Creating a project

In this article

Learn how to create an organization or user project.

Projects are an adaptable collection of items that stay up-to-date with GitHub data. Your projects can track issues, pull requests, and ideas that you note down. You can add custom fields and create views for specific purposes.

You can also choose to use an existing project as a template and copy the views and custom fields to a new project. For more information, see "Copying an existing project."

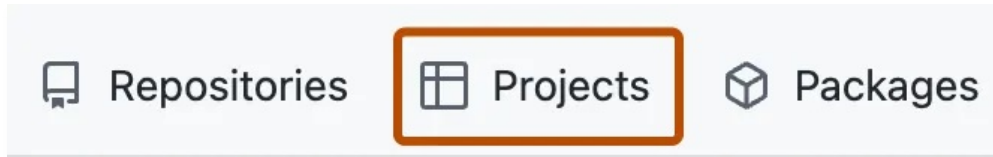## Creating a project ⚭

Creating an organization project ⚭

Organization projects can track issues and pull requests from the organization's repositories. You can also set projects in your organization as templates that other organization members can then use as the base for the projects they create. For more information, see "Managing project templates in your organization."
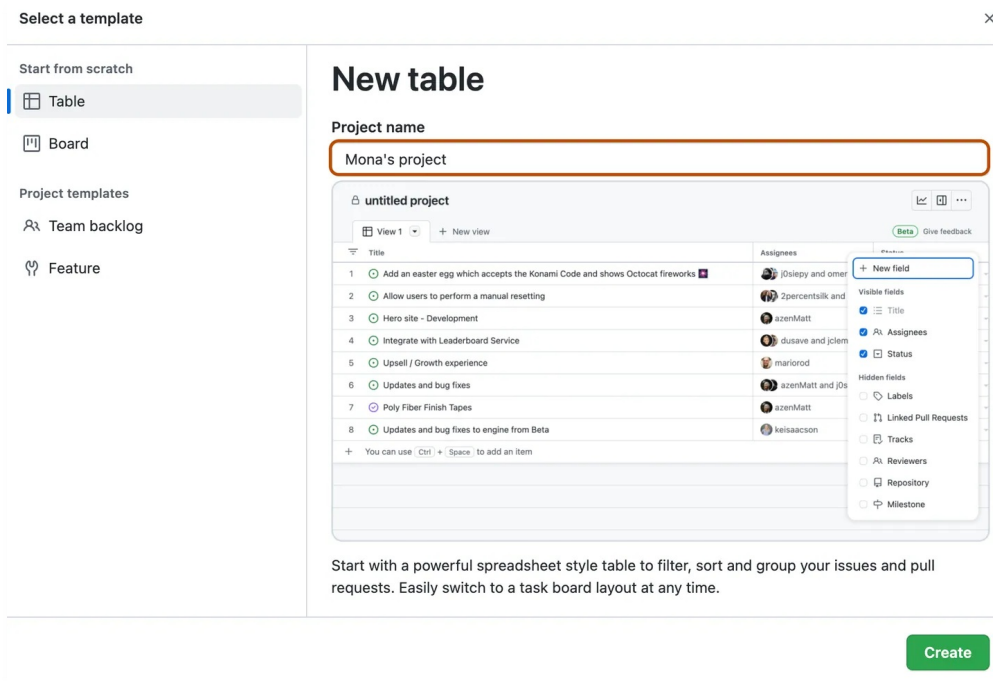
1. In the top right corner of GitHub Enterprise Server, click your profile photo, then click **Your organizations**.
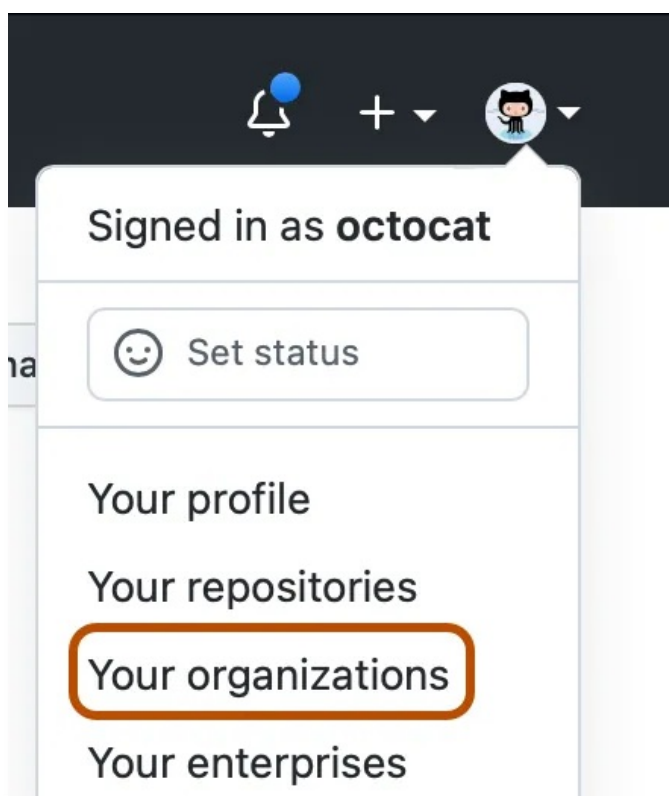
2 Click the name of your organization.

