

Collection If

The collection-if statement allows you to check for a condition, right inside the creation of a collection, such as a list or a map, and based on that condition, insert new values into the collection. This is a very useful feature that helps you in creating your collections based on conditionals. The syntax is the same as a normal if statement usually without the curly brackets around the value of the condition itself.

Further reading:

- [Collection operators - dart.dev](https://dart.dev/collection-operators)
- [Collection if, collection for, spreads and Copying - YouTube](#)
- [Dart Features For Better Code: Spreads, Collection-If - YouTube](#)
- [Exploring Dart Collection Types - dev.to](https://dev.to/exploring-dart-collection-types)
- [Dart/Flutter List Tutorial with Examples - BezKoder](#)



Examples

```
1 class Person {
2   final String firstName;
3   final String lastName;
4
5   const Person(this.firstName, this.lastName);
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7   // the collection-if statement allows you to embed
8   // fully functioning if-statements inside your collection
9   // creation code; in other words, inside the [] or the
10  // {} code where you usually create your lists or maps/sets
11  // you can include if-statements in order to determine
12  // the result of your collection getters/functions
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14  List<String> names([bool includeLastName = true]) =>
15    [firstName, if (includeLastName) lastName];
16 }
```