

# Default environment variables for your codespace

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GitHub sets default environment variables for every codespace. Commands run in codespaces can create, read, and modify environment variables.

**Note:** Environment variables are case-sensitive.

## List of default environment variables

Environment variable	Description
<code>CODESPACE_NAME</code>	The name of the codespace For example, <code>octocat-literate-space-parakeet-mlD5</code>
<code>CODESPACES</code>	Always <code>true</code> while in a codespace
<code>GIT_COMMITTER_EMAIL</code>	The email for the "author" field of future <code>git</code> commits.
<code>GIT_COMMITTER_NAME</code>	The name for the "committer" field of future <code>git</code> commits.
<code>GITHUB_CODESPACES_PORT_FORWARDING_DOMAIN</code>	Returns the domain of the GitHub Codespaces forwarded port. For example, <code>app.github.dev</code> .
<code>GITHUB_API_URL</code>	Returns the API URL. For example, <code>https://api.github.com</code> .
<code>GITHUB_GRAPHQL_URL</code>	Returns the GraphQL API URL. For example, <code>https://api.github.com/graphql</code> .
<code>GITHUB_REPOSITORY</code>	The owner and repository name. For example, <code>octocat/Hello-World</code> .
<code>GITHUB_SERVER_URL</code>	Returns the URL of the GitHub server. For example, <code>https://github.com</code> .
<code>GITHUB_TOKEN</code>	A signed auth token representing the user in the codespace. You can use this to make

authenticated calls to the GitHub API. For more information, see "[Security in GitHub Codespaces](#)."

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`GITHUB_USER`

The name of the user that initiated the codespace. For example, `octocat` .

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