Restoring a deleted repository

In this article

You can restore deleted repositories to recover their contents.

> **Who can use this feature**
> Enterprise owners can restore a deleted repository.

About repository restoration 🔗

Usually, if someone deletes a repository, it will be available on disk for 90 days and can be restored via the site admin dashboard. For more information, see "[Site admin dashboard](#)."

Unless a legal hold is in effect on a user or organization, after 90 days the repository is purged and deleted forever.

If a repository was part of a fork network when it was deleted, the restored repository will be detached from the original fork network.

It can take up to an hour after a repository is deleted before that repository is available for restoration.

Restoring a repository will not restore release attachments or team permissions. Issues that are restored will not be labeled.

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1. From an administrative account on GitHub Enterprise Server, in the upper-right corner of any page, click 🚀.

2. If you're not already on the "Site admin" page, in the upper-left corner, click **Site admin**.

3. Under "Search users, organizations, teams, repositories, gists, and applications", type the name of the user or organization in the text field. Then to the right of the field, click **Search**.

4 In the search results, click the name of the user or organization.

5 In the 🖵 **Repositories** section, click the 🗑 **Deleted repositories** link.

6 Find the repository you want to restore in the deleted repositories list, then to the right of the repository name click **Restore**.

7 To confirm you would like to restore the named repository, click **Restore**.

Further reading 🔗

- "[Placing a legal hold on a user or organization](#)"