

# Creating a custom 404 page for your GitHub Pages site

You can display a custom 404 error page when people try to access nonexistent pages on your site.

GitHub Pages is available in public repositories with GitHub Free and GitHub Free for organizations, and in public and private repositories with GitHub Pro, GitHub Team, GitHub Enterprise Cloud, and GitHub Enterprise Server.


- 1 On GitHub Enterprise Server, navigate to your site's repository.
- 2 Navigate to the publishing source for your site. For more information, see "[Configuring a publishing source for your GitHub Pages site](#)."
- 3 Above the list of files, using the **Add file** drop-down, click **Create new file**.
- 4 In the file name field, type `404.html` or `404.md`.
- 5 If you named your file `404.md`, add the following YAML front matter to the beginning of the file:

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permalink: /404.html
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```

- 6 Below the YAML front matter, if present, add the content you want to display on your 404 page.
- 7 In the "Commit message" field, type a short, meaningful commit message that describes the change you made to the file. You can attribute the commit to more than one author in the commit message. For more information, see "[Creating a commit with multiple authors](#)."
- 8 Below the commit message fields, decide whether to add your commit to the current branch or to a new branch. If your current branch is the default branch, you should choose to create a new branch for your commit and then create a pull request. For more information, see "[Creating a pull request](#)."

☐ Commit directly to the `main` branch.

☒ Create a **new branch** for this commit and start a pull request. [Learn more about pull requests](#).

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Propose changes

Cancel

- 9 Click **Commit changes** or **Propose changes**.

## Further reading

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- [Front matter](#) in the Jekyll documentation

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