

# Python REST API with Flask - Cheat Sheet

## 1. Setup Flask

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```
from flask import Flask, request, jsonify
app = Flask(__name__)
```

## 2. HTTP Methods

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```
@app.route('/api/resource', methods=['GET', 'POST', 'PUT', 'DELETE', 'PATCH'])
```

## 3. GET

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```
@app.route('/api/items', methods=['GET'])
def get_items():
    return jsonify({"data": [1, 2, 3]})
```

## 4. POST

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```
@app.route('/api/item', methods=['POST'])
def create_item():
    data = request.get_json()
    return jsonify({"received": data}), 201
```

## 5. PUT

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```
@app.route('/api/item/<int:item_id>', methods=['PUT'])
def update_item(item_id):
    data = request.get_json()
    return jsonify({"id": item_id, "updated": data})
```

## 6. PATCH

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```
@app.route('/api/item/<int:item_id>', methods=['PATCH'])
def patch_item(item_id):
    data = request.get_json()
    return jsonify({"id": item_id, "patched": data})
```

## 7. DELETE

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```
@app.route('/api/item/<int:item_id>', methods=['DELETE'])
def delete_item(item_id):
    return jsonify({"id": item_id, "status": "deleted"})
```

## 8. Common Functions

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```
request.get_json()           # JSON body as dict
request.args.get("param")    # Query param
request.headers.get("Name")  # Header value
request.method               # HTTP method
jsonify(obj)                 # JSON response
```

## 9. Curl Examples

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GET:  
curl http://localhost:5000/api/items  
  
POST:  
curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" -d '{"name":"Siva"}'  
http://localhost:5000/api/item  
  
PUT:  
curl -X PUT -H "Content-Type: application/json" -d '{"name":"Updated"}'  
http://localhost:5000/api/item/1  
  
PATCH:  
curl -X PATCH -H "Content-Type: application/json" -d '{"email":"a@b.com"}'  
http://localhost:5000/api/item/1  
  
DELETE:  
curl -X DELETE http://localhost:5000/api/item/1
```

#### 10. Run Flask App

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if __name__ == '__main__':  
    app.run(debug=True)
```