

# Forking and cloning gists

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Gists are actually Git repositories, which means that you can fork or clone any gist, even if you aren't the original author. You can also view a gist's full commit history, including diffs.



## Forking gists

Each gist indicates which forks have activity, making it easy to find interesting changes from others.

## Cloning gists

If you want to make local changes to a gist and push them up to the web, you can clone a gist and make commits the same as you would with any Git repository. For more information, see "[Cloning a repository](#)."

To clone a gist, select the Embed dropdown menu, then click Clone via HTTPS or Clone via SSH.

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☒ **Embed**  
 Embed this gist in your website.

**Share**  
 Copy sharable link for this gist.

**Clone via HTTPS**  
 Clone with Git or checkout with SVN using the repository's web address.

**Clone via SSH**  
 Clone with an SSH key and passphrase from your GitHub settings.

 Learn more about clone URLs

## Viewing gist commit history

To view a gist's full commit history, click the "Revisions" tab at the top of the gist.

You will see a full commit history for the gist with diffs.

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1 changed file with 1 addition and 1 deletion.

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+ A simple demo showing how to make revisions on a GitHub gist</div></div>

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