3 Under your organization name, click ⊞ **Projects**.

4 Click **New project**.

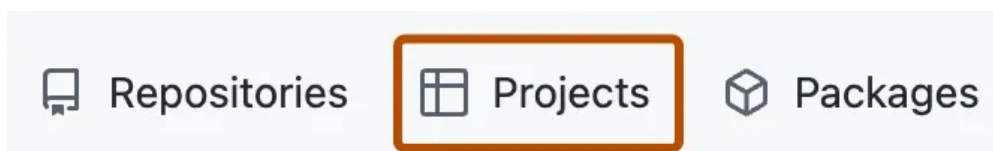5 Optionally, in the text box under "Project name", type a name for your new project.

6 Click a built-in template, a template from your organization or, to start with an empty project, click **Table** or **Board**.
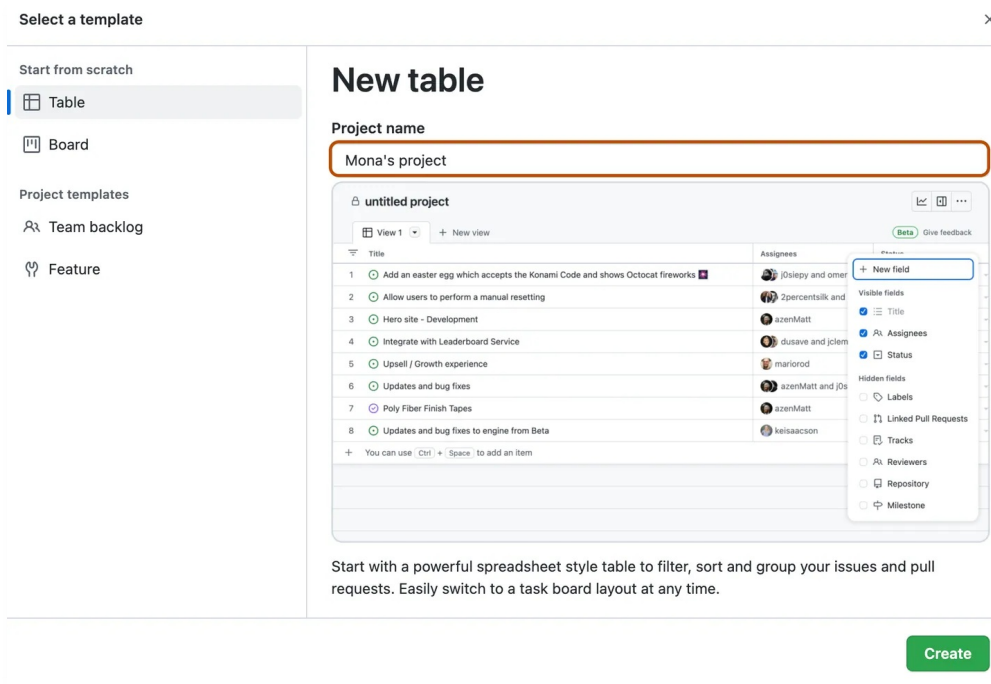
7 Click **Create**.

Creating a user project 🔗

User projects can track issues and pull requests from the repositories owned by your personal account.

1 In the top right corner of GitHub Enterprise Server, click your profile photo, then click **Your profile**.

2 On your profile, click ⊞ **Projects**.

3 Click **New project**.

4 Optionally, in the text box under "Project name", type a name for your new project.
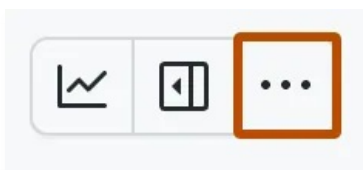

5 Click a template or, to start with an empty project, click **Table** or **Board**.

6 Click **Create**.

Updating your project description and README 🔗

You can set your project's description and README to share the purpose of your project, provide instructions on how to use the project, and include any relevant links.

1 Navigate to your project.

2 In the top-right, click ••• to open the menu.

3 In the menu, click ⚙ **Settings** to access the project settings.

4 To add a short description to your project, under "Add a description", type your description in the text box and click **Save**.

5 To update your project's README, under "README", type your content in the text box.

    ○ You can format your README using Markdown. For more information, see "[Basic writing and formatting syntax](#)."

    ○ To toggle between the text box and a preview of your changes, click ⊙ or ✎.

6 To save changes to your README, click **Save**.

You can view and make quick changes to your project description and README by navigating to your project and clicking ⬚ in the top right.

Further reading 🔗

- "[Adding your project to a repository](#)"
- "[Adding items to your project](#)"
- "[Changing the layout of a view](#)"