

The REST API is now versioned. For more information, see "About API versioning."

Gitignore

Use the REST API to get `.gitignore` templates that can be used to ignore files and directories.

About gitignore [↗](#)

When you create a new repository on GitHub.com via the API, you can specify a [.gitignore template](#) to apply to the repository upon creation. You can use the REST API to get `.gitignore` templates from the GitHub Enterprise Cloud [.gitignore repository](#).

You can use the `application/vnd.github.raw` custom media type when getting a gitignore template. For more information, see "[Media types](#)."

Get all gitignore templates [↗](#)

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List all templates available to pass as an option when [creating a repository](#).

HTTP response status codes for "Get all gitignore templates"

| Status code | Description |
|-------------|--------------|
| 200 | OK |
| 304 | Not modified |

Code samples for "Get all gitignore templates"

GET /gitignore/templates

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```
curl -L \ -H "Accept: application/vnd.github+json" \ -H "Authorization: Bearer <YOUR-TOKEN>" \ -H "X-GitHub-API-Version: 2022-11-28" \ https://api.github.com/gitignore/templates
```

Response

Example response

Response schema

Status: 200

```
[ "Actionscript", "Android", "AppceleratorTitanium", "Autotools", "Bancha", "C", "C++" ]
```

Get a gitignore template

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The API also allows fetching the source of a single template. Use the raw [media type](#) to get the raw contents.

Parameters for "Get a gitignore template"

Headers

accept string

Setting to `application/vnd.github+json` is recommended.

Path parameters

name string **Required**

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GET /gitignore/templates/{name}

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```

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Response schema

Status: 200

```
{ "name": "C", "source": "# Object files\n\n Libraries\n*.lib\n*.a\n\n# Shared objects (inc. Windows DLLs)\n*.dll\n*.so\n*.so.*\n*.dylib\n\n# Executables\n*.exe\n*.out\n*.app\n" }
```

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