new file"**
2. Name it: **style.css**
3. Ask ChatGPT:

"Can you write the **style.css** that goes with the index.html you just made for me?"

4. Paste it in and click **"Commit new file"**
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Step 6: Publish Your Site

1. Click the **Settings** tab (top menu of your repo)
2. Scroll to **Pages**
3. Under **Source**, select:
 - **Branch:** **main**
 - **Folder:** **/ (root)**
4. Click **Save**



Your site will be live shortly at:

<https://yourusername.github.io>

+ Want More Pages?

To add pages like `about.html` or `gallery.html`, just ask ChatGPT:

“Can you help me make an about.html page that matches the style of my site?”

Then follow the same steps:

- **Add file** → **Create new file**
 - Name it: `about.html`
 - Paste the code → **Commit**
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